### THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 12th November 2023

# ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Let my prayer come into your presence. Incline your ear to my cry for help, O Lord.

# GREETING

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. The Lord be with you. And with your spirit.

# PENITENTIAL ACT

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words. in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

May almighty God have mercy on us..... Amen.

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

# THE GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us: you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,

you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

# **OPENING PRAYER**

Almighty and merciful God, graciously keep from us all adversity, so that, unhindered in mind and body alike, we may pursue in freedom of heart the things that are yours. Through our Lord Jesus Christ.....

# LITURGY OF THE WORD

# FIRST READING Wisdom 6: 12 -16

# A reading from the book of Wisdom

Wisdom is bright, and does not grow dim. By those who love her she is readily seen, and found by those who look for her. Quick to anticipate those who desire her,

she makes herself known to them. Watch for her early and you will have no

trouble: you will find her sitting at your gates.

Even to think about her is understanding fully grown;

be on the alert for her and anxiety will quickly leave you.

She herself walks about looking for those who are worthy of her and graciously shows herself to them as

they go.

in every thought of theirs coming to meet them

> The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

# RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps. 62:2-8

*R.* For you my soul is thirsting, O God, my God.

1. O God, you are my God, for you I long; for you my soul is thirsting. My body pines for you like a dry,

weary land without water. [R] 2. So I gaze on you in the sanctuary to see your strength and your glory. For your love is better than life.

my lips will speak your praise. [R] 3. So I will bless you all my life, in your name I will lift up my hands. My soul shall be filled as with a banquet, my mouth shall praise you with joy. [R]

4. On my bed I remember you. On you I muse through the night for you have been my help; in the shadow of your wings I rejoice. [R]

# SECOND READING

### 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 (\*shorter form 4:13-14) A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians.

\*We want you to be quite certain, brothers, about those who have died, to make sure that you do not grieve about them, like the other people who have no hope. We believe that Jesus died and rose again. and that it will be the same for those who have died in Jesus: God will bring them with him.\* We can tell you this from the Lord's own teaching, that any of us who are left alive until the Lord's coming will not have any advantage over those who have died. At the trumpet of God, the voice of the archangel will call out the command and the Lord himself will come down from heaven: those who have died in Christ will be the first to rise, and then those of us who are still alive will be taken up in the clouds, together with them, to meet the Lord in the air. So we shall stay with the Lord for ever. With such thoughts as these you should comfort one another.

Alleluia, alleluia! Stay awake and stand ready, because you do not know the hour when the Son of Man is coming. Alleluia!

GOSPEL Matthew 25: 1-13

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Jesus told this parable to his disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven will be like this:

Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish and five were sensible: the foolish ones did take their lamps, but they brought no oil, whereas the sensible ones took flasks of oil as well as their lamps. The bridegroom was late, and they all grew drowsy and fell asleep. But at midnight there was a cry, "The bridegroom is here! Go out and meet him." At this, all those bridesmaids woke up and trimmed their lamps, and the foolish ones said to the sensible ones, "Give us some of your oil: our lamps are going out." But they replied, "There may not be enough for us and for you; you had better go to those who sell it and buy some for yourselves." They had gone off to buy it when the bridegroom arrived. Those who were ready went in with him to the wedding hall and the door was closed. The other bridesmaids arrived later. "Lord, Lord," they said "open the door for us." But he replied, "I tell you solemnly, I do not know you." So stay awake, because you do not know either the day or the hour.'

### The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

# NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,

begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven.

All bow for following three lines: and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,

and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the

right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory

to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy,

catholic and apostolic Church.

I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

# LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Pray brothers and sisters, ..... May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.



### THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME <u>12th November 2023</u>

# PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Look with favour, we pray, O Lord, upon the sacrificial gifts offered here, that, celebrating in mystery the Passion of your Son, we may honour it with loving devotion. Through Christ our Lord.

## EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you. And with your spirit. Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right and just.

# SANCTUS

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

# AFTER THE CONSECRATION

The mystery of faith. Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.

# INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

Behold the Lamb of God, ..... Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed

# COMMUNION ANTIPHON

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose, near restful waters he leads me.

# PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Nourished by this sacred gift, O Lord, we give you thanks and beseech your mercy, that, by the pouring forth of your Spirit, the grace of integrity may endure in those your heavenly power has entered.

# CONCLUDING RITE

The Lord be with you. And with your spirit.

May the blessing of almighty God, the Father, and the Son, 
♣ and the Holy Spirit, come down on you and remain with you for ever. Amen

Go in peace. Thanks be to God.





So stay awake,



The parable of the bridesmaids is unique to Matthew. In firstcentury Palestine it was custom for the bridegroom to be Focus escorted to the home of the bride by the bridesmaids. Then the bridesmaids would escort the couple to the house where the wedding and the party would take place. We hear of the different levels of preparedness of the bridesmaids, those who took extra oil for the lamps and those who "took no oil with them". One can speculate as to what the oil in the lamps represents: the inner wisdom we know we should trust but are afraid to, that deep awareness of God's indwelling presence, a sense of fulfilment that one receives from doing acts of justice and mercy? The "foolish" were lacking in evidence of such deeds and so, the Lord does not know them. But to hear that they were then "shut out" is horrifying; the disappointment can be felt off the page.

Sometimes, we too find ourselves in this "foolish" position, and when that happens the challenge is not to let ourselves close down. It is during such times we have the opportunity to gain some insight or wisdom. We learn much from these experiences, unpleasant though they may be. If this parable leaves us confused, even a bit shaken, then, good! This is the parable doing its thing. Jesus was certainly not a boring teacher and at this stage of the Gospel, as he is about to be arrested, it is not surprising that he is warning those around him to have enough oil for their lamps. What might the oil in the lamp represent for you? How can you ensure a steady supply?



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Through Christ our Lord.





# rocus on sunday

We are called to follow Jesus. We are called in a way that will prepare us for heaven and our eternal life of friendship with God.



### Jane Mellett

Adapted from "The Deep End – A Journey through the Sunday Gospels in the Year of Matthew" (Messenger Publications, Dublin, 2002).

Jesus' Story

Fr. Liam Hickey

Sarah's mother died. Her little child said to me "My mammy now has new breath in Heaven." Jesus promises us happiness in Heaven. We will be gathered together in the peace and love of God our Father.

| New Ross Parish, Church of St. Mary & St. Michael  |  |  |  |  |
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| Parish Office Opening Hours: Monday to Friday 10.30am to 2.00pm. Closed Holy Days & Bank Holidays. Wide range in stock of Mass Cards,<br>General Cards & Gift Ideas for all occasions. Mass Cads are also available in Nugent's Newsagents, Cooney's & Ryan's Funeral Homes. |  |  |  |  |
| C  | Parish Office<br>051 421 348<br>Priest on Duty | Parish Mobile<br>087 1212 707<br>(Text Alert Only)   | www.   | info@ Visit us on<br>Facebook Ross Parish  |
| 051 421214 (24 Hr) Volume 42. No. 46   |  |  |  |  |
| Radio Mass 104.7Fm & LIVE STREAM ON PARISH WEBSITE.<br>All 8.00am Masses are in Mount Carmel Monastery Chapel  |  |  |  | Sanctuary Lamps Intentions:<br>Available @ €10.00 per week.<br>Commencing Saturday @ 10.00am.  |
| Date   | Time   |  |  | Our Lady's (Left):   |
| Sat 11th Nov<br>2023   | 5.00pm   | Billy Dwyer, Charleton Hill  | 1st Anniversary  | Deceased members of the Roche &<br>Ronan families - RIP<br><u>Altar (Centre):</u><br>Lila & Billy Ronan, Tralee & New Ross<br>- Wedding Anniversary Remembrance<br>& RIP<br><u>St. Joseph's (Right)</u> :<br>Tommy Leacy - RIP |
|  | 7.00pm   | Polish Community Mass  | I  |  |
| Sun 12th<br>Nov - Thirty-<br>Second<br>Sunday in<br>Ordinary<br>Time   | 8.00am   | Peg & Peadar Maher, Knockmullen  | 5th & 40th Anniversaries   |  |
|  | 9.00pm   | Maureen Fleming, Chambersland &<br>deceased members of the Fleming & Hayden<br>families  | 2nd Anniversary &<br>Remembrance   |  |
|  | 10.00am  | Patrick (Paddy) Murphy, Mount Carmel   | 1st Anniversary  |  |
|  | 12.00 Noon                                     | Armistice Day; Remembering all the victims of World War 1  | Remembrance  |  |
| Mon 13th<br>Nov  | 8.00am   | Pious 4  |  |  |
|  | 9.30am   |  | y is recited every morning in the Parish Church from Monday<br>y, however on the 1 <sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month the Novena to<br>f Fatima is held @ 9.15am. |  |
|  | 10.00am  | Ned & Eileen Larkin  | Anniversaries  |  |
| Tues 14th  | 8.00am   | Intentions of the People of the Parish   | Special Intentions   |  |
| Nov  | 10.00am  | Kathleen Kehoe, Follyhouse Lane  | Anniversary  |  |
|  | 10.00 am -<br>8.00pm                           | Eucharistic Adoration  |  |  |
| Wed 15th   | 8.00am   | Margaret Foley (nee Rowe), Broadway  | Recently Deceased  | A Company of the second  |
| Nov  | 10.00am  | Andrew & Margaret Cullen, Victoria Place   | Anniversaries  | IN NOVEMBER WE REMEMBER:   |
| Thurs 16th   | 8.00am   | Sr. Mary Bridgid, Mount Carmel   | 2nd Anniversary  | In Remembrance of  |
| Nov  | 10.00am  | Deceased members of the New Ross,<br>Brandon & Viking Bridge Clubs   | Remembrance  | your loved ones<br>please visit our sacred space in the  |
|  | 3.00 -<br>4.00pm                               | Divine Mercy Holy Hour for Vocations & Religious Life in Blessed Sacra-<br>ment Chapel<br>Wexford General Hospital is holding their annual Service of<br>Remembrance at Clonard Church |  | Parish Church, where you can light a candle, write their name on the Pious   |
|  | 7.30pm   |  |  | List and say a prayer.   |
| Fri 17th Nov   | 8.00am   | Pious 5  |  | EUCHARISTIC ADORATION  |
|  | 10.00am  | Phil Fortune, Shanbough<br>Nancy Byrne (nee O'Rourke), Camblin   | 3rd Anniversary<br>Months Mind   |  |
| Sat 18th Nov   | 10.00am  | Parish Mass Association  |  | 111  |
|  | 5.00pm   | Jim Holden, Wellingtonbridge & New Ross  | 1st Anniversary  |  |
|  | 7.00pm   | Polish Community Mass  |  |  |
| Sun 19th<br>Nov -<br>Thirty-Third<br>Sunday in<br>Ordinary<br>Time   | 8.00am   | Deceased Carmelites family & friends   | Remembrance  |  |
|  | 9.00am   | Tommy & Molly Connolly, Glenmore   | Anniversaries  |  |
|  | 10.00am  | Sr. Paschal O'Sullivan R.S.M., Sisters of<br>Mercy, Southknock   | 1st Anniversary  |  |
|  | 12.00 Noon                                     | Pat Lyng, Irishtown  | Months Mind  | Every Tuesday following 10am Mass<br>until 8pm<br>New Ross Parish Church   |

# PARISH INFORMATION.

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### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL - NEW ROSS: 085 8313073

Radio & Live Stream Mass: 104.7FM & New Ross Parish Website Live Stream, for all Masses including Funeral Masses excluding 8.00am in Mount Carmel Monastery Chapel.

Mass Bookings: We are currently taking mass bookings up to an including April 2024.

Next Weeks Readings: THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME -Prov 31: 10-13, 19-20, 30-31. Ps 127: 1-5, R/ c 1. I Th 5: 1-6, Mt 25: 14-30.

Confessions: Saturdays after 10.00am Mass & before Vigil Mass. Mon - Fri on request after 10.00am Mass. Please notify the priest before Mass in the Sacristy.

Meals on Wheels: Avail of our high quality meals available five days a week. To order just call 051-445711, St. Aidan Centre, Cross St. To maintain this valuable service, funding is greatly appreciated at any time. To donate € 10.00 on a monthly basis or on a once off payment / donation, please contact the Manager on 051-445711.

Safeguarding Representative: Mairin Jackson - Contact No: (051) 421348 For any gueries in relation to working with children or adolescence within our parish please contact the above

Bethany Bereavement Support: If you need support please ring 087 3846577. Drop in Centre in St. Michaels Pastoral Centre on the first Thursday of every month @ 11.00am.

Weekly Collection and Supporting the Parish: Collections 5th November 2023 @ € 22910.01 (Envelopes No. 197 & 2nd Collection combined). You can donate via The Ferns Diocesan Website (www.ferns.ie) by clicking the big pink button. Should you wish to become a regular Parish Contributor, please contact the Parish Office. We can also accept donations over the telephone. Please ring the Parish Office. Thank you for the support. Please make all cheques payable to St. Mary & St. Michael Parish Church New Ross.

St. Michael's Pastoral Centre: Available for Parish based activities, please contact the Parish office.

Intentions for the living: Intentions for the living will be announced as "Special Intentions" unless the person who the intention is for signs the GDPR Regulation Slip. Please advise at time of booking.

Certificate Requests: Request forms are available from the Parish Office. Certificate fees at € 5.00 each. Photographic ID is required for the candidate including Photographic ID for the person who has been authorised by you to collect it. Collection on Fridays only.

PRIEST ON DUTY (051) 421214: We are anxious to visit those who cannot celebrate Mass with us due to illness, aged or infirm. Arrangements can be made to receive the sacraments at home on the first Friday of every month by calling the Parish Office.

LECTIO DIVINA: Come and join our Group every Wednesday morning at 0.45am in the Pastoral Centre and experience God in our lives through the Sunday Gospel

Legion of Mary: Meetings every Tuesday evening @ 7.30pm in St. Michaels Pastoral Centre. Contact: Alex Doyle, Tel: 087 273 8703.

Radio Maria Ireland: Radio Maria Ireland is an Irish run Catholic Talk Radio Station. Prayer, Catechesis, uplifting music, Talks, interviews and Testimonies all Commercial free - Listen via Free App "RADIO MARIA IRELAND", streaming on www.radiomaria.ie or via. PHONE - get live radio feed by calling +353 (0) 1 437 3277 (no extra charges apply). Please join our growing faith Family!

Irish Catholic Newspaper: Available in the Parish Office @ € 3.00 each.

Church Carpark: In the interest of safety we request Parking to take place in designated areas ONLY.

Parish Office / Shop in Legion of Mary Pastoral Centre: All items for sale are Blessed on the First Friday of every month.

SumUp Parish Office can now take card payments over the telephone.

New Ross Parish Community strives to be a welcoming, life-giving PEOPLE, nourished by FAITH, WORSHIP of God and SERVICE of all in the example of Jesus Christ.

Give the men and women you call the light to understand Your gift and the love to follow always in the footsteps of your Son. Amen'

between 2.00 - 4.00pm Parish Church @ 9.00pm.

Together.

ANNIVERSARY PRAYERS: We remember & pray for the souls of Tommy Leacy (Snr.), Charleton Hill, Tony Ahern (17th Anniversary), Ard Mhicil, Sheila Moriarty, Mount Elliott, James Doyle (Snr.), Nunnery Lane, Martin & Molly Murphy, Ryleen & Mick Murphy, Dononore, who's anniversaries occur around this time.

**BAPTISMS:** We welcome into our Christian Community Cillian Brady, Bewley Street, Alfie Fenlon, Bellevue Heights, Jane Carrano Hennessy, Wangaui, New Zealand, Deon McWhite, Chambersland Close, Sean Og Ring, Mountross & Charlie Wall, Wexford Street, who were baptised recently in our Parish Church. Baptisms take place on the 1st Saturday and 3rd Sunday each month @ 1.00pm. Minimum two weeks' notice is required and a maximum of two candidates per booking. To book your child's baptism, please contact the parish office. Bookings are secured on receipt of baptismal booking forms with a copy of the candidate's Birth Certificate and Photographic ID for the Guardian.

Anam Cara Southeast is holding their November Parent Evening in the Brandon House Hotel, New Ross, Wexford Y34 KR62, on Tuesday 14th November from 7.20pm to 9pm.

This informal and gentle evening gives us a chance to meet other parnts, in safe and comfortable place, who understand the milestones and challenges of our grief and loss.







Sunday 3rd December 2023: 10.00am Mass will be live on South East Radio. Friday 8th December 2023: Feast of the Immaculate Conception. Mass @ 5.00pm Thursday 7th December 2023 in Parish Church. Mass @ 8.00am in Mount Carmel, 10.00am & 1.05pm Friday 8th December in Parish Church. Parish Office closed.

Monday 18th December 2023: Reconciliation Service @ 5.00pm

Friday 22nd December 2023: Parish Office closes for the Christmas period @ 2.00pm and will re-open on Tuesday 2nd Jan 2024 @ 10.30am.

Saturday 23rd December 2023: Mass in Parish Church@ 10.00am & 5.00pm. "Gloria In Excelsis Deo" Oh Come let us Adore Him Event from 1.00pm - 4.00pm. Confessions

Sunday 24th December 2023: Christmas Eve. Mass in Mount Carmel @ 8.00am & 8.00pm. Mass in Parish Church @ 9.00am, 10.00am, 12.00 Noon, 5.00pm & 7.00pm. Polish Mass in

Monday 25th December 2023: Christmas Day. Mass in Mount Carmel @ 8.00am. Mass in Parish Church @ 9.00am, 10.00am & 12.00 Noon.

Saturday 9th March 2024: Confirmations for pupils of Bunscoil Ris.

Saturday 25th May 2024: First Communions for pupils of Bunscoil Nic Amhlaidh & Educate

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** We pray for the soul of Margaret Flanagan (nee Carroll), Ballincollig, Cork & New Ross, Lynda Dowland (nee Petty), Moyle Valley, Paddy Murphy (Snr.), Ramsgrange, Peggy Stafford (nee Wade), St. James' Villas, Campile, who passed recently. May she rest in peace.

WEDDINGS: Congratulation to Elenna Somers, Ard Na Greine & Daryl McGrath, Waterford who were married recently in our Parish Church.

Should you wish to have a loved one included in this section, please contact the Parish Office with the details by the previous Wednesday before 2.00pm.

Monthly catholic discussion group THE PATRICIANS topic Matt Talbot, on Wednesday 29th of November 2023 @ 7pm - 9pm in St. Micheals Pastoral Centre, Room 3, organised by Legion of Mary, refreshments served. All welcome.

### TOTUS TUUS SCRIPTURE CONFERENCE 2023 IS LIVE ON RADIO MARIA IRELAND ON SATURDAY 18TH NOVEMBER FROM 2PM

Speakers include FR. JOHN RYAN (CLOYNE DIOCESE), FR. LUKE DEMASI (HOME OF THE MOTHER), FR. JOHN MCENEANEY (WATERFORD & LISMORE DIOCESE), FRÁNCES HOGAN (SCRIPTURE SCHOLAR). Radio Maria Ireland can be listened to by downloading the Radio Maria Ireland APP, Saorview Channel 210 or listen live at (01)4373277

Anam Cara Supports <u>all bereaved parents, regardless of the age of their</u> child or the circumstances of their death.

