ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

The Lord said: I think thoughts of peace and not of affliction.
You will call upon me, and I will answer you, and I will lead back your captives

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.

from every place.

PENITENTIAL ACT

You were sent to heal the contrite of heart: Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

You came to call sinners: Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.

You are seated at the right hand of the Father to intercede for us:
Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

May almighty God have mercy on us....

Amen.

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

Grant us, we pray, O Lord our God, the constant gladness of being devoted to you, for it is full and lasting happiness to serve with constancy the author of all that is good. Through our Lord Jesus Christ....

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Proverbs 31: 10-13.19-20. 30-31.

A reading from the Book of Proverbs.

A perfect wife - who can find her?

She is far beyond the price of pearls.
Her husband's heart has confidence in her, from her he will derive no little profit.
Advantage and not hurt she brings him all the days of her life.

She is always busy with wool and with flax she does her work with eager hands. She sets her hands to the distaff, her fingers grasp the spindle. She holds out her hand to the poor, she opens her arms to the needy.

Charm is deceitful, and beauty empty; the woman who is wise is the one to praise.

Give her a share in what her hands have worked for, and let her works tell her praises at the city gates.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps. 127: 1 - 5

R. O blessed are those who fear the Lord.

O blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways!

By the labour of your hands you shall eat

You will be happy and prosper.

- 2. Your wife like a fruitful vine in the heart of your house; your children like shoots of the olive, around your table.
- 3. Indeed thus shall be blessed the man who fears the Lord.
 May the Lord bless you from Zion in a happy Jerusalem all the days of your life.

SECOND READING 1 Thessalonians 5: 1-6

A reading from the first letter of St. Paul to the Thessalonians.

You will not be expecting us to write anything to you, brothers, about 'times and seasons', since you know very well that the Day of the Lord is going to come like a thief in the night. It is when people are saying, 'How quiet and peaceful it is' that the worst suddenly happens, as suddenly as labour pains come on a pregnant woman; and there will be no way for anybody to evade it.

But it is not as if you live in the dark, my brothers, for that Day to overtake you like a thief. No, you are all sons of light and sons of the day: we do not belong to the night or to darkness, so we should not go on sleeping, as everyone else does, but stay wide awake and sober.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! Even if you have to die, says the Lord, keep faithful, and I will give you the crown of life. Alleluia!



GOSPEL *Matthew 25: 14 - 30*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew. (*Shorter from in italics)

Jesus spoke this parable to his disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven is like a man on his way abroad who summoned his servants and entrusted his property to them. To one he gave five talents, to another two, to a third one; each in proportion to his ability. Then he set out. The man who had received the five talents promptly went and traded with them and made five more. The man who

had received two made two more in the same way. But the man who had received one went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. *Now a long time after, the master of those servants came back and went through his accounts with them. The man who had received the five talents came forward bringing five more. "Sir", he said you entrusted me with five talents; here are five more that I have made."* His master said to him, "Well done, good and faithful servant; you have shown you can be faithful in small things, I will trust you with greater; come and join in your master's happiness." Next the man with the two talents came forward. "Sir," he said "you entrusted me with two talents; here are two more that I have made." His master said to him, "Well done, good and faithful servant; you have shown you can be faithful in small things, I will trust you with greater; come and join in your master's happiness." Last came forward the man who had the one talent. "Sir," said he "I had heard you were a hard man, reaping where you have not sown and gathering where you have not scattered; so I was afraid, and I went off and hid your talent in the ground. Here it is; it was yours, you have it back." But his master answered him, "You wicked and lazy servant! So you knew that I reap where I have not sown and gather where I have not scattered? Well then, you should have deposited my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have recovered my capital with interest. So now, take the talent from him and give it to the man who has the five talents. For to everyone who has will be given more, and he will have more than enough; but from the man who has not, even what he has will be taken away. As for this goodfor-nothing servant, throw him out into the dark, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth."

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

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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 anostolic 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.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Grant, O Lord, we pray, that what we offer in the sight of your majesty may obtain for us the grace of being devoted to you and gain us the prize of everlasting happiness. 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.

<u>SANCTUS</u>

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.

We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

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

To be near God is my happiness, to place my hope in God the Lord.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We have partaken of the gifts of this sacred mystery, humbly imploring, O Lord, that what your Son commanded us to do in memory of him may bring us growth in charity. Through Christ our Lord.

World Day of the Poor

We find today an invitation from the gospel to put all our talents at the service of God and of his kingdom.





The context for today's gospel is the Last Judgement scene which immediately follows, "I was hungry and you gave me to eat, welcome into the Kingdom." We have all been given talents, in varying degrees, our intelligence, the skills we have acquired,

our health, our limited time on earth. Some may have ten talents, some five, some one. Those talents were not given to us to bury in the ground, to possess just for our own personal advantage, We are asked to use whatever gifts we have been given in the service of those in need, those who are poor and unwanted. The greater the gifts we have been given, the more responsibility we have to use them.

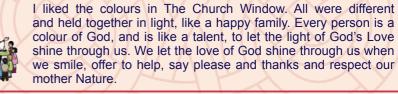
Unfortunately, our culture often blames the poor for being poor. They are often considered to be lazy, untrustworthy, or irresponsible and therefore undeserving. But we can hardly blame the 89,000 children who are living in poverty in Ireland today for being poor!

Gratitude is the only solid foundation for our relationship with God. How can we repay God for all that God has given to us? God needs nothing from us. But God's children do. We express our gratitude to God by sharing our talents and gifts in the service of God's children who are in need, the poor, lonely, homeless, or unwanted. We are only stewards of the gifts we have been given, called to use them responsibly in the light of the needs of others.

Fr. Peter McVerry

Jesus' Story

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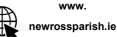
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		ass 104.7Fm & LIVE STREAM ON PARISH WEBSITE. Im Masses are in Mount Carmel Monastery Chapel	LIVE
Date	Time		
Sat 18th Nov 2023	5.00pm	Jim Holden, Wellingtonbridge & New Ross	1st Anniversary
	7.00pm	Polish Community Mass	
Sun 19th Nov - Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time	8.00am	Deceased Carmelites family & friends	Remembrance
	9.00pm	Tommy & Molly Connolly, Glenmore	Anniversaries
	10.00am	Sr. Paschal O'Sullivan R.S.M., Sisters of Mercy, Southknock	1st Anniversary
	12.00 Noon	Pat Lyng, Irishtown	Months Mind
Mon 20th Nov	8.00am	Pious 6	
	9.30am	The Rosary is recited every morning in the Parish Church from Monday to Saturday, however on the 1 st Saturday of the month the Novena to Our Lady of Fatima is held @ 9.15am.	
	10.00am	Joan Byrne, Coventry, UK, formerly High Hill	1st Anniversary
Tues 21st Nov	8.00am	Intentions of the People of the Parish	
	10.00am	Shinade Cahill, Brandon Park, formerly London	2nd Anniversary
	10.00 am - 8.00pm	Eucharistic Adoration	
Wed 22nd Nov	8.00am	Margaret Foley (nee Rowe), Broadway	Recently
			Deceased
	10.00am	Julia Kavanagh, Fr. Cullen Terrace & May O'Shea, Croan, Dunnamaggin, Kilkenny	Anniversaries
Thurs 23rd	8.00am	Catherine & James Murphy, Ballyrue	Anniversaries
Nov	10.00am	Paddy, May & Maura Caulfield, Ballykeeroge, Campile	Anniversaries
	3.00 - 4.00pm	Divine Mercy Holy Hour for Vocations & Religious Life in Blessed Sacrament Chapel	
Fri 24th Nov	8.00am	Kitty & Pat McDonald, William Street	Anniversaries
	10.00am	Patrick O'Brien, William Street	Anniversary
Sat 25th Nov	10.00am	Parish Mass Association	
	5.00pm	Ellen (Eileen) Merrigan (nee Sheehan),	7th Anniversary
		The Bungalows, Cross Street	
	7.00pm	Polish Community Mass	
Sun 26th Nov - Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the	8.00am	Elizabeth & Michael Martin, Arnestown	Anniversaries
	9.00am	Tom Power, Wexford Street	Anniversary
	10.00am	Annie Doyle, Carnagh	Anniversary
Universe	12.00 Noon	John & Kathleen Culleton, Clongeen	Anniversaries



Sanctuary Lamp **Intentions:** Available @ €10.00 / week Commencing Saturday @ 10.00am.

Our Lady's (Left): Maureen & Tommy Jefford - RIP

Altar (Centre): Colin Bradley -Anniversary St. Joseph's (Right): **Anniversaries**



hursday 30th November 2023: Secondary chools Remembrance Prayer Service @ 2.45pm Parish Church.

unday 3rd December 2023: 10.00am Mass will e live on South East Radio.

riday 8th December 2023: Feast of the nmaculate Conception. Mass @ 5.00pm hursday 7th December 2023 in Parish Church. lass @ 8.00am in Mount Carmel, 10.00am & .05pm Friday 8th December in Parish Church. arish Office closed.

londay 18th December 2023: Reconciliation ervice @ 5.00pm

riday 22nd December 2023: Parish Office oses for the Christmas period @ 2.00pm and ill re-open on Tuesday 2nd Jan 2024 @ 0.30am.

aturday 23rd December 2023: Mass in Parish hurch@ 10.00am & 5.00pm. "Gloria In Excelsis eo" Oh Come let us Adore Him Event from .00pm - 4.00pm. Confessions between .00 - 4.00pm.

unday 24th December 2023: Christmas Eve. lass in Mount Carmel @ 8.00am & 8.00pm. lass in Parish Church @ 9.00am, 10.00am, 2.00 Noon, 5.00pm & 7.00pm. Polish Mass in arish Church @ 9.00pm

onday 25th December 2023: Christmas Day. lass in Mount Carmel @ 8.00am. Mass in arish Church @ 9.00am, 10.00am & 12.00

aturday 9th March 2024: Confirmations for upils of Bunscoil Ris.

aturday 25th May 2024: First Communions for upils of Bunscoil Nic Amhlaidh & Educate oaether



PARISH OFFICE / SHOP Christmas Thristmas stock now in, including a wide selection of Christmas Stock has Mass Cards, Novena Cards & Parish Christmas Greeting Cards & many other gift ideas for all your friends & family.

The 2024 Pioneer calendar is available from Pioneer centres and from Central Office (01 805 4226). The calendar is designed to offer spiritual support to families which are being impacted by alcohol and addiction. The calendar is priced at €5. Further information

PARISH INFORMATION.

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: Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe -Ez 34: 11-12, 15-17. Ps 22: 1-3, 5-6, R/ v 1. 1 Cor 15: 20-26, 28. Mt 25: 31-46.

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

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 12th November 2023 @ € 1,519.88 (Envelopes No. 173 & 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

Legion of Mary: Meetings every Tuesday evening @ 7.30pm in St. Michaels Pastoral Centre. Contact: Alex Dovle, 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

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.

Parish Office can now take card payments over the telephone.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

God our Father, we trust in your loving kindness. Bless our Diocese of Ferns with many priestly and religious vocations.

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'



RECENTLY DECEASED: We pray for the souls of John Allen, Charleton Hill, Jane O'Meara (nee Kehoe), Clonmel, Tipperary & New Ross & Richard (Dick) Duggan, Glenmore, Kilkenny, who passed recently. May they rest in

ANNIVERSARY PRAYERS: We remember & pray for the souls of John & Kathleen Culleton, Clongeen, Maurice Kehoe, Ryleen, Matt & Anna Fennell, Ard Na Greine, Anne Somers (nee Quigley) (4th Anniversary), The Maudlins, William Newport, Tomhaggard & Denis & Molly McLoughlin, Houghton Place, who's anniversaries occur around this time.

BAPTISMS: 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.

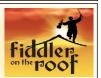
Should you wish to have a loved one included in this section, please contact the Parish Office with the details by the previous Wednesday before 2.00pm.



A Giant Christmas Market & Craft Fair will be held in Ramsgrange Community School on

Sunday 26th November, 2023 from 11am - 4pm It is expected that there will be up to 100 stands of local art, quality hand-made craft, decorations, pottery, baked goods, jewellery, toys and fancy goods and lots more so it promises to be a great occasion for people to visit and buy their Christmas gifts while also supporting local small businesses/ crafts people. Santa will also be there in his grotto and there will be lots of other fun activities for all family.

First Chorus Rehearsal for New Ross Musical Society Production of "Fiddler on The Roof" - Tuesday 28th November @7:30pm in CBS Secondary School, we would love to see as many as possible past members and as always new members very welcome.





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.

HISTORY NOTES - PART 1

The Irish Folklore Commission collected stories and lore via school children from all over Ireland during the 1930's. The following story came from New Ross:



"Many years ago in the town of New Ross, a great storm broke out over the town. At the time there was a mission on in the new Parish Church which had just been completed. The Missioner was preaching and there was dead silence in the church. The thunder could be heard rumbling and roaring overhead, and the lightening was flashing through the windows. Suddenly a flash of lightening hit the roof and tore a large portion of it away. The people inside were terror stricken and began to say prayers and bless themselves. Many of the people ran out of the church. The great storm occurred in the year 1902 in the month of February." Courtesy of Jim Sutton



IN NOVEMBER WE REMEMBER:

In Remembrance of your loved ones please visit our sacred space in the

Parish Church, where you can light a candle, write their name on the Pious List and say a Prayer. Thank you to the Bethany Bereavement Support

Group for their work in preparing this years Shrine & Remembrance Mass.



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.