

## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

I have risen, and I am with you still, alleluia.  
 You have laid your hand upon me, alleluia.  
 Too wonderful for me, this knowledge, alleluia, alleluia

## GREETING

The Lord be with you. *And with your spirit.*

## PENITENTIAL ACT

You raise the dead to life in the Spirit:  
 Lord, have mercy. *Lord, have mercy.*  
 You bring pardon and peace to the sinner:  
 Christ have mercy. *Christ have mercy.*  
 You bring light to those in darkness:  
 Lord, have mercy. *Lord, have mercy.*  
 May almighty God have mercy on us,  
 forgive us our sins,  
 and bring us to everlasting life. *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

O God, who on this day, through your Only Begotten Son, have conquered death and unlocked for us the path to eternity, grant, we pray, that we who keep the solemnity of the Lord's Resurrection may, through the renewal brought by your Spirit, rise up in the light of life. Through our Lord Jesus Christ...

## LITURGY OF THE WORD

## FIRST READING Acts 10:34. 37-43.

**A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.**  
 Peter addressed Cornelius and his household: 'You must have heard about the recent happenings in Judaea; about Jesus of Nazareth and how he began in Galilee, after John had been preaching baptism. God had anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and because God was with him, Jesus went about doing good and curing all who had fallen into the power of the devil. Now I, and those with me, can witness to everything he did throughout the countryside of Judaea and in Jerusalem itself: and also to the fact that they killed him by hanging him on a tree, yet three days afterwards God raised him to life and allowed him to be seen, not by the whole people

but only by certain witnesses God had chosen beforehand. Now we are those witnesses - we have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead - and he has ordered us to proclaim this to his people and to tell them that God has appointed him to judge everyone, alive or dead. It is to him that all the prophets bear this witness: that all who believe in Jesus will have their sins forgiven through his name.'

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

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

**Ps. 117:1-2. 16-17. 22-23**

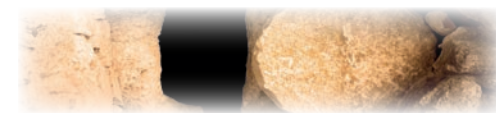
**R. This day was made by the Lord;  
 we rejoice and are glad.**

1. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end.  
 Let the sons of Israel say:  
 'His love has no end.' *(R)*
2. The Lord's right hand has triumphed;  
 his right hand raised me up.  
 I shall not die, I shall live  
 and recount his deeds. *(R)*
3. The stone which the builders rejected  
 has become the corner stone.  
 This is the work of the Lord,  
 a marvel in our eyes. *(R)*

## SECOND READING Colossians 3:1-4

**A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Colossians**  
 Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed - and he is your life - you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.

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



## SEQUENCE

Christians, to the Paschal Victim offer sacrifice and praise.  
 The sheep are ransomed by the Lamb; and Christ, the undefiled, hath sinners to his Father reconciled.  
 Death with life contended;  
 combat strangely ended!  
 Life's own Champion, slain, yet lives to reign.  
 Tell us, Mary: say what thou didst see upon the way.  
 The tomb the Living did enclose;  
 I saw Christ's glory as he rose!  
 The angels there attesting;  
 shroud with grave-clothes resting.  
 Christ, my hope, has risen:  
 he goes before you into Galilee.  
 That Christ is truly risen from the dead we know. Victorious king, thy mercy show!

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**Alleluia, alleluia! Christ, our passover has been sacrificed; let us celebrate the feast then, in the Lord. Alleluia!**

## GOSPEL John 20: 1-9

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to John**

It was very early on the first day of the week and still dark, when Mary of Magdala came to the tomb. She saw that the stone had been moved away from the tomb and came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved. 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb' she said, 'and we don't know where they have put him.'

So Peter set out with the other disciple to go to the tomb. They ran together, but the other disciple, running faster than Peter, reached the tomb first; he bent down and saw the linen cloths lying on the ground, but did not go in. Simon Peter who was following now came up, went right into the tomb, saw the linen cloths on the ground, and also the cloth that had been over his head; this was not with the linen cloths but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple who had reached the tomb first also went in; he saw and he believed. Till this moment they had failed to understand the teaching of scripture, that he must rise from the dead.

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

## RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL PROMISES

Dear brothers and sisters, through the Paschal Mystery we have been buried with Christ in Baptism, so that we may walk with him in newness of life. And so, now that our Lenten observance is concluded, let us renew the promises of Holy Baptism, by which we once renounced Satan and his works and promised to serve God in the holy Catholic Church. And so I ask you:

P. Do you renounce Satan? *C. I do.*  
 P. And all his works? *C. I do.*  
 P. And all his empty show? *C. I do.*  
 P. Do you believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth? *C. I do.*  
 P. Do you believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, Our Lord, who was born of the Virgin Mary, suffered death and was buried, rose again from the dead and is seated at the right hand of the Father? *C. I do.*  
 P. Do you believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting? *C. I do.*  
 P. And may almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us new birth by water and the Holy Spirit and bestowed on us forgiveness of our sins, keep us by his grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord, for eternal life. *Amen.*

*The priest may sprinkle the people with the blessed water, while all sing:*

## Antiphon

**I saw water flowing from the Temple,  
 from its right-hand side, alleluia;  
 and all to whom this water came were saved and shall say: Alleluia, alleluia.**



EASTER DAY OF THE LORD'S RESURRECTION 31st March 2024

## 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

Exultant with paschal gladness, O Lord, we offer the sacrifice by which your Church is wondrously reborn and nourished. 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

**Christ our Passover has been sacrificed, alleluia; therefore let us keep the feast with the unleavened bread of purity and truth, alleluia, alleluia.**

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Look upon your Church, O God, with unfailing love and favour, so that, renewed by the paschal mysteries, she may come to the glory of the resurrection. Through Christ our Lord.

## 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, alleluia, alleluia.  
 Thanks be to God, alleluia, alleluia.

**A day of hope: of flowers and candles, new colour and new light.  
 A day of smiles and of friendship, new joy and new companionship in Christ. A day of hope for those who suffer and who are sad.  
 A day which promises the victory of God's love over sin and death.**



Resurrection is unnatural. When someone goes into the ground, that is that. We don't wait around for the person to reappear so as to pick up where we left off - not this side of the grave anyway. We say goodbye. We pay our respects and we get on with our lives as best we can. The only place springtime happens in a cemetery is on the graves, not in them.

On that first Easter morning while it was still dark Jesus was up and on his way. Unknown to anyone he was taking the whole world with him. People would find new hope, new reason to live. They were feeling a new spring in their step. Something new was happening. New life is unnatural. It is frightening. To expect a sealed tomb and find one filled with angels, to seek a corpse and find the risen Lord - none of this is natural.

Death is natural. Loss is natural. Grief is natural. But a stone has been rolled away and the light of a new day was not overcome by the dark. By the light of a new day God planted a new seed of life in us. New life, new strength to move mountains, banish fear, love our enemies and change the world. That God loved Jesus back from death to life is the promise of Easter that his love will never end.

*Fr. Joe Walsh*

## Jesus' Story

*Fr. Liam Hickey*



Let us look at The Christ Candle. It is studded with nails, full of colours, with a lighted flame. It tells us that Jesus died and is alive again through His Spirit. He is full of light, with blessing for us, and all the world. When we light a candle, the Risen Spirit of Jesus is with us, helping us through all that happens, in our lives.





# New Ross Parish, Church of St. Mary & St. Michael



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Date	Time		
Easter Sat 30th March 	2.00 - 4.00pm	Confessions	
	7.00pm - Parish Church	Parish Mass Association	
	8.00pm - Mount Carmel	Shay Kehoe, Nunnery Lane & Maggs Martin, Chambersland Close	1st Anniversary & Anniversary
Easter Sun 31st Mar  	8.00am	Alfred Place & deceased members of the Roche & Place Families, Rosemount	Remembrance
	9.00am	Andy Foran, Pondfields	Anniversary
	10.00am	Ted St. Ledger, Bewley Street Blessing of Salt 	1st Anniversary
	12.00 Noon	Deceased Members of the Defence Forces	Remembrance
	7.00pm	Polish Community Mass	
Bank Holiday Mon 1st April	8.00am	Michael Cashin & his son Patrick, JKL Place	Anniversaries
	9.30am	The Rosary is recited every morning in the Parish Church from Monday to Saturday, however on the 1 <sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month the Novena to Our Lady of Fatima is held @ 9.15am.	
	10.00am	William & Margaret Rochford, Old Charleton Hill	Anniversaries
	6.00pm	Polish Community Mass	
Tues 2nd April 	8.00am	Intentions of the people of the Parish	
	10.00am	Ann Rossiter, Church Lane	Anniversary
	10.00am - 8.00pm	Eucharistic Adoration	
Wed 3rd April	8.00am	Nancy & Andy Harte, Cross Street	Anniversaries
	10.00am	Kay Tyrell, Mount Garrett	Anniversary
Thurs 4th April 	8.00am	Donors Intentions	Special Intentions
	10.00am	Kathleen T. Kennedy, "Lisheen", Southknock	Anniversary
Fri 5th April	3.00 - 4.00pm	Divine Mercy Holy Hour for Vocations & Religious Life in Blessed Sacrament Chapel	
	8.00am	Michael Hunt, Pondfields	13th Anniversary
	10.00am	Helen O'Reilly (nee Murphy), Windsor, UK & Ballyanne	Anniversary
Sat 6th April	10.00am	Parish Mass Association	
	5.00pm	Bernard (Benny) Kinsella, Knockmullen	1st Anniversary
Sun 7th April - Second Sunday of Easter & Divine Mercy 	8.00am	Jimmy Martin, Ard Na Greine	9th Anniversary
	9.00am	Frances Kennedy, Pondfields	6th Anniversary
	10.00am	Kathleen (Kay) Doyle (nee Mullins), Southknock	1st Anniversary
	12.00 Noon	Frank Murray, Priory Street Annamai Merrigan (nee Smith), Parkfield	Months Mind Months Mind
	3.00pm	Devotions	




**Sanctuary Lamp Intentions:**  
Available @ €10.00 / week.  
Commencing Saturday @ 10.00am.  
**Our Lady's (Left):**  
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**Altar (Centre):**  
Bernard & Lena Furlong -  
**Birthday Remembrance**  
**St. Joseph's (Right):**  
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**Blessed Sacrament Chapel:**  
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**Wexford for Life Pro Life Meeting:** Tuesday, 9th of April 7pm Friary Wexford  
**Pro Life Vigil:** Thursday, 11th of April 9pm - 12 midnight, Friary Wexford

**DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2024**  
**EASTER Saturday 30th March:**  
NO 10.00am Mass in Parish Church. Polish Community Food Blessing @ 11.00am.  
Easter Saturday Vigil @ 7.00pm in Parish Church & @ 8.00pm in Mount Camel.  
Confessions in Parish Church 2.00 - 4.00pm.  
**EASTER Sunday 31st March:**  
Easter Sunday of The Lord's Resurrection. Masses @ 8.00am in Mount Carmel & @ 9.00am, 10.00am (Blessing of Salt) & 12.00 Noon in Parish Church. Polish Mass @ 7.00pm. **Easter Water will be available in bottles. Summertime begins clocks will go forward by 1 hour.**  
**Monday 1st April:**  
Easter Bank Holiday Monday. Parish Office Closed. Polish Mass @ 6.00pm  
**Tuesday 2nd April:**  
Mass bookings will commence for September 2024.  
**Sunday 7th April:**  
Divine Mercy Sunday. Devotions @ 3.00pm.  
**Wednesday 1st May:**  
Mass bookings will commence for October 2024.  
**Monday 6th May:**  
Bank Holiday. Parish Office Closed.  
**Thursday 16th - 21st May:**  
Diocesan Annual Lourdes Pilgrimage.  
**Saturday 25th May:**  
First Communions for pupils of Bunscoil Nic Amhlaidh & Educate Together @ 11.00am & 1.00pm.  
**Sunday 26th May:**  
The Most Holy Trinity.  
**Sunday 2nd June:**  
The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ. Corpus Christi Procession @ 3.00pm.  
**Monday 3rd June:**  
Bank Holiday. Parish Office Closed.  
**Tuesday 4th June:**  
Mass bookings will commence for November 2024.



**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:** On Tuesday 2nd of April we will commence taking Mass bookings up to and including September 2024.

**Next Weeks Readings:** SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER Divine Mercy Sunday Acts: 4: 32-35. Ps 117: 2-4, 22-27, R/ v 1. 1 Jn 5:1-6. Jn 20: 19-31.

**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 queries 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 24th March 2024 @ € 2116.81 (Envelopes No. 206 & 2nd Collection combined). 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 10.45am 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: ALL DAY PARKING PROHIBITED.** Church grounds constitute a sacred space. Parking is reserved exclusively for Church users. 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.** 



*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.*



**History Notes—Part XVIII UNWITTING EMIGRANTS**

Two young farming brothers from the Ballywilliam area brought a valuable horse to the fair of Ross for sale in the 1840s. The horse made a big price and to celebrate their good fortune the brothers headed downtown for some refreshments before returning home. On the way they met a neighbouring friend and invited him to join them as their guest. The quay was a hive of activity as a Graves & Co ship was preparing to depart for America. The taverns were crowded with emigrants and their well-wishers and the three from the fair joined in the excitement and the drink flowed. Shortly before sailing time the three decided on the spur of the moment to sail with the emigrants. They purchased their tickets and boarded the outgoing vessel amid the cheers and tears from the quayside. They were well past the Hook before they realised what they had done. On arrival at Ellis Island the brothers became separated from their neighbour and lost touch with him. With some cash in hand the brothers made a success of their adventure. One of them returned home to run the family farm but the other remained in USA and in later years visited Ireland and home.

Courtesy of Jim Sutton

**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 soul of - Richie (Richard) Lennon, Rush, Dublin & New Ross, who passed away recently. May he rest in peace.

**EASTER REMEMBRANCE:**  
We remember at this time - Deceased Members of the Howlett Family, John Byrne & Liam Coffey.

**ANNIVERSARY PRAYERS:**  
We remember & pray for the souls of - Enda Somers (20th Anniversary), The Maudlins, Teresa Tyner, Riverview & Doneraile, Cork, Margaret & William Rochford, Old Charleton Hill, Margaret Mulhall, Kiltalea, John Kavanagh (20th Anniversary), The Bungalows, Irishtown, Annabelle Kehoe (10th Anniversary), Tower Grove, Josephine Moore, Henry Street, Trevor Byrne, Grange Road, Maggs Martin, Chambersland Close & Molly McLoughlin, Haughton Place, whose anniversaries occur around this time.

**BAPTISMS:**  
We welcome into our Christian Community - Robert Komarous & Oliwia Jaglarz, Ballylane East, 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 candidates 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.**



## Easter Blessings

*May Christ's glory and the promise of this joyous time of year, bring peace and happiness to you and those you hold most dear.*



**New Ross Active Retirement** will have their general meeting on Friday April 5th in the Youth Centre Nunnery Lane at 11am. All welcome! Wishing you all a very happy and holy Easter .



**Anam Cara South East** will host its monthly Parent Evening for bereaved parents on Tuesday 9th April at 7:15pm in the Brandon House Hotel, New Ross. This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether their death was recent or not. Please contact us on [info@anamcara.ie](mailto:info@anamcara.ie) or 085 2888 888 for any queries.



**HOPE**  
CANCER SUPPORT CENTRE  
FOR COUNTY WEXFORD

Eugene Cashin is taking part in the Hope & Dream 10K Run on Sunday 7th of April in aid of the **Hope Cancer Support Centre in Enniscorthy**. If you would like to sponsor Eugene, please contact him on 087 930 6354