# SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (Divine Mercy Sunday) 7th April 2024

### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

### Receive the joy of your glory, giving thanks to God, who has called you into the heavenly kingdom, alleluia.

### PENITENTIAL ACT

Lord Jesus, you raise us to new life: Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord Jesus, you forgive us our sins: Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy Lord Jesus, you feed us with your body and blood:

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. May almighty God have mercy on us.....

### 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

God of everlasting mercy, who, in the very recurrence of the paschal feast kindle the faith of the people you have made your own, increase, we pray, the grace you have bestowed, that all may grasp and rightly understand in what font they have been washed, by whose Spirit they have been reborn, by whose Blood they have been redeemed. Through our Lord Jesus Christ....

### LITURGY OF THE WORD

### FIRST READING Acts 4:32-35 A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

The whole group of believers was united, heart and soul; no one claimed for his own use anything that he had, as everything they owned was held in common.

The apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus with great power, and they were all given great respect.

None of their members was ever in want, as all those who owned land or houses would sell them, and bring the money from them, to present it to the apostles; it was then distributed to any members who might be in need.

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

# **RESPONSORIAL PSALM** Ps. 117:2-4. 15-18. 22-24

R. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end. or Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

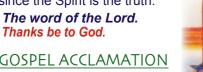
1. Let the sons of Israel say: 'His love has no end.' Let the sons of Aaron say: 'His love has no end.' Let those who fear the Lord say: 'His love has no end. (R)

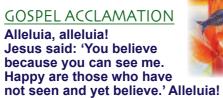
- 2. The Lord's right hand has triumphed; his right hand raised me up. I shall not die, I shall live and recount his deeds. I was punished, I was punished by the Lord, but not doomed to die.
- The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone. This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes. This day was made by the Lord; we rejoice and are glad. (R)

# SECOND READING 1 John 5:1 - 6

A reading from the first letter of St. John. Whoever believes that Jesus is the Christ has been begotten by God; and whoever loves the Father that begot him loves the child whom he begets. We can be sure that we love God's children if we love God himself and do what he has commanded us: this is what loving God is keeping his commandments; and his commandments are not difficult, because anyone who has been begotten by God has already overcome the world; this is the victory over the world -our faith. Who can overcome the world? Only the man who believes that Jesus

is the Son of God: Jesus Christ who came by water and blood, not with water only. but with water and blood; with the Spirit as another witness since the Spirit is the truth.





GOSPEL John 20: 19 - 31

Thanks be to God.

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

In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with vou,' and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you.

'As the Father sent me,

so am I sending you.' After saying this he breathed on them and said:

'Receive the Holy Spirit, For those whose slns you forgive, they are forgiven;

for those whose sins you retain, they are retained.'

Thomas, called the Twin, who was one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. When the disciples said, 'We have seen the Lord', he answered, 'Unless I see the holes that the nails made in his hands and can put my finger into the holes they made, and unless I can put my hand into his side, I refuse to believe.' Eight days later the disciples were in the house again and Thomas was with them. The doors were closed, but Jesus came in and stood among them. 'Peace be with you' he said. Then he spoke to Thomas, 'Put your finger here; look, here are my hands. Give me your hand; put it into my side. Doubt no longer but believe.' Thomas replied, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him:

'You believe because you can see me. Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe."

There were many other signs that Jesus worked and the disciples saw, but they are not recorded in this book. These are recorded so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing this you may have life through his name.

### 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.

### PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Accept, O Lord, we pray, the oblations of your people (and of those you have brought to new birth), that, renewed by confession of your name and by Baptism, they may attain unending 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.

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.....

# AFTER THE CONSECRATION

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.

THE SIGN OF PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always. And with your spirit.

# 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

Bring your hand and feel the place of the nails, and do not be unbelieving but believing, alleluia.

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Grant, we pray, almighty God, that our reception of this paschal Sacrament may have a continuing effect in our minds and hearts. 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.

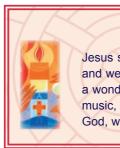
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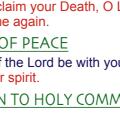


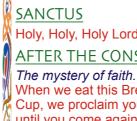
"This is my commandment, love one another as I have loved you." (John 15 v 12.) Few of us will have to give our lives, as Jesus did, for our brothers and sisters, though some do in other parts of the world. But always loving others, excluding no-one, even when it is inconvenient, difficult or awkward, or makes us unpopular, is truly saintly. But there is yet a higher form of love: to forgive someone who has offended us and may not even have asked for our forgiveness. If Jesus asks us to "Love your enemies, pray for those who persecute you." (Matthew 5 v 44) he is only asking us to imitate Jesus, who, while we were still enemies (Romans 5 v 10), reconciled us to God by dying on the cross.

We have traditionally been taught that God will forgive us our sins, after we have expressed our sorrow and asked for forgiveness. But through the death of Jesus, we have been forgiven before we even ask. True sorrow for our sinfulness arises from our experience of the extraordinary love and compassion of God, a love "that surpasses all knowledge" (Ephesians 3 v 18), which leads us to ask ourselves "How could I possibly have offended such a loving God?" On Divine Mercy Sunday we celebrate the good news that we have been loved and forgiven by God. The bad news is that we are called to do the same to others!



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# rocus on sunday

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Easter for Thomas was a rediscovery of his faith in Jesus. The risen power of the Lord is the basis for his people's faith.

# Our belief is not based on what WE SEE (or cannot yet see) but rather FAITH and TRUST in God's nature, character, and promise to us.

Fr. Peter McVerrv

Jesus' Story

Fr. Liam Hickey

Jesus said to Thomas "Here are my hands. God's hand made the world and we are his special work of art. The Spirit of God in our hands makes a wonderful world, with all kinds of inventions. Our hands give hugs, play music, play games. We hold hands, clap hands, shake hands. We praise God, when we care and share with our hands.

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Date	Time			Available @ €10 Commencing S	
Saturday 6th April	5.00pm	Bernard (Benny) Kinsella, Knockmullen	1st Anniversary	10.00ar	n.
	7.00pm	Polish Community Mass	Our Lady's	<u>(Left</u> ):	
Sun 7th April - Second Sunday of Easter & Divine Mercy	8.00am	Jimmy Martin, Ard Na Greine	9th Anniversary	Altar (Cen	
	9.00am	Frances Kennedy, Pondfields	6th Anniversary	Nicky Murphy, Priory Street (5th Anniversary) <u>St. Joseph's (Right)</u> :	
	10.00am	Kathleen (Kay) Doyle (nee Mullins), Southknock	1st Anniversary		
	12.00	Frank Murray, Priory Street	Months Mind		
	Noon	Annamai Merrigan (nee Smith), Parkfield	Months Mind	Blessed Sacrament Chapel	
	3.00pm	Divine Mercy Devotions		0	
Mon 8th April	8.00am	Nicky Murphy, Priory Street 5th Anniversary		Wexford for Life Pro Life Meeting: Tuesday, 9th of April 7pm Friary Wexford	
	9.30am	The Rosary is recited every morning in the Parish Cl Saturday, however on the 1 <sup>st</sup> Saturday of the mont Fatima is held @ 9.15am.	Pro Life Vigil: Thursday, 11th of A midnight, Friary Wexfo	pril 9pm - 12	
	10.00am	Niall Russell, Southknock	Anniversary	PATES	
Tues 9th April	8.00am	Intentions of the people of the Parish		DIARY	
	10.00am	Alan Murphy, The Bosheen, Kevin Manley, Abbeyview & Kathleen Flemming, Irishtown	Anniversaries	Sunday 7th April: Divine Mercy Sunday. Devotions @ 3.00pm. Wednesday 1st May:	
	10.00am - 8.00pm	Eucharistic Adoration		Mass bookings will commence for Oct Monday 6th May: Bank Holiday. Parish Office Clo	osed.
Wed 10th April	8.00am	Donors Intention Doners Intentions		<u>Thursday 16th - 21stMay:</u> Diocesan Annual Lourdes Pilgrir	
	10.00am	John Kehoe, Fr. Cullen Terrace	Anniversary	Saturday 25th May: First Communions for pupils of Bunscoil Nic Amhlaidh &	
Thurs 11th April	8.00am	James & Anne Doyle, Ard Mhicil	Anniversaries	Educate Together @ 11.00am & 1.00pm. Sunday 26th May:	
	10.00am	Ger O'Connor, Barretts Park	6th Anniversary	The Most Holy Trinity. Sunday 2nd June:	
	3.00 - 4.00pm	Divine Mercy Holy Hour for Vocations & Religious Life in Blessed Sacrament Chapel		The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ. ( Procession @ 3.00pm. Monday 3rd June:	
Fri 12th April	8.00am	Paddy Murphy, Mount Carmel	1st Anniversary	Bank Holiday. Parish Office Closed. Tuesday 4th June:	
	10.00am	Delia Purcell, Fr. Cullen Terrace	Anniversary	Mass bookings will commence for Nove Friday 28th June:	ember 2024.
Sat 13th April	10.00am	Parish Mass Association		Patron in St. Marys Cemetery @ 7 Sunday 30th June:	.00pm.
	5.00pm	Anastasia (Lally) Murphy (nee Bailey), Ursuline 1st Anniversary Court, Waterford & Bridge Street, New Ross		Patron Mount Carmel Graveyard after 8.0 Priests' Graveyard in Church grounds after & St. Stephens Cernetery @ 3.0	12.00 Noon Mas
	7.00pm Polish Community Mass				·
Sun 14th April - Third Sunday of Easter	8.00am	Anthony Rochford, Dungarvan, Waterford & New Ross	Birthday Remembrance	<ul> <li>Eugene Cashin is taking part in the Hope &amp; 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</li> <li>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 or 085 2888 888 for any</li> </ul>	
	9.00am	Joseph Caulfield, Southknock & Pat Dunne, Terrerath	Anniversaries		
	10.00am	Thomas Caulfield, Pondfields Communion Preparation Mass	1st Anniversary		
	12.00 Noon	Lalo Malone, Hewittsland & his son Stephen, Campile & Cellbridge Catherine (Kathleen) Furness (nee Whelan),	Months Mind & Birthday Remembrance Months Mind		

### PARISH INFORMATION.

# NT DE PAUL - NEW ROSS: 085 8313073

ve Stream Mass: 104.7FM & New Ross Parish Website Live all Masses including Funeral Masses excluding 8.00am in nel Monastery Chapel

ings: We are currently taking Mass bookings up to and eptember 2024.

s Readings: THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER Acts 3: 13-15, : 2, 4, 7, 9, R/ v 6. 1 Jn 2: 1-5. Lk 24: 35-48.

s: Saturdays after 10.00am Mass & before Vigil Mass. request after 10.00am Mass. Please notify the priest before Sacristy.

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ng Representative: Mairin Jackson - Contact No: (051) any queries in relation to working with children or adolesn our parish please contact the above

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

lection and Supporting the Parish: Collections 31st March .626.42 (Envelopes No. 174 & 2nd Collection combined). wish to become a regular Parish Contributor, please contact Office. We can also accept donations over the telephone. the Parish Office. Thank you for the support. Please make payable to St. Mary & St. Michael Parish Church New

's Pastoral Centre: Available for Parish based activities, act the Parish office

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

Requests: Request forms are available from the Parish ificate fees at € 5.00 each. Photographic ID is required for the ncluding Photographic ID for the person who has been authorto collect it. Collection on Fridays only

I DUTY (051) 421214: We are anxious to visit those who brate Mass with us due to illness, aged or infirm. Arrangebe made to receive the sacraments at home on the first Friday nth by calling the Parish Office.

VINA: Come and join our Group every Wednesday morning at the Pastoral Centre and experience God in our lives through Gospel

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

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

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ce / Shop in Legion of Mary Pastoral Centre: All items for ssed on the First Friday of every month

ce 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 XIX A FORTUNATE MISS

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as saying that the Major was the most dangerous man he encountered in New Ross. **Courtesy of Jim Sutton** 

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

**RERECENTLY DECEASED:** We pray for the souls of -Nora Breen (nee O'Leary), Rosbercon, Mary Fitzgerald, Rosbercon,

**ANNIVERSARY PRAYERS:** We remember & pray for the souls of -Alice Caulfield, Pondfields, Tommy Nolan, Charleton Hill Christine Boland, Grange Road, Mary Ann Kavanagh, Irishtown,

### BAPTISMS:

During the Civil War in 1923 the Irregular Army retreated to

re-group in Munster and a unit of this army was passing through New Ross. The troops were being paraded outside the Trinity Houses in South Street by the prominent Anti-treaty leader Sean Moylan as Major Hamilton, who lived in Trinity House at the top of Marsh Lane stood on his front steps. The Major, who had suffered the trauma of the First World War, produced his service revolver and fired at Sean Moylan. Fortunately, he missed and immediately retreated indoors, pursued by troops. After an exchange of fire in which his daughter was slightly injured the Major was overpowered and arrested. He was brought to the Royal Hotel where the Irregulars had their headquarters and faced retribution. However, it was quickly realised that Major Hamilton was a victim of his war experiences and was simply disarmed and released. Moylan was quoted

'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'.



- Carmel Dalton (nee Hunt), The Bosheen &
- Stella Sheehan (nee Byrne), Auburn Avenue,
- who passed away recently. May they rest in peace.

- Bernard (Benny) Kinsella (1st Anniversary), Knockmullen,
- Bozena Jastrzebska (3rd Anniversary), Ballyrue,
- William & Mary Connolly, Mary Street,
- Helen O'Reilly, Windsor, UK & Ballyanne,
- Michael Sutton & Robert Dunphy, Lower Southknock,
- Margaret St. Ledger Dolgayo, (10th Anniversary), Mark Grace (20th Anniversary), Windmill Lane &
- whose anniversaries occur around this time.

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.

# MORNING PRAYER Pivine Mercy Sunday

### God of mercy,

you wash away our sins in water, you give us new birth in the Spirit, and redeem us in the blood of Christ. As we celebrate Christ's resurrection increase our awareness of these blessings, and renew your gift of life within us.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. – Amen



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