

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

**God is in his holy place,  
God who unites those who dwell in  
his house; he himself gives might and  
strength to his people.**

**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**

Lord Jesus, you came to gather the  
nations into the peace of God's kingdom:  
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

You come in word and sacrament  
to strengthen us in holiness:  
Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

You will come in glory with salvation  
for your people:  
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**

O God, protector of those who hope  
in you, without whom nothing has firm  
foundation, nothing is holy, bestow in  
abundance your mercy upon us and grant  
that, with you as our ruler and guide, we  
may use the good things that pass in  
such a way as to hold fast even now to  
those that ever endure.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ....

**LITURGY OF THE WORD****FIRST READING** *Genesis 18:20-32*

**A reading from the book of Genesis.**  
The Lord said, 'How great an outcry there  
is against Sodom and Gomorrah! How  
grievous is their sin! I propose to go down  
and see whether or not they have done all  
that is alleged in the outcry against them  
that has come up to me. I am determined  
to know.'

The men left there and went to Sodom  
while Abraham remained standing before  
the Lord. Approaching him he said, 'Are  
you really going to destroy the just man  
with the sinner? Perhaps there are fifty  
just men in the town. Will you really  
overwhelm them will you not spare the

place for the fifty just men in it? Do not  
think of doing such a thing: to kill the just  
man with the sinner, treating just and  
sinner alike! Do not think of it! Will the  
judge of the whole earth not administer  
justice?' The Lord replied, 'If at Sodom I  
find fifty just men in the town, I will spare  
the whole place because of them.'

Abraham replied, 'I am bold indeed to  
speak like this to my Lord, I who am dust  
and ashes. But perhaps the fifty just men  
lack five: will you destroy the whole city  
for five?' 'No', he replied 'I will not destroy  
it if I find forty-five just men there.' Again  
Abraham said to him, 'Perhaps there will  
only be forty there.' 'I will not do it' he  
replied 'for the sake of the forty.'

Abraham said, 'I trust my Lord will not  
be angry, but give me leave to speak:  
perhaps there will only be thirty there.' 'I  
will not do it' he replied 'if I find thirty there.'  
He said, 'I am bold indeed to speak like  
this, but perhaps there will only be twenty  
there.' 'I will not destroy it' he replied 'for  
the sake of the twenty.' He said, 'I trust  
my Lord will not be angry if I speak once  
more: perhaps there will only be ten.' 'I  
will not destroy it' he replied 'for the sake  
of the ten.'

**The word of the Lord.**

**Thanks be to God.**

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM** *Ps. 137:1-3,6-8*

**R. On the day I called,  
you answered me, O Lord.**

1. I thank you, Lord, with all my heart,  
you have heard the words of my mouth.  
Before the angels I will bless you.  
I will adore before your holy temple. **[R]**

2. I thank you for your faithfulness  
and love  
which excel all we ever knew of you.  
On the day I called, you answered;  
you increased the strength of my soul. **[R]**

3. The Lord is high yet he looks on  
the lowly  
and the haughty he knows from afar.  
Though I walk in the midst of affliction  
you give me life and frustrate my foes. **[R]**

4. You stretch out your hand and  
save me,  
your hand will do all things for me.  
Your love, O Lord, is eternal,  
discard not the work of your hands. **[R]**

**SECOND READING** *Colossians 2:12-14*

**A reading from the letter of St. Paul to  
the Colossians.**

You have been buried with Christ, when  
you were baptised; and by baptism,  
too, you have been raised up with him  
through your belief in the power of God  
who raised him from the dead. You were  
dead, because you were sinners and had  
not been circumcised: he has brought  
you to life with him, he has forgiven us  
all our sins.

He has overridden the Law, and  
cancelled every record of the debt that  
we had to pay; he has done away with it  
by nailing it to the cross.

**The word of the Lord.**

**Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

**Alleluia, alleluia! The Word was made  
flesh and lived among us; to all who  
did accept him he gave power to  
become children of God. Alleluia!**

**GOSPEL** *Luke 11:1-13*

**A reading from the holy Gospel  
according to Luke.**

Once Jesus was in a certain place  
praying, and when he had finished, one  
of his disciples said: 'Lord, teach us to  
pray, just as John taught his disciples.'  
He said to them, 'Say this when you pray:

"Father, may your name be held holy,  
your kingdom come;  
give us each day our daily bread,  
and forgive us our sins,  
for we ourselves forgive  
each one who is in debt to us.  
And do not put us to the test."

He also said to them, 'Suppose one  
of you has a friend and goes to him in  
the middle of the night to say, "My friend,  
lend me three loaves, because a friend  
of mine on his travels has just arrived  
at my house and I have nothing to offer  
him"; and the man answers from inside  
the house, "Do not bother me. The door is  
bolted now, and my children and I are in  
bed; I cannot get up to give it to you." I tell  
you, if the man does not get up and give  
it to him for friendship's sake, persistence  
will be enough to make him get up and  
give his friend all he wants.

'So I say to you: Ask, and it will be given  
to you; search, and you will find; knock,  
and the door will be opened to you. For  
the one who asks always receives; the  
one who searches always finds; the one  
who knocks will always have the door  
opened to him. What father among you  
would hand his son a stone when he  
asked for bread? Or hand him a snake  
instead of a fish? Or hand him a scorpion  
if he asked for an egg? If you then, who  
are evil, know how to give your children  
what is good, how much more will the  
heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to  
those who ask him!

**The Gospel of the Lord.**

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**APOSTLES' CREED**

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
Creator of heaven and earth,  
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,

*All bow for following two lines:*

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died and was buried;  
he descended into hell;  
on the third day he rose again from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of God,  
the Father almighty;  
from there he will come to judge  
the living and the dead.

I 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.

**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 offerings  
which we bring from the abundance  
of your gifts,  
that through the powerful working  
of your grace these most sacred mysteries  
may sanctify our present way of life  
and leads us to eternal gladness.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**EUCCHARISTIC 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.*

**When we eat this Bread and drink this  
Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord,  
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**

**Bless the Lord, O my soul,  
and never forget all his benefits.**

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

We have consumed, O Lord,  
this divine Sacrament,  
the perpetual memorial of the Passion  
of your Son;  
grant, we pray, that this gift,  
which he himself gave us with love  
beyond all telling,  
may profit us for salvation.  
Through Christ our Lord.

**CONCLUDING RITE**

The Lord be with you.

**And with your spirit.**

Go in peace.

**Thanks be to God.**

Liturgical texts: concordat cum originali: †Dermot Farrell, Archbishop of Dublin Other texts: cum permissu: †Dermot Farrell, Archbishop of Dublin. Excerpts from the English translation of the Roman Missal: © 2010, International Committee on English in the Liturgy Corporation. All rights reserved. Used with permission. The liturgical texts of the Roman Missal are copyright © 2010, International Committee on English in the Liturgy Corporation. All rights reserved. Used with permission. The liturgical texts of the Roman Missal are copyright © 2010, International Committee on English in the Liturgy Corporation. All rights reserved. Used with permission.

**Blessed are those  
who have not lost hope  
(cf. Sir 14:2)**



We all know about praying for something. Prayers as we  
also know are often not answered even when we pray for  
something good.

This week's readings are about persistence in prayer. And  
about faith that our prayers are always heard. The lord promises the Holy  
Spirit every time we pray. This means we receive the gifts of the Spirit.

We are promised compassion, endurance, joy, trust, forgiveness and  
many qualities of life we would like in Galatians 5.

In the Our Father prayer we praise God first and then ask for forgiveness  
and food for the day...food for the body and food for the soul.

Someone said..I have never left prayer without feeling the help of God in  
my life.

**Donal Neary SJ.**

**Jesus' Story**

Liam Hickey



One day Jesus friends asked Him. Teach us to pray. Jesus gave them  
ideas to think and say. First think 'Our Father' I'm in God's Family with  
brothers and sisters. Next "Hallowed be Thy Name" God's name is on  
every thing that lives. "Thy Kingdom come" Kingdom means God's  
plan for all the world, to enjoy now, to look forward to joy in Heaven.  
"Give us food for today and help us to share". Next idea is that God  
always forgives us, and helps us to forgive others for peace. When  
we are tempted to hurt ourselves or others, may we pray for help and  
light a candle of Thanks.





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

Parish Office Opening Hours: Monday to Friday 10.30am to 2.00pm. Closed Holy Days & Bank Holidays. Wide range in stock of Mass Cards, General Cards & Gift Ideas for all occasions. Mass Cards are also available in Nugent's Newsagents, Cooney's & Ryan's Homes.



Parish Office  
051 421 348  
Priest on Duty  
051 421214 (24 Hr)



Parish Mobile  
087 1212 707  
(Text Alert Only)



www.  
newrossparish.ie



info@  
newrossparish.ie



Visit us on  
Facebook/New  
Ross Parish

Volume 44 No. 30



Radio Mass 104.7FM & LIVE STREAM ON PARISH & CHURCH CAM LIVE WEBSITES. All 8.00am Masses are in Mount Carmel Monastery Chapel.



Please call into the Sacristy BEFORE Mass to remind the celebrant of the Intention.

| Date                                | Time   |  |                  |
|-------------------------------------|--|--|------------------|
| Saturday 26th July                  | 5.00pm   | Bert Gordan, South Street  | Anniversary      |
|                                     | 7.00pm   | Polish Community Mass  |                  |
| Sunday 27th July - Grandparents Day | 7.00am   | Bus trip leaving from Dunbrody Carpark for Knock Grandparents Day Celebration                       |                  |
|                                     | 8.00am   | Kitty Flannelly, John Street   | Anniversary      |
|                                     | 9.00am   | Timothy Coughlan, Southknock   | 2nd Anniversary  |
|                                     | 10.00am  | Noreen Sutton, Shallows Park   | Anniversary      |
|                                     | 12.00 Noon   | Jim Cooney, Seanie & Mark Doyle, Robert Street & Bush Park   | 23rd Anniversary |
| Monday 28th July                    | 9.30am   | 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  | The Ryan & Holden Families, Abbey Hall   | Anniversaries    |
| Tuesday 29th July                   | 8.00am   | William & Elizabeth Keating, their daughter; Breda, Camblin  | Anniversaries    |
|                                     | 10.00am  | Luke Roche, Lower Southknock   | Anniversary      |
|                                     | 10.00am  | Eucharistic Adoration until 8.00pm.  |                  |
| Wednesday 30th July                 | 8.00am   | Intentions of the People of the Parish   |                  |
|                                     | 10.00am  | Sheila Whitty, Riverview   | 1st Anniversary  |
|                                     | Monthly Parish Coffee Morning after 10.00am Mass in the Sacristy |  |                  |
| Thursday 31st July                  | 8.00am   | Michael Kane, The Bosheen  | 13th Anniversary |
|                                     | 10.00am  | Martin Whelan, Tanyard   | 6th Anniversary  |
|                                     | 3.00pm   | Divine Mercy Holy Hour for Vocations & Religious Life in The Blessed Sacrament Chapel  |                  |
| Friday 1st August                   | 10.00am  | Michael Connolly, Mary Street  | Anniversary      |
|                                     | Mass bookings commence @ 10.30am up to an including Jan 2026     |  |                  |
| Saturday 2nd August                 | 10.00am  | Parish Mass Association  |                  |
|                                     | 5.00pm   | Amy Alyward, Grange Road   | 3rd Anniversary  |
|                                     | 7.00pm   | Polish Community Mass  |                  |
| Sunday 3rd August 2025 -            | 8.00am   | John & Ann Dwyer, Cross Street & Charleton Hill  | Anniversary      |
|                                     | 9.00am   | Nancy Martin, Ard Na Greine  | 9th Anniversary  |
|                                     | 10.00am  | Brendan Kidd, Brandon Park   | 1st Anniversary  |
|                                     | 12.00 Noon   | Peter O'Hanlon, Drumcondra, Dublin & New Ross  | Months Mind      |

New Ross Meals on Wheels: Annual Church Gate Collection will take place weekend 9th & 10th August.



NATIONAL MEALS ON WHEELS NETWORK



**Sanctuary Lamp Intentions:**  
Available @ €10.00 / week. Commencing Saturday @ 10.00am to the following Saturday.  
**Our Lady's (Left):**  
Kitty Wall (20th Anniversary) - Remembrance  
**Altar (Centre):** Special Intentions  
**St. Joseph's (Right):** -  
**Blessed Sacrament Chapel:** -



**RECENTLY DECEASED:**  
We remember & pray for the soul of - Margaret Murphy (nee Connors), "St. Anthony's", Tinnakilly, Rosbercon who has passed away recently. May she rest in peace.  
**ANNIVERSARY PRAYERS:**  
We remember & pray for the soul of - Joseph Grace (41st Anniversary), Windmill Lane & John King, Mountgarrett whose anniversaries occur around this time.  
\*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.  
\*\* Maximum of eight entries per week for Anniversary Prayers.



**BAPTISMS:**  
We welcome into our Christian Community - Amari Bennett Perreira, Brandon Park, who were baptised recently in our Parish Church. Baptisms take place on the First Saturday @ 12.00 Noon & Third Sunday @ 1.00pm each month. A Minimum two weeks notice is required & 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 & Photographic ID for the Guardian. If you are not residing in New Ross Parish, a letter from the Parish you do reside in, is required stating they have no objection to your child being baptised in our parish.  
**WEDDINGS:**  
To Book your Wedding please contact the Parish Office. A minimum of six months notice is required for Wedding bookings. Bookings are secured on receipt of Marriage application forms, photographic ID & Church booking fee.

**Bring it Home Festival - Ros Tapestry Exhibition Centre Launch.** As a big thank you to all our supporters, the Bring it Home Festival is being held on Tuesday 29th July. The tapestries are now on show at the Exhibition Centre opposite The Dunbrody. The Festival will include free tours of Medieval Ross with Myles Courtney at 11am & 2pm starting at the Fair Gate. There will also be free guided tours of the tapestries at 11am, 12pm, 1pm and 2pm. Booking is essential for the tours. Contact [info@rostapestry.ie](mailto:info@rostapestry.ie). As a special treat if you would like to see the stitchers at work, visit 14 The Quay (formerly Anglims Men's Shop) between 11am and 12pm. We hope lots of people will come along to join us in celebrating these beautiful, unique works of art which were created in our town and surrounding area. The Festival is funded through Fáilte Ireland in partnership with Wexford County Council-Small Festival Grant Scheme 2025.



GRANDPARENTS' DAY;  
SUNDAY 27th JULY IS NATIONAL GRANDPARENTS' DAY.



On Friday night we celebrated a Mass in thanksgiving for all the generous ways in which the grandparents of the parish play a vital part in the lives of their grandchildren. We also asked God's blessing on them for their continued good health. We were delighted that Father Eamonn Salmon agreed to come & lead us in that very important occasion.

On Sunday 27th (today) July parishioners will travel to Knock to take part in the National Celebration of Grandparents Day. The idea of honouring Grandparents is a relatively new development. The Americans will claim they thought of it first. No doubt the English will claim that, regardless of who thought of it first, THEY have the greatest Grandparents of all. We, for our part, are just happy to recognise them and their importance in the life of the Parish. That was the aim that ANA ELISA DE COURTO had in mind when she, living in Portugal in 1980, drew attention to the fact that there was MOTHERS' DAY & FATHERS' DAY but that grandparents were not getting the recognition they deserved. So, she visited several countries promoting the idea and with great success. So much so that the Church now celebrates Grandparents' Day on the Sunday nearest to the Feast of Ss. Joachim & Ann (July 26th), as they can be considered in a sense to be the grandparents of Jesus - being the parents of Mary, his mother. So WHY & WHAT do we celebrate?

Grandparents are the PILLARS of any family - supporting, helping and guiding the next generation. They bring the wisdom of years of experience of life and a special view of the world and its values. They reveal to the younger generation an image of their own future. "Look at me & see yourself in x number of years to come." "What you are now, I once was; what am I, you will be."

They advise that people should never lose hope, never be crushed by adversity or too carried away with success. They transmit culture, family history, memories, faith, values and traditions. They provide links with the past. They create a sense of belonging to something rich and valuable; what we are as a family; what makes us who we are. The bond between Grandparents and grandchildren develops over time - unconditional love, trust, security - being present and part of their lives at all the important stages. In our present society, they meet a new and vital need in the lives of their grandchildren. The world has shrunk. Even the youngest children have THE WHOLE WORLD IN THEIR HANDS, so to speak, in the form of smartphones and other devices of communication. The home or family or local community are no longer the main source of information. More seriously still, they are no longer the source of values or standards or beliefs or guidance or direction. To a greater degree young people look to outside platforms for direction. Often the promoters of these platforms are driven by financial concerns rather than any concern for the physical, mental or spiritual wellbeing of future generations. Grandparents are in a stronger position than parents to quietly counteract these influences. In this area alone they are never more vital in the lives of our younger people. Of course, it is not all one way - the grandchildren keep the grandparents young too - a new lease of life, another powerful reason for living. As Scripture says - they are truly blessed who live to see their children's children and even more blessed to see their children's children's children. Let us all acknowledge all grandparents - those gone before us - that they may be rewarded for their devotion to family in all types of circumstances. We thank too present-day grandparents who continue to support and help the next generation of our families in the process of growing up.

“GRANDPARTENS ARE THE FOOTSTEPS FOR THE FUTURE GENERATIONS” -  
MAY THEY BE FOREVER TREASURED.

Grantstown Rosary Conscious Group:  
Meeting takes place at Our Lady's shrine Augustinian Priory, Grantstown, Wellington Bridge, Co. Wexford on Sunday 10th August 2025, 3.00pm to 4.00pm. All Welcome.



**"Light of Fire"** Hill of Slane August 3rd @ 12.00 Noon to 4.30pm. Details on Poster @ Church Porch. Website: [lightthefire.ie](http://lightthefire.ie) or Email: [info@lightthefire.ie](mailto:info@lightthefire.ie)





**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 in the footsteps of your Son. Amen". To find out more about a vocation to the priesthood in the diocese of Ferns, contact Fr. Billy Swan at [billyswan68@hotmail.com](mailto:billyswan68@hotmail.com)

**Wishing all who are travelling this weekend to the Parish Grandparents Day trip to Knock a safe & pleasant journey.**



August Bank Holiday Weekend!

Monday 4th August Bank Holiday. Parish Office is closed.





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.

