ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Turn your ear, O Lord, and answer me; save the servant who trusts in you, my God. Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long.

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 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.... 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 cause the minds of the faithful to unite in a single purpose, grant your people to love what you command and to desire what you promise, that, amid the uncertainties of this world, our hearts may be fixed on that place where true gladness is found.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ......

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING Isaiah 66:18-21

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

The Lord says this: I am coming to gather the nations of every language. They shall come to witness my glory. I will give them a sign and send some of their survivors to the nations: to Tarshish, Put, Lud, Moshech, Rosh, Tubal, and Javan, to the distant islands that have never heard of me or seen my glory. They will proclaim my glory to the nations. As an offering to the Lord they will bring all your brothers, on horses, in chariots, in litters, on mules, on dromedaries, from all the nations to my holy mountain in Jerusalem, says the Lord, like Israelites bringing oblations in

clean vessels to the Temple of the Lord. And of some of them I will make priests and Levites, says the Lord.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM P.S. 116

- R. Go out to the whole world; proclaim the Good News.
- 1. O praise the Lord, all you nations, acclaim him all you peoples! [R]
- 2. Strong is his love for us; he is faithful for ever.

SECOND READING Hebrews 12:5-7.11-13

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

Have you forgotten that encouraging text in which you are addressed as sons? My son, when the Lord corrects you, do not treat it lightly; but do not get discouraged when he reprimands you. For the Lord trains the ones that he loves and he punishes all those that he acknowledges as his sons. Suffering is part of your training; God is treating you as his sons. Has there ever been any son whose father did not train him? Of course, any punishment is most painful at the time, and far from pleasant; but later, in those on whom it has been used, it bears fruit in peace and goodness. So hold up your limp arms and steady your trembling knees and smooth out the path you tread; then the injured limb will not be wrenched, it will grow strong again.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! I am the Way, the Truth and the Life, says the Lord; no one can come to the Father except through me. Alleluia!

GOSPEL Luke 13.22-30

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

Through towns and villages Jesus went teaching, making his way to Jerusalem. Someone said to him, 'Sir, will there be only a few saved?' He said to them, 'Try your best to enter by the narrow door, because, I tell you, many will try to enter and will not succeed.

'Once the master of the house has got up and locked the door, you may find yourself knocking on the door, saying, "Lord, open to us" but he will answer, "I do not know where you come from." Then you will find yourself saying, "We once ate and drank in your company; you taught in our streets" but he will reply, "I do not know where you come from. Away from me, all you wicked men!"

Then there will be weeping and grinding of teeth, when you see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God, and yourselves turned outside. And men from east and

west, from north and south, will come to take their places at the feast in the kingdom of God.

'Yes, there are those now last who will be first, and those now first who will be last.'

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.

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

O Lord, who gained for yourself a people by adoption through the one sacrifice offered once for all, bestow graciously on us, we pray, the gifts of unity and peace in your Church. Through Christ our Lord.



focus on sunday

TWENTY - FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 24th August 2025

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

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, says the Lord, and I will raise him up on the last day.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Complete within us, O Lord, we pray, the healing work of your mercy and graciously perfect and sustain us, so that in all things we may please you. Through Christ our Lord.

CONCLUDING RITE

The Lord be with you. And with your spirit.

May the Lord bless you and keep you.

Amen.

May he let his face shine upon you and show you his mercy. Amen

May he turn his countenance towards you and give you his peace. Amen.

May he let his face shine upon you and show you his mercy. Amen.

Amen.

Go forth, the Mass is ended.
Thanks be to God.

The message of God's Kingdom is offered to people of every race. However, only those who follow the path of Jesus will enjoy the reward of God's Kingdom.





These Sundays until the end of November give us glimpses of Jesus on his journey to Jerusalem and the Cross. Such glimpses offer us rich insight into the person of Jesus, his God, his mind and thinking, his values and preferences, his dreams for people and for all humanity. Isaiah paints a picture

of hope today. It's a raising of the corner of the veil and offers us a symbolic glimpse of the huge hope for us that is in the heart of God despite the mess our world is in.

Various people approach Jesus in this Gospel and ask about the afterlife. Jesus came to preach the kingdom of God, which is not the same thing as the afterlife – heaven, the piece of real estate out there in space somewhere. In fact, he hadn't much to say about what many call heaven and hell. On the other hand, he had an awful lot to say about who he is, why he came on earth and what his kingdom is all about.

The kingdom of God is a spiritual reality, not a material kingdom or construct. It is something deeply personal between God and us his people. It is the web of personal encounter between God and all believers. It is not an institution, a church or an organisation, but the filament of personal relationships between God, Christ, humanity and all created things. All people, whether from east, west, north or south are invited "to take their places at the feast in the kingdom of God."

Fr. Joe Walsh

Jesus' Story

Fr. Liam Hickey



Jesus was a carpenter. He liked making doors. An open door means welcome. A closed door means protection, and sometimes 'not welcome.' God's Love is always an open door of friendship and welcome. God never refuses anyone. Our human hearts can be like open doors of welcome, and sometimes, like doors of no welcome. There are three special blessings each day, the good word, the fair word, the welcoming word.

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Saturday 23rd August	5.00pm	Kathleen Neville, Tan House	1st Anniversary	000	
	7.00pm	Polish Community Mass			1
Sunday 24th August 2025 21st Sunday of Ordinary Time	8.00am	John Flynn, Mount Elliott	Anniversary		
	9.00am	Victor Hennessy, Southknock	2nd Anniversary		
	10.00am	Kathleen North, Charleton Hill	Anniversary	Å	BI
	12.00 Noon	Michael (Skipper) & Mary Dalton (nee Roche), Pondfields	2nd & 3rd Anniversaries	#I	ī 7
	3.00pm	Our Lady's Island Pilgrimage Testimony & Song with Celine Byrne, Soprano		RECENT	TLY [
Monday	8.00am	Eucharistic Prayer Service		We rem	
25th August	9.30am	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			l O'S a (Te n & n Sin con l
	10.00am	Deceased members of the McGuinness family, Crossabeg	Remembrance	Raymor who ha May the	s pa
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26th August	10.00am	Special Get Well Intentions	Special Intention	Harry V James E	Vilso
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Wednesday	8.00am	Intentions of the People of the Parish		whose a	
27th August	10.00am	Nicholas (Nicky) Murphy, Mc Murrough	Anniversary	BIRTHD	
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Thursday	8.00am	Frank & Nuala Burke, Bettystown, Meath	Anniversaries	Rosbero around	
28th August	10.00am	Vincent & Olive Doran, Church Street	Anniversaries	*Should included	
	2.00pm	Good Counsel College Mass for Feast of St. Augustine		Parish O Wednes	day b
	3.00pm	Divine Mercy Holy Hour for Vocations & Religious Life in The Blessed Sacrament Chapel		** Maxii Annivers	sary I
Friday 29th	8.00am	Eucharistic Prayer Service		* \$. 6	
August	10.00am	Frank Dalton, Ballyrue	Anniversary	BAPTISN	
Saturday 30th August	8.00am	Eucharistic Prayer Service		Luna, Fra	
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	5.00pm	Billy Cashin, Tower Grove	2nd Anniversary	Baptism:	s tak
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Sunday 31st	8.00am	Frank & Mary Doyle, Grallagh, Adamstown	Anniversaries	per bool please co	onta
August	9.00am	Thomas O'Donoghue, Waterford	Anniversary	forms w Certifica	ith a
22 nd Sunday of Ordinary Time	10.00am	Tom O'Connor, Pondfields	15th Anniversary	Guardiai Ross Par	n. If
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	3.00pm	Our Lady's Island Pilgrimage A Diocesan Celebration for the Jubilee Year		parish.	

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

> Saturday. Our Lady's (Left): -

10.00am to the following

Altar (Centre): Nickey Murphy, Millbanks, Rosbercon - Birthday Remembrance St. Joseph's (Right):

lessed Sacrament Chapel:

Remembrance

DECEASED:

nber & pray for the souls of ad, L.A, USA, Shea, New Ross & Kilkenny, ess) Hunt (nee Mugan), The Roscommon, innott, Newbawn & (Rav) Warren, New Ross assed away recently. rest in peace.

SARY PRAYERS:

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REMEMBRANCE:

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into our Christian Community is & Solomon Croasdell, Neville

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ke place on the First Saturday @ & Third Sunday @ 1.00pm each Ainimum two weeks notice is a maximum of two candidates To book your child's baptism, act the parish office. Bookings are receipt of baptismal booking a copy of the candidates Birth & Photographic ID for the f you are not residing in New a letter from the Parish you do required stating they have no your child being baptised in our



AUGUST 2025

MINISTERS OF THE

WORD:

5.00pm - Sean Furlong

9.00am - Patricia

Henneberry

10.00am - Maureen

Clarkin

12.00 Noon - Pat

Wickham

MINISTERS OF THE

EUCHARIST:

5.00pm - Rita Sinnott,

Anne Rochford &

Mary M Carroll

9.00am - Margaret

10.00am - Brendan

& Kathleen Maher

12.00 Noon - Rose

Ryan & Mairin Jackson

Please contact your

co-ordinator should

you not be able to

attend.

Sunday 24th August 2025:

Our Lady's Island Pilgrimage Mass @

3.00pm. Wednesday 27th August 2025:

UPCOMING

EVENTS

Monthly Parish Coffee Morning in the Sacristy after 10.00am Mass. All Welcome.

Thursday 28th August 2025: Good Counsel Mass for Feast of St. Augustine.

Sunday 31st August 2025:

Pilgrims of hope Jubilee 2025 - Maria Spirituality, Our Lady's Island Pilgrimage Diocesan Celebration for the Jubilee Year @ 3.00pm.

Monday 1st September 2025:

Kehoe & Mary T Royce Mass bookings will be taken up to and including February 2026. Our Lady's Murphy, David Maher Island Pilgrimage Time to Heal @

Tuesday 2nd September 2025:

Our Lady's Island Pilgrimage Ecumenical Service @ 7.30pm. To accommodate Staff Holidays the Parish Office will close @ 12.30pm

Heritage Week Ros Tapestry Free guided tours on Sunday 24th August at 2pm 3pm & 4pm. To book ring 087 3720274.



History Notes - Part 86:

THE GIRLFRIEND AT THE BLEEDING HORSE The 1789 liberal Protestant and politically

aware Catholics in Wexford watched events with great interest as the full brunt of French Revolution swept through that country. Several important liberal politicians in Wexford were early enlisters in a new society which became known as United Irishmen promoting libera reforms for the Catholic community. The United Society was quickly declared Illegal in 1793, the government fearing that armed insurrection with French support would be the outcome.

However, a national swing toward armed insurrection, with the promised aid from France grew in the following years. Early in 1798 a secret meeting of the United Irish national leadership was called to take place at Oliver Bond's travern, The Brazen Head, in Bridge Street Dublin where each county delegate was required to submit a list of members for his county. The Wexford delegate made his way towards the meeting with his list of names and addresses of Wexford United men but delayed to visit his girlfriend at The Bleeding Horse Pub (still trading today) in Camden Street. He was late in arriving at the meeting. When he arrived, he was shocked to see the area surrounded by police and military. Through spies and informers, the authorities were kept fuly informed of the activities of the illegal United Society and the captured county lists led to an immediate wave of arrests. Wexford was fortunate that their messanger was able to crept away unrecognised and the county list did not fall into the hands of the authorities. **Courtesy of Jim Sutton**

PARISH INFORMATION

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. NO Masses in Mount Carmel on Monday, Friday & Saturday.

✓ SUMUP

Mass Bookings: We are currently taking Mass bookings up to & including January 2026.

Next Weeks Readings: TWENTY SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Eccles (SIR) 3: 17-20, 28-29. Ps 67: 4-7, 10-11, R/ CF v 11. HEB 12: 18-19, 22-14. LK 14: 1, 7-14.

Weekly Collection and Supporting the Parish: Collections 17th September 2025 @ € 1,764.31 (160 No. Envelopes & 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.

Parish Office can now take card payments over the telephone.

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.

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.

2025 FERNS PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA: Led by Spiritual Directors, Fr. Denis Browne; Fr. Paddy Banville & Fr. Frank Murphy. 9th OCTOBER 2025 for 7 nights €899 per person sharing: » Direct return flights from Dublin to Lisbon » 20kg bags included » Return airport transfers in Fatima (Optional Wexford - Dublin Airport transfer) » 7 nights Hotel Avenida » Full Board: breakfast, lunch & dinner each day » Full religious programme » Guided tour of Sanctuary & Basilica of Our Lady of the Rosary » Visits to Aljustrel, Valinhos & Santarem: (Site of Eucharistic Miracle) » Optional: Travel Insurance €45 under 79 years / €65 80-94 years » Single supplement €245; Optional Wexford - Dublin Airport Transfer (Cost TBC). For information, please contact: Fr Denis Browne 086 - 892 6260 frdenisbrowne@gmail.com. For bookings, please contact: Joe Walsh Tours 01-2410800

Solemnity The jubilee for Marian Spirituality

The spirituality of Marian devotions has deep roots in the history of the Church. This devotion to the Blessed Mother has transcended time and place to become a central spiritual pillar for the faithful. From the moment Christ spoke the words "Behold your mother" (John 19:26) the Virgin Mary has been a pivotal figure in Christian devotion. The creation of hymns and prayers in honour of Mary can be found amongst the earliest writings of the Church. Marian devotion has developed and taken on many enriching forms that capture the heart of Christians everywhere.

On Sunday the 31st August, Our Lady's Island will host the Jubilee celebration for Marian spirituality. Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Nash at 3pm. Guest speaker, Alice Doyle, Deputy President of the IFA. Creation Walk at 5pm: Beginning in the church, the walk will make its way around the island stopping at various points along the way, pilgrims will be invited to ponder on the gift of creation. As we ponder the gift of life we will give thanks for all that we have received. To end our day, we will conclude with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at 6pm

Poor Clares Galway, Monastic Experience Day for women 18-35.

An opportunity to explore and experience Poor Clare life and spirituality.

The event will take place from 10am to 5pm on Saturday the 6th of September.

Contact: events@poorclares.ie to register

For more information: poorclares.ie/monastic-experience-days

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.