

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice;
turn to the Lord and his strength;
constantly seek his face.



GREETING

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

Almighty ever-living God,
increase our faith, hope and charity,
and make us love what you command,
so that we may merit what you promise.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the
Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ...

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Ecclesiasticus 35:12-14, 16-19
A reading from the Book of Ecclesiasticus

The Lord is a judge
who is no respecter of personages.
He shows no respect of personages to
the detriment of a poor man,
he listens to the plea of the injured party.
He does not ignore the orphan's
supplication nor the widow's as she pours
out her story.
The man who with his whole heart serves
God will be accepted,
his petitions will carry to the clouds.

The humble man's prayer pierces the clouds, until it arrives he is inconsolable nor will he desist until the Most High takes notice of him, acquits the virtuous and delivers judgement.
And the Lord will not be slow,
nor will he be dilatory on their behalf.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 32:2-3, 17-19. 23

R. This poor man called; the Lord heard him.

1. I will bless the Lord at all times
his praise always on my lips;
in the Lord my soul shall make its boast.
The humble shall hear and be glad. **[R]**
2. The Lord turns his face against the wicked
to destroy their remembrance from the earth.
The just call and the Lord hears
and rescues them in all their distress. **[R]**
3. The Lord is close to the broken-hearted;
those whose spirit is crushed he will save.
The Lord ransoms the souls of his servants.
Those who hide in him shall not be condemned. **[R]**

SECOND READING

2 Timothy 4: 6-8. 16 - 18

A reading from the second letter of St. Paul to Timothy

My life is already being poured away as a libation, and the time has come for me to be gone. I have fought the good fight to the end; I have run the race to the finish; I have kept the faith; all there is to come now is the crown of righteousness reserved for me, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give to me on that Day; and not only to me but to all those who have longed for his Appearing.

The first time I had to present my defence, there was not a single witness to support me. Every one of them deserted me - may they not be held accountable for it. But the Lord stood by me and gave me power, so that through me the whole message might be proclaimed for all the pagans to hear; and so I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from all evil attempts on me, and bring me safely to his heavenly kingdom. To him be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! God in Christ was reconciling the world to himself, and he has entrusted to us the news that they are reconciled. Alleluia!

GOSPEL **Luke 18: 9 - 14**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke
Jesus spoke the following parable to some people who prided themselves on

being virtuous and despised everyone else. 'Two men went up to the Temple to pray, one a Pharisee, the other a tax collector. The Pharisee stood there and said this prayer to himself, "I thank you, God, that I am not grasping, unjust, adulterous like the rest of mankind, and particularly that I am not like this tax collector here. I fast twice a week; I pay tithes on all I get." The tax collector stood some distance away, not daring even to raise his eyes to heaven; but he beat his breast and said, "God, be merciful to me, a sinner." This man, I tell you, went home again at rights with God; the other did not. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the man who humbles himself will be exalted.'

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.
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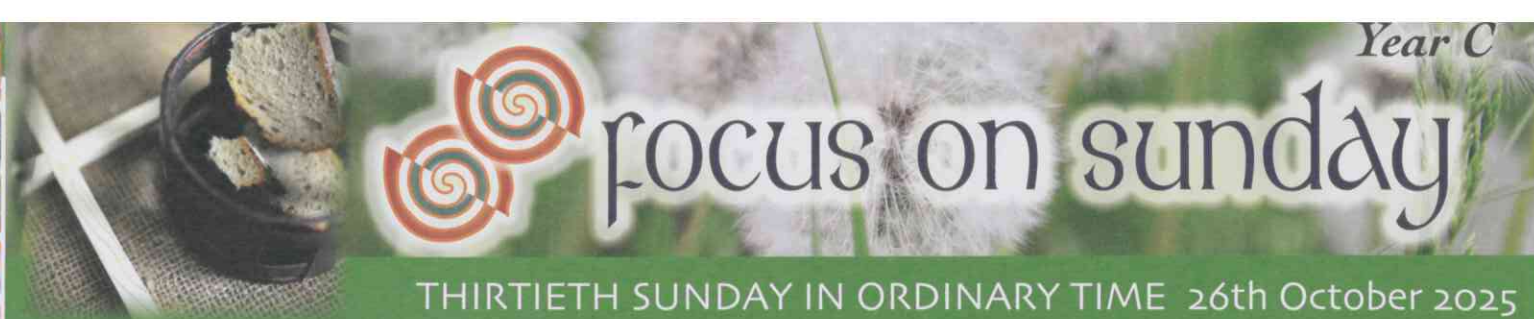
I believe in one God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God, begotten, not made,
consubstantial with 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 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

Look, we pray, O Lord,
on the offerings we make to your majesty,
that whatever is done by us in your service may be directed above all to your glory. 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.
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

We will ring out our joy at your saving help and exult in the name of our God.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

May your Sacraments, O Lord, we pray,
perfect in us what lies within them,
that what we now celebrate in signs
we may one day possess in truth.
Through Christ our Lord.

CONCLUDING RITE

The Lord be with you. **And with your spirit.**
May the peace of God,
which surpasses all understanding,
keep your hearts and minds
in the knowledge and love of God,
and of his Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

Amen.

And 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. **Thanks be to God.**

There is no point in pretending before God: he sees us exactly as we are. If we place ourselves honestly and humbly in his presence then our prayer will be heard.



Our prayer will be heard



Prayerfulness is what makes our witness to Christ credible and effective. Without prayer in our lives our witnessing will have an empty sound to it.

According to St. John Damascene, prayer is the raising of the mind and heart to God to praise, worship and adore him, and to ask him to grant what we need. Prayer takes time and attention. Time today is a very valuable commodity. Many cannot find time for prayer. There is no short-cut or fast-track prayer; we must be prepared to sacrifice something we greatly value if we are serious about prayer: precious time.

Prayer should come from an honest heart. When we pray for peace our own lives should be marked by peace with those around us. If we pray for peace while at the same time nursing a grudge against someone, our prayer will lack an element of integrity and be less effective.

We do not pray to inform God about our needs. He already knows what we really need. We pray to present ourselves before God to tell our story, admit our faults and to become more aware that God's love covers everything, including our sins.

We pray to find peace so we can once again feel good, let go of the day's failures, get some sleep, and start again tomorrow.

Regular prayer renews us, gets us back on track, and gives us fresh courage to go forward. Prayerfulness is an awareness of the continuing presence of God, the capacity to walk in touch with God through everything in life.

Fr. Joe Walsh

Jesus' Story

Fr. Liam Hickey

When we talk to the Spirit of God in our hearts, are we always talking about ourselves, and maybe forgetting the Love, Forgiveness and Wonder God is? One Saint said that when we meet God in Heaven, God will ask only one question. Did you enjoy my creation? The wonder of love, of children, friendship, nature, food and flowers.



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All 8.00am Masses & Eucharistic Prayer Services are in Mount Carmel Monastery Chapel.



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

Date	Time		
Saturday 25th Oct	5.00pm	Sheree Murray, Michael Street	1st Anniversary
	7.00pm	Polish Community Mass	
Sunday 26th October 30 th Sunday of Ordinary Time	8.00am	Martin Kielthy, The Bosheen	8th Anniversary
	9.00am	Noel Blanche, Cross Lane	Anniversary
	10.00am	Aidan & Nancy Byrne, Cross Street	Anniversaries
	12.00 Noon		
Monday 27th October BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY	8.00am	Morning Prayer & Communion Service	
	9.30am	Rosary is recited every morning in the Parish Church from Monday to Saturday, however on the Saturday of the month the Novena to Our Lady of Fatima is held @ 9.15am	
	10.00am	Margaret & John Sutton, Shallows Park	Anniversaries
Tuesday 28th October	8.00am	Hugo French, Victoria Place	Anniversary
	10.00am	Pat & Dan Dunne, Terrerath & Portmarnock, Dublin & Jimmy Robinson, Athy, Kildare	Anniversaries
	10.00am	Eucharistic Adoration until 8.00pm	
Wednesday 29th October CORPUS MORNING	8.00am	Intentions of the People of the Parish	
	10.00am	Joan & Dick Byrne, Charleton Hill & High Hill	3rd & 1st Anniversaries
	Parish Monthly Coffee Morning in the Sacristy after Mass. All Welcome		
Thursday 30th October	8.00am	Gerard Fox, Dublin	Birthday Remembrance
	10.00am	Paddy Allen, Michael Street	Anniversary
	3.00pm	Divine Mercy Holy Hour for Vocations & Religious Life in The Blessed Sacrament Chapel	
Friday 31st October	8.00am	Morning Prayer & Communion Service	
	10.00am	Frankie Doyle, Priory Street	40th Anniversary
Saturday 1st November - Graveside Blessings will take place throughout the day All Saints' Day	8.00am	Jack & Mary Murray, their Son; Aidan & their Son in Law; Matt Foley, Aclamon & Boley	Anniversaries & Remembrance
	Graveside Blessing in Mount Carmel Cemetery after 8.00am Mass		
	10.00am	Parish Mass Association	
	Graveside Blessings in Priests' Graveyard after 10.00am Mass		
	11.00am	Graveside Blessings in St. Mary's Cemetery	
	11.15am	Graveside Blessings in St. Stephen's Cemetery	
	5.00pm	Annual Deceased Parishioners Remembrance Mass	Remembrance
7.00pm	Polish Community Mass		
Sunday 2nd November All Souls' Day	8.00am	Pious 1	
	9.00am	John Murphy, Southknock	6th Anniversary
	10.00am	Remembering Faithful Departed of the Parish	Remembrance
	12.00 Noon	Michael Brennan, Mountelliott Ellen O'Flaherty, Lower William Street & Stephen (Golly) Boland, Drummond, St. Mullins	Months Mind Months Minds



UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday 26th October 2025: Clocks go back 1 Hour.
Monday 27th October 2025: Bank Holiday. Parish Office Closed.
Wednesday 29th October 2025: Monthly Parish Coffee Morning in the Sacristy after 10.00am Mass. All Welcome.
Saturday 1st November 2025: All Saints Day. No Vigil Mass on Friday 31st October. Masses @ 8.00am in Mount Carmel, 10.00am in the Parish Church. Graveside Blessings will take place in Mount Carmel Cemetery after 8.00am Mass, in the Priests' Graveyard (Church Grounds) after 12.00 Noon Mass, St. Stephens Cemetery @ 11.00am & St. Marys Cemetery @ 11.15am. Please bring Holy Water for Grave Blessings. Deceased Parishioners Remembrance Mass will take place @ 5.00pm.
Sunday 2nd November 2025: All Souls Day. Masses as usual.
Monday 3rd November 2025: Mass bookings will be taken up to and including April 2026.
Saturday 8th November 2025: Pilgrims of hope Jubilee 2025 - The Word of God. As part of the diocesan calendar for the Jubilee celebrations, the diocese of Ferns will come together in St. Aidan's Church in Ferns village to celebrate the WORD of GOD from 2.00pm - 5.00pm.
Wednesday 26th November 2025: Monthly Parish Coffee Morning in the Sacristy after 10.00am Mass. All Welcome.
Sunday 30th November 2025: First Sunday of Advent.

OCTOBER 2025
MINISTERS OF THE WORD:
5.00pm - Margaret Rossiter
9.00am - Paul Harrington
10.00am - Anne Teague
12.00 Noon - Aileen Dunne
MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:
5.00pm - Fiona Cullen, Mary Rowe & Liam Nolan
9.00am - Sr Eucharía
10.00am - Mary M. Carroll, Maureen Clarkin & Lizzie Connors
12.00 Noon - Murray O'Brien & Rose Ryan
Please contact your co-ordinator should you not be able to attend.



Set your clocks BACK one hour before going to bed tonight.



NEW ROSS PARISH SACRAMENTS 2026

Confirmations 7th March
Communions 2nd May



History Notes - Part 95:
THE EARLIEST RECORDING OF NEW ROSS
King John landed at Passage with a large army on the 20th June 1210. His primary aim was to establish and confirm his lordship over his Norman subjects, who had invaded Ireland some forty years earlier. His financial records give an accurate account of his tour. On 21st June he arrived in our town and addressed correspondence from *Pons Novis Villa Willielmi Marescalli* meaning The Town of the New Bridge of William Marshall. This record makes it plain that there was already a town (or the beginnings of one), created by William Marshall in 1210, as the term *Villa* was used in Norman French to denote town. It also shows that the town was already linked to the Kilkenny side of the Barrow by a bridge. William Marshall visited Ireland briefly, twice, where his main seat was at Kilkenny and it is thought that his wife, Isabella, grand-daughter of Diarmaid MacMurrough (who invited the Normans to Ireland in 1169), was mainly responsible for the development of our town. She is shown leaning over the mapping table at the building of St. Mary's in the Ros Tapestry panel Gothic Glory. King John with his army proceeded across the bridge to the manor of William FitzAnthony whose association is preserved in its name Baile Mhic Andáin, Thomastown, and then on to Kilkenny. He returned to England from Dublin, having received submission from the descendants of the original invading Normans.
Courtesy of Jim Sutton





Starts this November

Sunday School

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION ART & CRAFTS
BIBLE STORIES MUSIC & SONGS PRAYERS & ACTIVITIES

Sunday's during 10:00am Mass

BOOK A PLACE FOR YOUR CHILD / GRANDCHILD
CALL THE PARISH OFFICE ON 051 421348

In Remembrance

RECENTLY DECEASED:
We remember & pray for the souls of - Eileen Flood (nee Morrissey), Clonroche & Enniscorthy, John Gannon, The Rower, Kilkenny & Nunnery Lane who have passed away recently. May they rest in peace.

ANNIVERSARY PRAYERS:
We remember & pray for the souls of - Henry Rellis, The Bosheen, Hugo French, Victoria Place, Matt Flannelly, Haughton Place, Stacia Purcell, Maiden Lane & The Roche family, Lower Michael Street & Walton-On-Thames and Oxford, UK, 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.

Congratulations

BAPTISMS:
We welcome into our Christian Community: Saoirse Bennett O'Gorman, Mount Carmel & Conor Ryan, Riverview, 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 four 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.



Sanctuary Lamp Intentions:
Available @ €10.00 / week. Commencing Saturday @ 10.00am to the following Saturday.

Our Lady's (Left):
Gerard Fox, Dublin RIP - Birthday Remembrance

Altar (Centre):
Joe Kearney, Chambersland Close RIP - Remembrance

St. Joseph's (Right):

Blessed Sacrament Chapel:

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.