

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Within your will, O Lord, all things are established, and there is none that can resist your will. For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth, and all that is held within the circle of heaven; you are the Lord of all.

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

Have mercy on us, O Lord.
For we have sinned against you.
Show us, O Lord, your mercy.
And grant us your salvation.

May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life. **Amen.**

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

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,
who in the abundance of your kindness
surpass the merits and the desires of
those who entreat you, pour out your
mercy upon us to pardon what conscience
dreads and to give what prayer does not
dare to ask.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ....

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING *Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2 - 4*

A reading from the prophet Habakkuk

How long, Lord, am I to cry for help
while you will not listen;
to cry 'Oppression!' in your ear
and you will not save?
Why do you set injustice before me,
why do you look on where there is tyranny
Outrage and violence, this is all I see,
all is contention, and discord flourishes.
Then the Lord answered and said,
'Write the vision down, inscribe it on

tablets to be easily read, since this vision
is for its own time only: eager for its own
fulfilment, it does not deceive; if it comes
slowly, wait, for come it will, without fail.
'See how he flags, he whose soul is not at
rights, but the upright man will live by his
faithfulness.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM *Ps.94: 1-2. 6-9*

R. O that today you would listen to his voice! Harden not your hearts.

1. Come, ring out our joy to the Lord;
hail the rock who saves us.
Let us come before him, giving thanks,
with songs let us hail the Lord. **[R]**
2. Come in; let us bow and bend low;
let us kneel before the God who made us
for he is our God and we
the people who belong to his pasture,
the flock that is led by his hand. **[R]**
3. O that today you would listen to his voice!
'Harden not your hearts as at Meribah,
as on that day at Massah in the desert
when your fathers put me to the test;
when they tried me, though they saw
my work.' **[R]**

SECOND READING

2 Timothy 1:6 - 8 13 - 14

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

I am reminding you to fan into a flame
the gift that God gave you when I laid my
hands on you. God's gift was not a spirit
of timidity, but the Spirit of power, and
love, and self-control. So you are never to
be ashamed of witnessing to the Lord, or
ashamed of me for being his prisoner; but
with me, bear the hardships for the sake
of the Good News, relying on the power
of God.
Keep as your pattern the sound teaching
you have heard from me, in the faith and
love that are in Christ Jesus. You have
been trusted to look after something
precious; guard it with the help of the Holy
Spirit who lives in us.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

**Speak, Lord, your servant is listening:
you have the message of eternal life.
Alleluia!**

GOSPEL

Luke 17: 5 - 10

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.
The apostles said to the Lord, 'Increase
our faith.' The Lord replied, 'Were your
faith the size of a mustard seed you could
say to this mulberry tree, "Be uprooted
and planted in the sea", and it would obey
you.'

'Which of you, with a servant ploughing
or minding sheep, would say to him when
he returned from the fields, "Come and
have your meal immediately"? Would he
not be more likely to say, "Get my supper
laid; make yourself tidy and wait on me
while I eat and drink. You can eat and
drink yourself afterwards"? Must he be
grateful to the servant for doing what he
was told? So with you: when you have
done all you have been told to do, say,
"We are merely servants: we have done
no more than our duty." '

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,

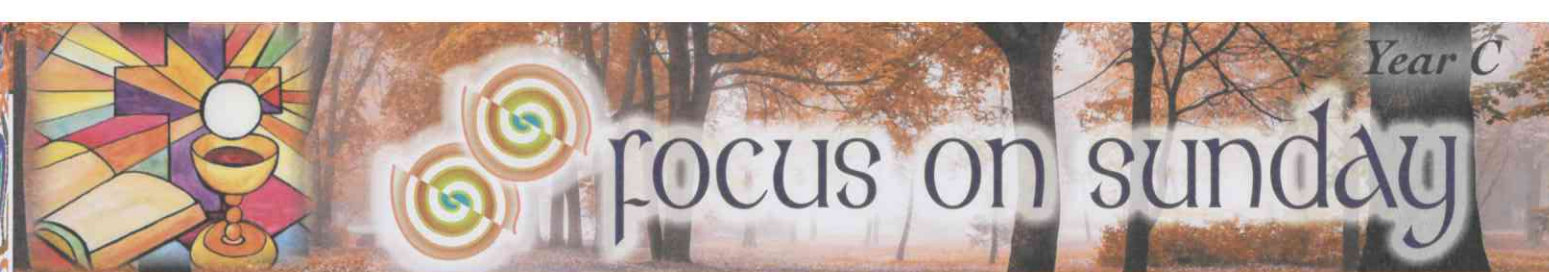
All bow for following three lines:

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.**



TWENTY - SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 5th October 2025

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Accept, O Lord, we pray,
the sacrifices instituted by your commands
and, through the sacred mysteries,
which we celebrate with dutiful service,
graciously complete the sanctifying work
by which you are pleased to redeem us.
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.
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

**Though many, we are one bread, one
body, for we all partake of the one Bread
and one Chalice.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Grant us, almighty God,
that we may be refreshed and nourished
by the Sacrament which we have received,
so as to be transformed into what we
consume.
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,
Thanks be to God.

**Faith is a gift which is deepened or weakened in the experiences
of our lives. Joy and success can make it easy to believe in God;
sorrow and failure threatens our faith in God's care. Our readings
encourage us to keep faith in all life's ups and downs.**




I grew up in a loving home, my parents cared for me, got
me a good education. And growing up, I took all that for
granted – until I started hearing the stories of homeless
people, many of whom grew up in what I call disaster
homes. What did I do to deserve the family I was born into, to deserve
the education I got, to deserve the health I have enjoyed? Nothing. That
was all handed to me as a free gift. I have been blessed in life. But
that doesn't make me a better person than those whose lives have been
damaged by their childhood experiences, some of whom have ended up
in jail, or in addiction, or living on the street. I can't take any credit for what
I have been given. I am just an unworthy servant, who has been given so
much. And God asks me to use responsibly what I have been given, in
the service of the needs of others, many of whom have been given far less
than me. The only solid foundation for a relationship with God is gratitude,
gratitude for what we have been given. And gratitude leads to trust, trust
that that same love that gave me so much in the past, will continue to lead
me into the future. And trust leads to surrender, to give my life over to God
and accept whatever God has in store for me. And surrender leads to
peace, a peace that the world cannot give.

Fr. Peter McVerry

Jesus' Story


Fr. Liam Hickey

The best prayer is a "Thank You" prayer, because we receive all gifts from God. My
birth is a gift of God. My breath is a gift of God. We go to Mass to say Thanks. We
thank You, God Our Father. You made us to live for You, and for each other. We
sing Thank You God for giving us life. Thank You God for giving us love. Thank
You God for giving us joy.



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

Date	Time		
Saturday 4th Oct	5.00pm	Patrick O'Neill, Newtown Commons	1st Anniversary
	7.00pm	Polish Community Mass	
Sunday 5th Oct <div></div>	8.00am	Pat & Kitty McDonald, William Street	Anniversaries
	9.00am	Carmel, Kathleen & Martin Dwyer, Ard na Greine	Anniversaries
	10.00am	Peggy & Sam Hill, South Street	Anniversaries
	12.00 Noon	Ellen Bowe, Abbey Hall	Anniversary
Monday 6th Oct	8.00am	Morning Prayer & Communion Service	
	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	
	10.00am	Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Cahill, Lower Michael Street, formerly JKL Place	Anniversary
Tuesday 7th Oct <div></div>	8.00 am	Anna Flynn, Barrack Lane	Anniversary
	10.00am	Martin & Mollie Murphy, Ryleen	Anniversaries
	10.00am	Eucharistic Adoration until 8.00pm	
Wednesday 8th Oct	8.00am	Intentions of the People of the Parish	
	10.00am	Edward & Mary Kehoe, The Rower	Anniversaries
Thursday 9th Oct	8.00am	Teresa (Tessie) O'Connor, Old Pondfields	Anniversary
	10.00am	Thomas & Catherine McGee, Carrigbyrne	Anniversaries
<div></div>	3.00pm	Divine Mercy Holy Hour for Vocations & Religious Life in The Blessed Sacrament Chapel	
Friday 10th October	8.00am	Morning Prayer & Communion Service	
	10.00am	Ann & Jacqueline O'Neill, The Bosheen	5th & 6th Anniversaries
Saturday 11th October	8.00am	Morning Prayer & Communion Service	
	10.00am	Parish Mass Association	
	5.00pm	Teresa Jackson (nee Moran), Hillview	1st Anniversary
	7.00pm	Polish Community Mass	
Sunday 12th October <div></div>	8.00am	Michael & Hannah Duignan, Piltown, Kilkenny	Anniversaries
	9.00am	Patrick Rossiter, Michael Street	Anniversary
	10.00am	Mary Coughlan (nee Gunning), Southknock	1st Anniversary
	12.00 Noon	Patrick (Pat) O'Brien, Newcastle-Upon-Tyne, UK & Ard Mhicil	Months Mind & Birthday Remembrance




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

Our Lady's (Left):
The Bowe Family - Remembrance

Altar (Centre):
The Ryan Family - Remembrance

St. Joseph's (Right):
Ellen Bowe - Anniversary Remembrance

Blessed Sacrament Chapel:
Special Healing Intention




In Remembrance

RECENTLY DECEASED:
We remember & pray for the souls of - Elizabeth (Betty) Davis (nee Fitzpatrick), Ballybrittas, Laois, Sr. Marguerite (Margaret) Lyng R.S.H.M., The Rower, Kilkenny, Martina (Tina) Holden, Chambersland, Fr. Tommy Eustace, Barntown, retired & former Parish Priest of Our Lady's Island and Ferns & Michael Brennan, Mountelliott, who have passed away recently. May they rest in peace.

ANNIVERSARY PRAYERS:
We remember & pray for the souls of - Jim Tobin (6th Anniversary), William Street, Elizabeth Martin (7th Anniversary), Arnestown, Joe O'Mahony (5th Anniversary), Camblin, Ellen Bowe, Abbey Hall & Jack & Kitty Freaney, Wexford Street 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: Dolly O'Connor Murphy, Waterside, Rosbercon, Grace Taylor, NSW, Australia & Eabha St. Ledger, Ferrybank, Waterford, 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.



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 Eucharia
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.


Abide in His Love - Women's Conference
November 21st-23rd at The Great Northern Hotel, Bundoran Co. Donegal. An Amazing event for women exploring the beauty & gift of their feminine identity in Christ. Check out Eventbrite for tickets & more information. Not to be missed!

Ladies watch found in the church after recent funeral, please contact the Parish Office.

History Notes - Part 92: THE BRUGESSES OF ROSS

The Anglo-Norman founders of Irish towns introduced Charters laying down rules for the establishment and development of their new properties. The recipients of large tracts of land, who needed settlers to lead its development, offered the bribe of burgess status as a strategy to attract colonists from Britain. The foundation Charters to towns granted plots of land to burgesses within the borough at a very small annual rent. These plots were known as burgess plots, with a specified frontage to main roadways and a substantial plot of land behind the frontage. Other privileges included freedom of movement and freedom from certain taxes and the right to self-administration. In return, the town founders received rent, market tolls and court fines, and the town became a market place for the produce of their manors or farms. The early burgess became the traders and shopkeepers as they carried on their trades and utilised the plots for manufacture and storage of their produce. The number of towns and boroughs established in Ireland between 1169 and 1300 indicates the offer of burgess tenure succeeded in attracting large numbers of urban colonists into Ireland during that period. In our town, Mary Street and Michael Street still bear the footprint of burgess properties with houses fronting on to the street, behind which ran substantial plots of ground used by later generation as fruit and vegetable gardens.

Courtesy of Jim Sutton



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.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday 15th October 2025:
Medjugorje Pilgrimage Celebration Mass at 7pm Celebrated with Rt. Rev. Msgr. Don Kenny. Refreshments afterwards in the Sacristy. All are welcome.

Monday 20th October 2025: Pilgrims of hope Jubilee 2025 - Youth

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. Masses to be confirmed. Deceased Parishioners Remembrance Mass will take place @ 5.00pm.

Sunday 2nd November 2025: All Souls Day. Masses as usual. 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.

Monday 3rd November 2025: Mass bookings will be taken up to and including April 2026.

Due to essential repairs to the surface at the Robert Street Church Gate, there be no access to Church grounds through that gate from Tuesday 7th October to Saturday 11th October.







PILGRIMAGE

NEW ROSS PARISH CHURCH

Medjugorje Pilgrimage Celebration Mass
Wednesday 15th October 2025
@ 7.00pm
Celebrant: Monsignor Don Kenny
All Welcome.
(Refreshments served afterwards & please bring your petitions)




Monastic Vocations Weekend (October 24-27)



CISTERCIAN NUNS

The Cistercians at Glencairn Abbey invite you to discern God's call to monastic life, as lived here since 1932. If you are a single woman between the ages of 19-40, come and experience our life of prayer, work, hospitality and liturgy in the solitude and beauty of St Mary's Abbey, Glencairn, Co Waterford. Visit our website www.glencairnabbey.org

Contact Sr Mairead, Novice Mistress:
vocations@glencairnabbey.org



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

Prayers for the Pre-Synodal Assembly of the Catholic Church in Ireland

All Catholics are invited to pray for a special gathering that will take place in Kilkenny on 18 October, called a Pre-Synodal Assembly of the Catholic Church in Ireland. This assembly is an important juncture on the journey towards a National Synodal Assembly to be held in 2026. Around 240 people will be in attendance and these are drawn from each diocese on the island, Religious Congregations and Church movements. A preparatory document, entitled *Baptised and Sent* - the fruits of listening sessions across Ireland last spring - will be the basis for discussion at this gathering, and for the next stage of the journey of renewal. Central to the document is a renewed focus on baptism as the foundation of our Christian dignity, unity, and mission and how baptism infuses the life and mission of the Church in Ireland today and into the future. You are invited to read this document by visiting www.synod.ie/baptised-and-sent-preparatory-document-available-now/

Please pray that the Holy Spirit will guide the conversations at Kilkenny, and those flowing from it, as we walk together as sisters and brothers of Christ, united by our baptism and filled with hope.

