

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

You are just, O Lord, and your judgement is right; treat your servant in accord with your merciful love.

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 healed the sick:
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Lord Jesus, you forgave sinners:
Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

Lord Jesus, you give yourself to heal us
and bring us strength:
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, by whom we are redeemed
and receive adoption,
look graciously upon your beloved
sons and daughters,
that those who believe in Christ
may receive true freedom
and an everlasting inheritance.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ....

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING *Ezekiel 33: 7 - 9*

A reading from the prophet Ezekiel

The word of the Lord was addressed to me as follows, 'Son of man, I have appointed you as sentry to the House of Israel. When you hear a word from my mouth, warn them in my name. If I say to a wicked man: Wicked wretch, you are to die, and you do not speak to warn the wicked man to renounce his ways, then he shall die for his sin, but I will hold you responsible for his death. If, however, you do warn a wicked man to renounce his ways and repent, and he does not repent,

then he shall die for his sin, but you yourself will have saved your life.'

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]**

LOVE YOUR
Neighbour
AS YOURSELF

SECOND READING *Romans 13: 8 - 10*

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans.

Avoid getting into debt, except the debt of mutual love. If you love your fellow men you have carried out your obligations. All the commandments: You shall not commit adultery, you shall not kill, you shall not steal, you shall not covet, and so on, are summed up in this single command: You must love your neighbour as yourself. Love is the one thing that cannot hurt your neighbour; that is why it is the answer to every one of the commandments.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!
Your word is truth, O Lord,
consecrate us in the truth.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL *Matthew 18: 15 - 20*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'If your brother does something wrong, go and have it out with him alone, between your two selves. If he listens to you, you have won back your brother. If he does not listen, take one or two others along with you: the evidence of two or three witnesses is required to sustain any charge. But if he

refuses to listen to these, report it to the community; and if he refuses to listen to the community, treat him like a pagan or a tax collector.

'I tell you solemnly, whatever you bind on earth shall be considered bound in heaven; whatever you loose on earth shall be considered loosed in heaven.

'I tell you solemnly once again, if two of you on earth agree to ask anything at all, it will be granted to you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three meet in my name, I shall be there with them.'

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.

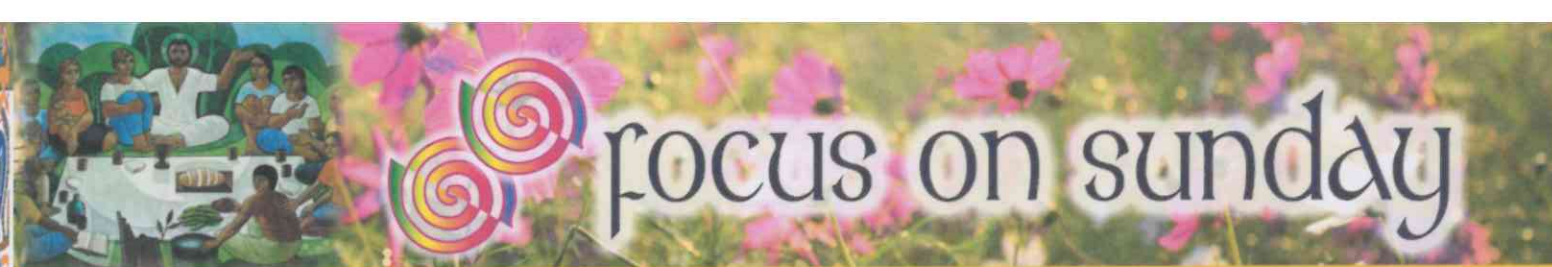
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver
of life, who proceeds from the Father and
the Son, who with the Father and the Son is
adored and glorified, who has spoken through
the prophets.

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-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 6th September 2026 Year A

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

O God, who give us the gift
of true prayer and of peace,
graciously grant that through this offering,
we may do fitting homage to your divine
majesty, and, by partaking of the sacred
mystery, we may be faithfully united in mind
and heart.
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

I am the light of the world, says the Lord; whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Grant that your faithful, O Lord,
whom you nourish and endow with life
through the food of your Word and heavenly
Sacrament,
may so benefit from your beloved Son's
great gifts that we may merit an eternal
share in his life.
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

CONCLUDING RITE

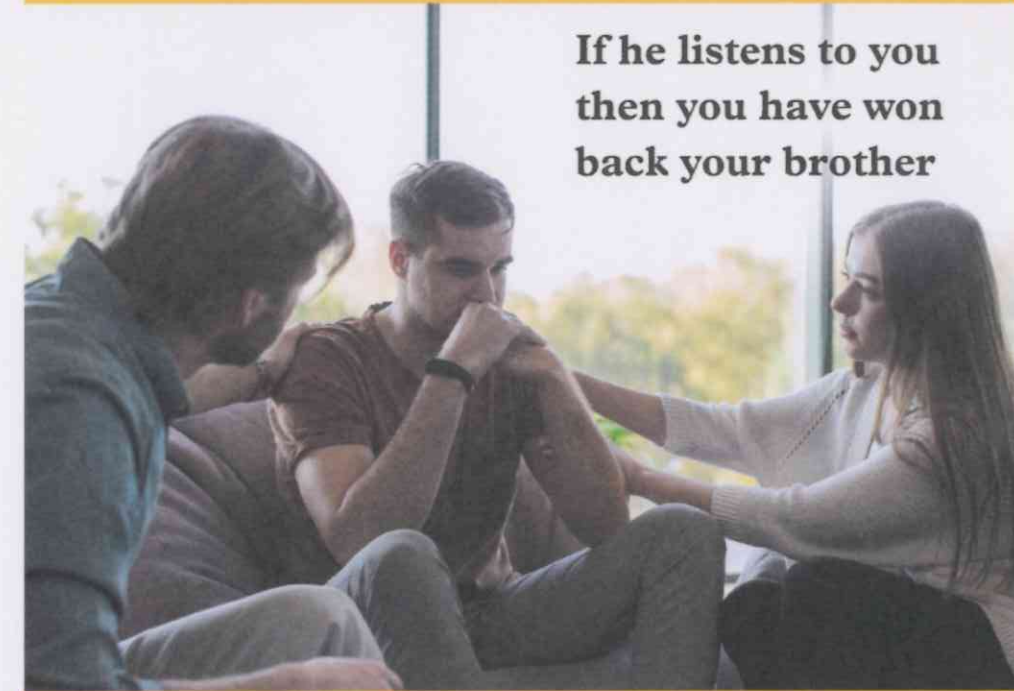
The Lord be with you.
And with your spirit.

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..**

The gospel message is one of joy, rooted in the love and care of Christ for everyone. Today Jesus spells out our Christian family duty - to have a responsibility towards each other: we cannot stand by idly and watch others harm themselves.

If he listens to you
then you have won
back your brother



Our common home

Matthew chapter 18 is concerned with how the early Christian community might live together in harmony. It reminds us that the church should be a place where the least are considered the greatest and the last first; where we look out for the most vulnerable, where we are accountable to one another and forgive each other. The teaching reminds us that as church, we belong to one another, sisters and brothers, one body (1 Cor 12).

As we enter into the Season of Creation, this is an appropriate text for it invites us to reflect on how we are called to live in harmony. The realities of the ecological crises our world faces today highlights the great disharmony which exists between humanity and God's creation. We are not living in right relationship with the natural world nor with our sisters and brothers who are suffering the most from the climate and biodiversity crises. We are not living in right relationship with young people who are now growing up for "we may well be leaving to coming generations, debris, desolation and filth" (Laudato Si' §161). Pope Francis called the destruction of nature an ecological sin. This is not easy to hear, for it makes demands on us. The good news is that there is a cure. The Season of Creation invites us to a profound interior conversion where our relationship with nature is concerned and asks us to reflect on how we might care more deeply for God's creation. For this is our common home, the home we all share. We are not alone, Christ is with us on this journey: "For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them".

Jane Mellett & Triona Doherty. Adapted from The Deep End – A Journey through the Sunday Gospels in the Year of Matthew, Messenger Publications, Dublin, 2022.



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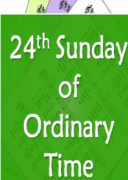
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Please call into the Sacristy BEFORE Mass to remind the celebrant of the Intention.			
Date	Time		
Saturday 5th September	5.00pm	Billy Cashin, Tower Grove	Anniversary
Sunday 6th September 	8.00am	Tom Walsh, "Aisling", Lower Southknock	Anniversary
	10.00am	Susan Halpin, Mountgarrett	Anniversary
		 Children's Sunday School in the Sacristy during 10.00am Mass	
	12.00 Noon	Tony (Anthony) Brennan, Robert Street	Months Mind 
Monday 7th September	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	Dermot Cullen, Bishopsland	Anniversary
Tuesday 8th September 	8.00am	Special Intentions	Special Intentions
	10.00am	Pat & Bridie O'Farrell, Southknock	Anniversaries
	Adoration takes place every Tuesday after Mass until 8.00pm		
Wed 9th September	8.00am	Morning Prayer & Communion Service	
	10.00am	People of the Parish & Parish Mass Association Special Intentions	Remembrance Special Intentions
Thursday 10th September 	8.00am	Special Intentions	Special Intentions
	10.00am	Mary Mullett, Charleton Hill	Anniversary
	3.00pm	Divine Mercy Holy Hour for Vocations & Religious life in The Blessed Sacrament Chapel	
Friday 11th September	8.00am	Morning Prayer & Communion Service	
	10.00am	The Kehoe Family, Bewley Street	Anniversaries
Saturday 12th September	8.00am	Morning Prayer & Communion Service	
	5.00pm	Mary Mullett, Charleton Hill	Anniversary
Sunday 13th September 	8.00am	Robbie, Bidy & John Walshe, South Street	Anniversaries
	10.00am	Michael & Eileen Nolan, Southknock	Anniversaries
		 Children's Sunday School in the Sacristy during 10.00am Mass	
	12.00 Noon	Pat Butler, Newtown House, Newtown Commons Joe O'Keeffe, Mount Garrett	Months Mind & Birthday Remembrance Months Mind 



Sanctuary Lamp Intentions:
Candles are a wonderful part of our Catholic tradition. We light them at all prayers in our Church. Candles aid the focus of our prayer. Have you been asked by a family member or a friend to "Light a candle for me" as comfort & assurance of Prayer?
Available @ €10.00 / week. Commencing Saturday @ 10.00am to the following Saturday.
Our Lady's (Left):
Special Intentions
Altar (Centre):
Owenie Furlong, Ballyrue Lower - Remembrance
St. Joseph's (Right):
Special Intentions
Blessed Sacrament Chapel:
Special Intentions



RECENTLY DECEASED:
We remember & pray of the souls of - Fr. Emmanuel Kallarakal, Rome, Italy, Frances (Fran) Keegan (nee Murphy), Chapelizod, Dublin & New Ross, Anselm Griffin, Woodbine Avenue, Blackrock, Dublin, Kathleen Morrissey (nee Power), Glenmore & New Ross & (John) Cyril, Motherway, Raheny, Dublin & New Ross, who have passed away recently. May they rest in peace.
ANNIVERSARY PRAYERS:
We remember & pray for the souls of - Harry Doherty (19th Anniversary), Mount Carmel, Billy Howlett, Palace East, Clonroche & his parents; Jack & Bridget, 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.



BAPTISMS:
We welcome into our Christian Community: Liam John Baro Arayan, Castle Annagh Lodge, Lilyanna Destiney Murphy, Priory Court & Rian Matthew Furness, The Orchard, who were baptised recently in our Parish Church.
*Baptisms take place on the First Saturday & Third Sunday @ 1.00pm each month. A Minimum two weeks notice is required & a maximum of four candidates per booking. No Private Baptism booking can be accommodated. 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.

History Notes - Part 139:
THE LAND LEAGUE HUT
The road to Rochestown branches right off the main Wexford road just before the Ballymacar Roundabout. Close to this branching stands the remains of an old Land League Hut. It is now obscured by a tall growth of ash and the entrance is overgrown and blocked, but last time I visited the hut several years ago it was still in reasonably good repair. It then appeared to be in use as a social venue where locals gathered to play cards. As the name suggests, these buildings were associated with the land struggles of the 1880/1890s when the Land League and the landlord organisations were locked in a bitter struggle over land and rents. Disputes between land owners and tenants were common and evictions were often made national headlines. Part of the strategy of the National Land League was to assist in providing temporary accommodation for evicted tenants, and the Ballymacar hut was one such buildings. The impasse between landlord and tenant continued until the government eventually stepped in and financed the transfer of ownership from landlord to tenant on a long term loan-to-tenant basis. The hut at Ballymacar is a reminder of those trials and tribulations of long ago.
Courtesy of Jim Sutton





ALL DAY PARKING PROHIBITED. CHURCH GATE CLOSES @ 6.00PM EVERY EVENING. CHURCH GROUNDS CONSTITUTE A SACRED SPACE. PARKING IS RESERVED EXCLUSIVELY FOR CHURCH USERS. IN THE INTEREST OF SAFETY WE REQUEST PARKING TO TAKE PLACE IN DESIGNATED AREAS ONLY. ONE WAY SYSTEM IN OPERATION.

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 please contact: Fr. Roger O'Neill - Vocations Director, Email: vocations@ferns.ie



Breast Cancer Awareness Month 2026 takes place Thurs 1st Oct, 2026 – Saturday 31st Oct 2026. For more information, please visit breastcancerresearch.ie or www.breastcancerireland.com.

International Coffee Day 2026 takes place on Thursday, October 1st, 2026. Please see www.internationalcoffeeday.org for further details.



SEPTEMBER 2026
MINISTERS OF THE WORD:
5.00pm - Anne Rochford
10.00am - Catriona Murphy
12.00 Noon - Pat Rossiter
MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:
5.00pm - Mary M. Carroll, Fiona Cullen, Liam Nolan
10.00am - Sr. Eucharua, Nan Furlong, Catherine O'Gara & Khanh Phi Tran
12.00 Noon - Rita Condon, Mairin Jackson
Please contact your co-ordinator should you not be able to attend.



Bishop Ger Nash Episcopal Installation as Bishop of Ossory Sunday September 13th at 3:00pm Watch live on: <https://www.stmaryscathedral.ie/webcam/>

Congratulations & God Bless You from New Ross Parish.



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.








Icon Classes in New Ross This September.
What do you know about Religious Icons?
If you wish to find out more, you have a chance to create your own beautiful icon, please contact Sr. Helen Therese at the Carmelite Monastery, New Ross, Wexford 087-2181687.
Sr. Helen is starting new courses for both beginners and experienced artists alike, in New Ross, in September 2026.
The cost includes everything you need, to produce a beautiful icon, and tuition.
Spaces are limited, so please book early.