

Parish of Newmarket on Fergus - Carrigerry - The Wells

Parish Office open on Mon, Tue, Thur & Friday 10.00am - 2.30pm. Closed on Wednesdays.

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2nd Sunday of Easter

28th April 2019

Sacristans

Bridget O' Halloran : Newmarket
Mary Barron: The Wells
Bernadette Glynn: Carrigerry

Newmarket

Sun 28 11am Paddy Corry, Lemenagh
Patsy and Johnny Lynch, Ballinacragga
Annie and John Lovett, Ballinacragga & their grand daughter Nicole Daly
Jerry Kennedy, Ennis Road.
Joan Cullen, Ballycar Road. Month's Mind and her brother Des McNulty, anniversary

Mon 29 10am Pat and Hannah Wallace, Kilcock.

Tue 30 10am Daily Mass

Wed 1 10am Daily Mass

Thur 2 10am Daily Mass

Fri 3 10am Daily Mass

7pm Mary Cuneen, and Michael McInerney, 79 Kilnasoolagh Park

Sun 5 11am Michael, Bridget and Anna Grogan, Kilnasoolagh
Kay Meere, Knocknagun
Patsy Duggan, formerly of Ballygireen who died recently in the UK.

Wells

Sat 27 6pm Frank O'Brien, Clonmoney

Sat 4 6pm Michael and Merlyn Quinn, Low Road
John Gary, Drumline. Month's Mind

Carrigerry

Sun 28 9am Sunday Mass

Sun 5 9am Sunday Mass

Recent Death: Pray for the happy repose of the souls of
Mike Tuohy, Shannon and late of Lislea
Canon Reuben Butler.

May they rest in peace

GAA NEWS: What an absolutely brilliant night The Chaser was! Great standard of contestant and some priceless banter. Colin V Colin was a hilarious tussle and must surely go a rematch some day! Well done to all those hardworking loyal club members who made it happen and to our generous sponsors and advertisers.

Congratulations to our TEN €40 Lotto Winners - Lisa Walshe, Tomas Ryan, Carmel Cullinan, Declan Conroy, Paddy Quinn, Anne Fitzgerald, Barry McGuire, Mike O'Donoghue, Mariusz Kodak, Sandra McCarthy. Jackpot is now €9950!

Rosary at the Grottos : We are asking people to please look around your area for a Marian grotto or shrine and consider making the commitment to visit it and pray a rosary there every day of May. Many people, groups and parishes already have the beautiful tradition of May rosaries at their local grotto. Please let us know about your grotto or shrine by registering it at this email

First Friday: 3rd May, there will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after the evening mass

Fatima Hour: 4th May, the Rosary will be recited in Newmarket Church from 2pm to 3pm.

A Mass for Sri Lanka: Bishop Brendan Leahy will celebrate a Mass for Sri Lanka, especially for the victims of the Easter Sunday bombings, in the Redemptorist Church, Limerick, on Sunday April 28th at 7.15pm

Divine Mercy Sunday 28th . Ennis Cathedral 2.30 led by Bishop Fintan Monahan



Canon Reuben Butler 1931—2019

We the parishioners of Newmarket-on-Fergus, Wells and Carrigerry feel a loss that is truly profound on the death of Canon Reuben. We unite with Reuben's family, relatives, friends, bishop and priests in celebrating the life of a much loved pastor. We thank God for the many special blessings bestowed on Canon Reuben which enabled him to carry out his priestly ministry for sixty three fruitful years.

Canon Reuben was a native of Templederry, Co Tipperary and was a priest of the Diocese of Killaloe for 63 years. He was a past pupil of St Flannan's College, Ennis. He studied for the priesthood at St Patrick's College, Maynooth where he was ordained on June 17th 1956. After ordination, he returned to Maynooth for one year to complete the H. Dip in Education and was then appointed for one year to St Mary's College, Galway. He returned to the Diocese in 1958 and was appointed as teacher in St Flannan's College, Ennis. He became Career Guidance teacher there in 1969 and in 1974 was appointed Vice President. He was appointed President of St Flannan's in July 1982.

He is remembered as a compassionate and gifted teacher by his students and St. Flannan's thrived and progressed under his guidance and leadership. In 1989 after thirty-one years of service to St. Flannan's Canon Reuben began a new challenge when Bishop Harty appointed him Parish Priest of Newmarket-on-Fergus. In February 1992 he was appointed a Canon of the Cathedral Chapter. He retired as Parish Priest in July 2006 and was appointed A.P to Newmarket on Fergus where he continued to minister until this year.

Among the highlights since arriving in Newmarket-on-Fergus was the ordination of his most famous student, Fr. Brendan Quinlivan, and the profession of Sr. Una Marren, two great occasions in the life the parish. Canon Reuben set up the parish office and Newmarket became one of the first rural parishes to employ a parish secretary and this development has proved very beneficial to the smooth running of the parish. He was ahead of his time in the use of computers and has done tremendous work in updating parish records and registers which has made it easy for people locally and world wide to research their roots.

Canon Reuben was one of the first priests in the Diocese to get involved in Clare FM, we are all very familiar with Canon Reuben's reflections, his gift with words for every occasion and his gentle thought provoking and reflective delivery of those words.

In his earlier years Canon Butler asked the question "what should we be doing to meet the needs of the community?" from here Canon Butler was instrumental in forming Obair and after years of meetings, surveys and encouraging people to get involved the Family Centre came about and is one of the great success stories of Newmarket-on-Fergus, thanks to the involvement of Dr. Brendan O'Regan and many others.

Canon Reuben in 2015, with the help of Máire Ní Ghrúagáin, put "The Story of Newmarket on Fergus" at our disposal for which we are truly indebted. This book which is illustrated throughout with a diverse collection of photographs and documents makes the history of our parish both enlightening and enjoyable.

We remember Canon Reuben with tenderness and love for the manner in which he led us along the Christian Way. His gentle presence spoke to us of all that is good, true and noble in being a follower of Jesus Christ. He has taught us by example. We have been privileged to listen and to respond to his gentle prompting.

Leaba i measc na Naomh uile go raibh aige!