

# 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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## Parish Team

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*4th Sun of Lent*

*March 14th 2021*

## Sacristans

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

*All masses are being live streamed via Webcam. You can access it through the parish website <http://www.newmarketonfergusparish.ie/>. Weekends from the main church and weekdays from the chapel*

Sat	13th	6 pm	Michael Shanagher, Kilnasoolagh Park. Month's Mind Anna and Jimmy Cusack, Ennis Road Ann Brennan, Hurlers Cross Paddy Reidy, Carrigerry Patrick Freeman, Carnakilla
Sun	14th	11am	Kitty McMahon, Ballincragga Andy, Gretta, Donie, Michael & John McMahon, Ballincragga & deceased family members Margaret and Frances Greene, Main Street & deceased family members
Mon	15th	10am	Special Intention
Tue	16th	10am	Daily Mass
Wed	17th	11am	St Patrick's Day Phil Callaghan, Sixmilebridge John Joe Moroney, Rineanna Michael O'Loughlin, Ennis Road PJ Woulfe, Shannon View, Bunratty
Thur	18th	10am	Special Intention
Fri	19th	10am	Special Intention
Sat	20th	6 pm	Weekend Mass
Sun	21st	11am	Brenda Neville and her parents Jane and Michael Mannion



**Recent Death:** Your kind prayers are asked for the happy repose of the souls of

**Madge Roughan, nee Lynch** sister of Anna May O'Brien, Chaersacooba

**Frances Haskins nee McMahon**, USA and Ballygireen

## Prayer for Mothers

Loving God,  
we thank you for the love of the mothers you have given us,  
whose love is so precious that it can never be measured,  
whose patience seems to have no end.  
May we see your loving hand behind them and guiding them.  
We pray for those mothers,  
who fear they will run out of love or time, or patience.  
We ask you to bless them with your own special love.  
We ask this in the name of Jesus, our brother.

Amen.



*St. Patrick*

Christ with me, Christ before me,  
Christ behind me,  
Christ in me, Christ beneath me,  
Christ above me,  
Christ on my right, Christ on my left,  
Christ when I lie down, Christ when I  
sit,  
Christ when I stand,  
Christ in the heart of everyone who  
thinks of me,  
Christ in the mouth of everyone who  
speaks of me,  
Christ in every eye that sees me,  
Christ in every ear that hears me.  
Amen



**Newmarket-On-Fergus Community Forum Update :** Following three public meetings in Spring 2020 a group of volunteers from community organisations and interest groups came together to begin work on a range of issues raised by the community. The Group (Newmarket-On-Fergus Community Forum) consulted with Clare County Council and Clare Local Development Company (CDLC). CLDC provided a facilitator to guide and mentor the Group through the development planning process. This work was interrupted by Covid -19 in late Spring but resumed with remote meetings in Autumn and has continued to gain momentum in 2021. A survey was circulated in September 2020 asking residents to identify the areas in need of development in our community. An impressive 247 responses were received, which is the highest rate of response the facilitator has seen for this type of survey. The level of response shows the importance of this project for the community, and it was encouraging to see a wide range of parish townlands and age groups represented in the survey responses. In October and November, the Group analysed the survey results, identifying priority needs and selecting priority actions for inclusion in a development plan for Newmarket-on-Fergus. The drafting of the draft development plan commenced in December and was finalised in Mid-February.

**Draft Development Plan:** The Draft Development Plan shows the approach that is going to be taken and this will evolve into a more detailed Development Plan in the coming months. The core elements of the plan are:

***Building a cohesive, vibrant and inclusive community***

- Develop integrated and inclusive community events and a community hub to promote activities
- Maintain a safe and secure environment

***Enhancing tourism and the Environment***

- Develop an attractive and social village with leisure facilities that are inclusive and supportive of all demographics
- Promote solutions for a sustainable community

***Infrastructure Development***

- Work with the Local Authority to improve footpaths, lighting, litter management, parking, public transport, traffic calming and public area enhancement.
- Improve the accessibility to services

***Commercial Development***

- Promote and develop businesses in the area so that we have more diverse and accessible social and commercial opportunities

**Next Steps :** Consultation with the Community and creation of a detailed development plan in line with local, regional, and national development strategies. The establishment of Implementation Sub-Groups to work on different elements of the development plan. Working with all stakeholders to ensure maximum funding is secured to implement the core elements of the development plan.

**Conclusion :** The implementation of this plan is dependent on volunteers, community support and accessing resources. We need volunteers to join sub - groups and develop projects to implement the four elements of the plan. If you are interested and feel you could contribute in any way to a sub -group(s) we would love to hear from you. Newmarket-on-Fergus Community Forum would like to thank the people of the of community for their interest and support and their participation in the survey which underpins this plan. We would welcome your feedback comments and suggestions at [nofcommunityforum@gmail.com](mailto:nofcommunityforum@gmail.com) and we look forward to your continued support as we move forward. A copy of the draft development plan can be obtained by emailing [nofcommunityforum@gmail.com](mailto:nofcommunityforum@gmail.com)

**Masses :** As restrictions remain at the current level masses will continue to be streamed live from Our Lady of the Rosary Church. On St Patrick's Day which falls on this coming Wednesday mass will be at 11am and not at the usual weekday time of 10am.

**LOUGH DERG-** Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> March RTE Studio Broadcast Mass at 11am will be celebrated by Msgr La Flynn, Prior of Lough Derg along with the Lough Derg Pastoral and Music teams. The Mass will be offered for the Lough Derg pilgrim family near and far. Tune into RTE 1 Television or RTE Radio 1.

**Parish Walk marks it's 25th year.**

Congratulations to all concerned. To mark the occasion there will be a number of quizzes over the coming weeks. People can test their knowledge of the parish. To add a little extra excitement there will be a €1 entry fee per quiz and prizes will be devised according to entry fees received. The first quiz is based on the short sweep. You will find it on separate sheet with the newsletter. Answers can be returned to parish office, please include your name & phone number.

**Men's Shed**

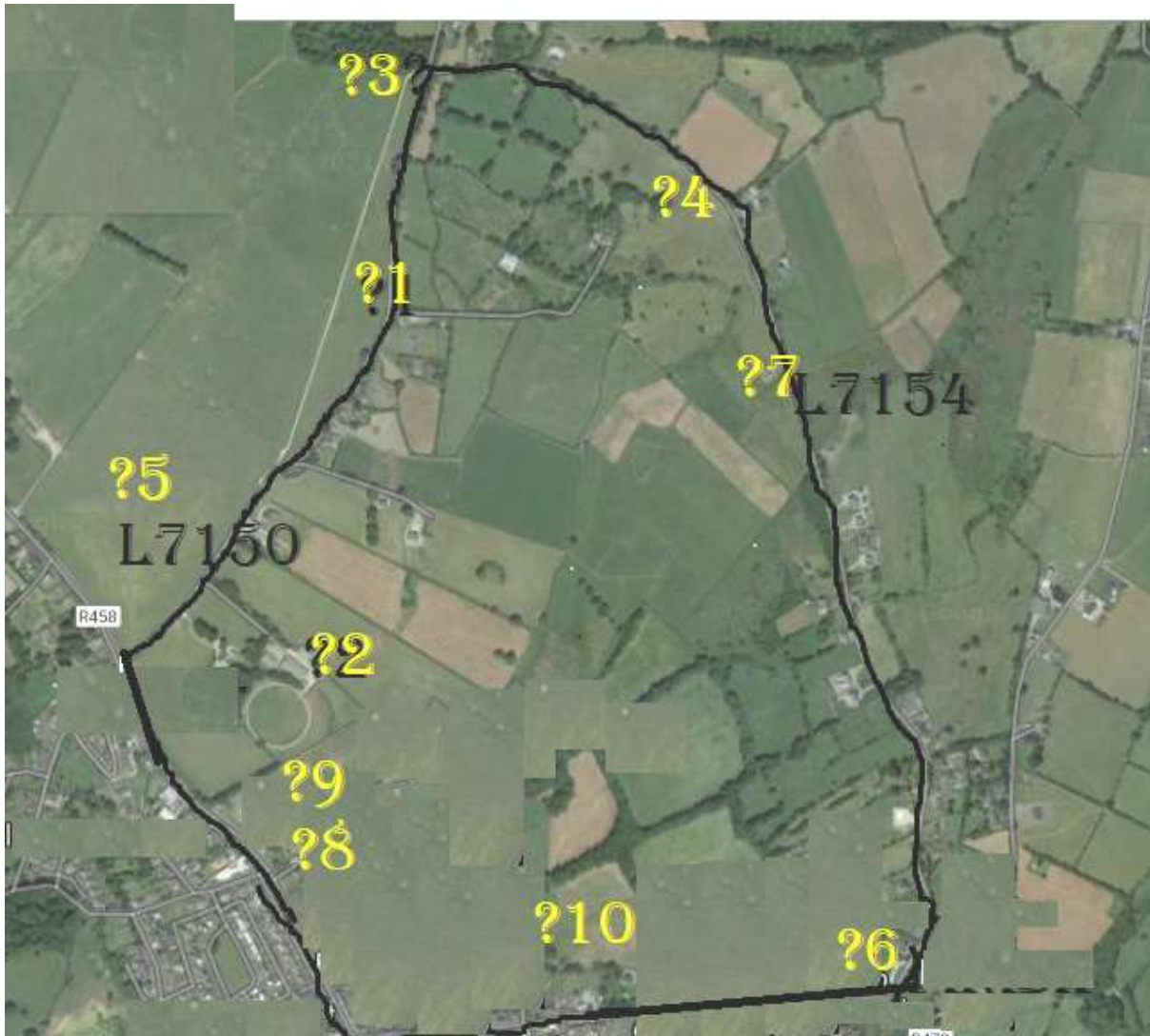
Members of the shed are working from home and have new lines for spring window boxes, wheel barrows and some very nice bird feeders along with some other miscellaneous pieces. We are looking forward in hope to the day we can welcome new members to the fold and resume activities in the Community Men's Shed at purposed fitted out premises near the Carrigoran Day Care Centre.

**Things to note on Ennis Road**

A very welcome speed indicator has been erected on the Ennis Road near the Scoil na Maighdine Mhuire. Speed limits need to be observed trough the village and now that the children have returned to school there is much activity as one enters the village

Also the pathway near Dromoland has been cleared for surfacing. This is very welcome as so many walkers use this footpath. It makes for a much safer environment for everyone. Previously it was very difficult for parents with buggies to navigate but soon there will be great pleasure in walking on this stretch.

## Parish Walk 25th celebrations : 1. The Small Sweep



- Numbers 1-10 mark places on the 5km walk. Can you identify them?
- Tanning took place in one field but which one?
- What was the name of a first class ploughman who lived in Clais?
- It's Rath Ing (Rainng) Fort of Ing but what is its real archaeological description?
- Three community facilities. Can you name them?
- An island but not so since this work was carried out. Where can you see the evidence for it?
- A castle turned upside down. Where is it?
- He gave his name to the field and the field to the football club. What was his name?
- Built in 1816 for community service, Bishop Fulton Sheen knew all about it and now it's the soccer club's turn.

Prizes devised according to entry fees received. Entry one euro per quiz. Answers with name and phone numbers to the parish office.