

Parish of Newmarket on Fergus - Carrigerry - The Wells

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4th Sun of Advent

18th Dec 2016

Sacristans

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

Newmarket

Sat 17th 7.30pm Carmel & Turlough McMahon, Killula & deceased family members
Teresa Burke, Glenaifreann. Month's Mind
Sun 18th 11.00am Patrick, Bridget & Mary Flannery, Mause
The McMahon Family, Ballinacragga— (Marie & Pat (the King), Gretta, Andrew,
Michael, Donie & John, Kitty, Pronsiass & Gerard)
Mon 19th 10.00am Daily Mass
Tue 20th 10.00am Daily Mass
7.00pm Reconciliation Service
Wed 21st 10.00am Special Intention
Thur 22nd 10.00am Deceased members of the Parish Walk
Fri 23rd 10.00am Daily Mass
Sat 24th 6.00pm Childrens Christmas Mass
9.00pm Patrick & Donal McCormack, Glencragga
Paddy Frawley, Ballysallagh
Sun 25th 11.00am Paddy, Peggy and Marty Slattery, Ennis Road

Mass Offered: for John Costin, Cuirt na hEaglaise whose 2nd anniversary occurs at this time.



Recent Deaths: Pray for the happy repose of the souls of
Brenda Kennedy, U.K.
mother of Bernadette Lynch, Main Street.

Paul Higgins, The Weavers Inn, Main Street
May they rest in peace

Wells

Sat 17th 6.30pm Maureen O'Donnell, Castleconnell
Sun 18th 10.00am Paddy O'Donovan, Month's Mind.
Sat 24th 7.30pm Margaret Egan, Ballycar
Sun 25th 10.00am Christmas Day

Carrigerry

Sun 18th 9.00am Sunday Mass
Sat 24th 8.00pm Christmas Vigil
Sun 25th 9.00am Christmas Day

Priests Christmas Collection will be taken up next weekend at all masses

There will be no evening masses the week after Christmas Mon Dec 26th—Fri Dec 30th. Morning masses as usual at 10am.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation.

We welcome the Friars from the Franciscan Community in Ennis who will lead our Reconciliation Service in Newmarket Church Tuesday evening Dec 20th at 7.00pm. With Christmas on our door step, we are invited to pause and reflect on our life journey. Most of us are aware of being less than perfect, of doing things we later regret. If we hang on to our regrets and guilt it may cripple us and make us unable to reach out in love to God, ourselves and others. The sacrament of Reconciliation is a means of renewal, putting the past behind us and starting afresh. May Christ be our light as we approach this great season of grace and hope. May he be born again in our hearts cleansed of sin and may he find warmth and welcome when he comes.

The local Conference of St. Vincent de Paul are most grateful for your very generous contributions to last week's Church Gate Collection. The amount collected was €2220. Thanks also to everyone who helped with the collection

Christmas Eve Mass times

6.00pm: Childrens Mass in Newmarket
7.30pm: The Wells
8.00pm: Carrigerry
9.00pm: Newmarket

Christmas Day Masses

9.00am: Carrigerry
10.00am: The Wells
11.00am: Newmarket

Confessions at Christmas

Tue 20th Dec - 7.00pm-Reconciliation Service
Christmas Eve: 12noon to 1.00pm in Newmarket church in the confessional Box

Last week's Church Collections €2066.21
Thank You

Newsletter items to Parish Office @ 061 - 368127 or email office@newmarketonfergusparish.ie **Deadline is 11.00am on Thursday**

GAA Lotto: Neither of our Lotto Jackpots were won this week, 11, 12, 15 & 32 were the numbers in our €10,000 draw while 5, 7, 10 & 27 were pulled out in our €4550 draw. €40 Winners; Lourda Killeen, Mona Freeman, Pat Corry, Aleya Cubik & Ryan Corry. Sunday's draw takes place in O'Neills where €10,000 and €4700 will be up for grabs. For the next two weeks we will have double the amount of weekly winners. Play now for your chance to win.

Turkey Trot: On St Stephens Day we'll be taking to the roads for a Turkey Trot. A family fun run/walk will begin outside the Clubhouse at 11am sharp and a 4km or 6km route follows with the finish point at our Clubhouse where tea, coffee and hot chocolate will be served. Registration takes place at 10am with €20 the family fee, €10 for individuals and €5 for students. It's time to get the club moving in the right direction, make sure you're running or walking right beside us.

Club Gear: Treat the Blue in your life this Christmas. A great selection of club gear is available from Boru Sports, contact Shane (086-4182744) to make an order

ESB Win:

CLG Cora Chaitlín was recently selected as a winner in a special ESB competition. Local Blue and ESB employee Paula Enright presented Chairperson Freddy McInerney with the ESB GAA Fund Framed Certificate. As well as the certificate the club has also received a financial reward. Here's hoping our success will continue to increase on and off the field for 2017.

Clonmoney N.S. are holding a fundraising Christmas Party night on December 28th at 8pm upstairs in Durty Nellies. Music by Cathal Jones & Pat Hayes. All Friends Past and Present of Clonmoney N.S. are all very welcome. Tickets are €10ea and are available to purchase from Yvonne in the school office, Durty Nellies & Crowes shop at the Ministers Cross. Spot Prizes & Raffle on the night also. A great night guaranteed!

DON'T BE LONELY THIS CHRISTMAS Senior Help Line, Ireland's only national listening service for older people, will be open every day over Christmas and the New Year from 10 am to 10 pm. We are here to take your call if you are on your own, feeling isolated, worried or would like someone to talk to. Christmas can be a sad time for many people, and in the midst of apparent universal gaiety, some of us can feel very alone. Senior Help Line volunteers are trained older people who understand the ups and downs of life, and are happy to listen, to keep company and to support. **So let us put the companionship into Christmas this year. LoCall 1850 440 444, no call costs more than 30 cents. All calls completely confidential.**

Christmas Pilgrimage to the Holy land 2016 (Last Remaining Seats) from 20th-28th December 8 nights. Taking in Bethlehem, Jerusalem (Mount of Olives, Garden of Gethsemane, Last Supper Room and Calvary), Mount Tabor, Cana, Nazareth, Jericho, Dead Sea and Sea of Galilee. Ex Dublin. Price €1,374 pps. Contact James Treacy 061-921470 or 0860572216

Health Care Assistants (Carers) required in the Clare area. QQI Level 5 in Health Care Support/Community Health or similar. Patient Moving & Handling. If currently studying for this award, applicants will also be considered. Experience required. **Contact:** Bluebird Care Clare on 065-6868222.

The Honk Annual Charity Table Quiz:

This Tuesday 20th December @ 9pm. Chosen Charity for 2016 is The National Rehabilitation Hospital (NRH), Dún Laoghaire. Tables of 4 / €40 per table. Quiz Master: Tom O'Dea. All Welcome

Newmarket Celtic will be holding there annual church gate collection this weekend in the 3 churches.

December's 300 club winners

€500 Mike Hayes / €100 Caroline Kelly / €100 Chris Brennan
€100 Rob Shier / €100 Mary Meehan / €100 Daren Cullinan
€100 Ruadhri McInerney / €100 Paddy O'Halloran

We would like to thank everyone who has supported our 300 Club all year. Thanks to all our sponsors for there generosity all year. We would like to wish all our players, members, supporters, sponsors and all there families a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from all at Newmarket Celtic F.C.

Ballycar NS are proud to have been shortlisted for the CARA National Inclusion Awards. A group of staff, parents and pupils travelled to the awards ceremony in the Crowne Plaza Hotel, Blanchardstown on 2nd December. We were thrilled to receive an award for 2nd place out of 130 applications. This national award recognises excellence in provision for children with disabilities in primary schools PE and physical activity. CARA believe that sport and physical activity for people with disabilities is a means of enhancing life, increasing social interaction, improving physical and mental health and empowering people in all aspects of their lives. Our challenge is to ensure that people with disabilities have the same awareness of and access to opportunities to be active. We see this as a basic human right for all.

The Christmas Season can be a difficult time for people bereaved by suicide. Support and help is only a phone call away. Clare Suicide Bereavement Support Volunteers are available to help you. This is a free and confidential support service. Please phone 086 0565373 or 087 3698315.

At this time of year many of us are thinking of gifts. Imagine if you could give the gift of a home for just 2 euro!! The Mid-West Simon Community have launched our 2 euro campaign. We ask you to donate just 2 euro to our cause by texting the word KEYS to 50300. Your 2 euro can make an extraordinary difference to someone's life, so give a gift this year of just 2 euro.

FUNDRAISING DANCE for Galway Hospice in Keanes Bar Oranmore Sunday 18th December at 9.30. Music by TAKE TIME. Raffle & Spot Prizes, Tickets €10 available at door. Proceeds to Galway Hospice.



As the weather gets colder and the days get darker the Killaloe Diocese Justice, Peace & Care of Creation Committee urges all of us to keep an eye on elderly neighbours. As Church we all have a responsibility to look after each other so if you have any elderly neighbours living alone near you, take 5 minutes to check if they need any errands run and to ensure they are warm enough and have enough food. A little gesture can make a big difference.