Parish of Newmarket on Fergus - Carrigerry - The Wells

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5th Sunday of Lent
March 21st 2021

Sacristans

Bridget O' Halloran : Ne Mary Barron: Th Bernadette Glynn: Ca

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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 20th 6pm Mass of the 5th Sunday of Lent

Sun 21st 11am Brenda Neville and her parents Jane and Michael Mannion

Mon 22nd 10am Daily Mass

Tue 23rd 10am Elizabeth Ryan, Urlanmore

Wed 24th 10am Daily Mass

Thur 25th 10am Patricia Henchy, Rineanna

Fri 26th 10am Daily Mass

Sat 27th 6pm Jim Toomey, Hill Road, Bunratty and Sixmilebridge

Sun 28th 11am Joan Cullen, Ballycar Rd & deceased members of Cunneen and McNulty families

Recent Death: Your kind prayers are asked for the happy repose of the soul of **John Joe McMahon, Knocknagun House, Newmarket on Fergus.**

May he rest in the loving embrace of the Father.

Bishop Fintan Monahan expresses concern over cemetery and funeral gatherings.

In conversations with priests and people around the Diocese of Killaloe in recent weeks many have expressed their serious health and safety concerns to me regarding the number of people gathering after funeral ceremonies in church and also at burials in cemeteries.

Whilst it is such a positive and deeply ingrained aspect of our culture in Ireland to gather and offer condolences to the bereaved family, unfortunately due to the highly contagious nature of the coronavirus it is still not safe to do so. While being sensitive to the needs of mourners for care and compassion at such a difficult time, many priests have expressed deep concern for the wellbeing of parishioners gathering in such a manner and I share that concern.

Since the start of the pandemic, at funeral Masses, mourners and families have been most understanding and patient about the public health limit of only ten people permitted to gather for such ceremonies. Clergy, parish personnel and undertakers have undertaken Trojan work with people in the context of these difficult, stressful and sad circumstances, and I commend them for that. However, it is in the gatherings of genuine and well-meaning people, before and after the funeral Mass, when such occasions, that raise concern, can occur. People by and large are wearing masks at these open-air gatherings, but some choose not to. I appeal to people to take whatever precautions possible to maximise the safety of all.

I earnestly appeal to people to find alternative ways to offer condolences at this time of pandemic, and for the foreseeable future until vaccination has all of us in a better place. Perhaps a prayer, a card, a phone call, a letter, a text, a message on social media, lighting a candle at home or in your local church, would be a safer way to offer consolation with a view to offering personal support in the near future.

My prayers are continually for those who have been affected through illness and bereavement since the pandemic began. Let us all look out for each other, and together we will get through this difficult time.

NOTICE FOR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION FAMILIES

There will be a Webinar for the Parents of First Holy Communion children on this Tuesday, March 23rd at 7.00 pm. In order to join you need to register using the link here

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/ WN zN POulATymoz Vz9ZWF3g

NOTICE FOR CONFIRMATION FAMILIES

There will be a Webinar for the Parents and Godparents of Confirmation Children and also the Confirmation children on this Wednesday, March 24th at 7.00 pm. In order to join you need to register using the link here

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN SHRbJhzmQ8y3O0mSPFpTOQ

WEBINAR FOR THE DIOCESE OF KILLALOE

Fr Kieran O'Mahony OSA will be the principal speaker at a Webinar hosted by the Diocese of Killaloe on the Scriptural background of Holy Week and Easter which we are about to celebrate. The webinar will be of interest to anybody involved in parish or pastoral life in parish or diocese. It will commence at 7.30 pm on this Monday, March 22nd. To join the webinar, you need to register in advance and you can do this by using the link below.

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/ WN rQ08yj9WTpiZTANWNeN9AQ

DONATIONS TO OUR PARISH:

Thank you to everyone who supports in any way the upkeep of our churches, priests' houses & salary and the work of the office through contributions during the year. Your ongoing support is very much appreciated.

Along with your contributions the parish as an eligible charity can avail of the benefit of reclaiming tax on donations that amount to €250 or more in each year. Thank you to all those who have returned CHY3 Enduring Certs which enables the parish to reclaim tax up to and including 2022.

If you are contributing to the church collections and are not receiving parish envelopes please let the parish office know if you would like to have envelopes. This is the system we use to record contributions. Boxes of envelopes are distributed to households throughout the parish during the latter part of June by 34 long serving and very dedicated parishioners.



Cahercalla Community Hospital & Hospice Care

Weekly Draw Results

Year 20 Week 41 Tuesday March 16th 2021

1st Prize €650.00 **Gus Considine,** Newmarket on Fergus, Co Clare

> 2nd Prize €200.00 **Fiadh Gill,** Ennis, Co Clare

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THIS WEEK IN PAST TIMES

1816: Reports that Captain Moonlight, another of the agrarian secret societies, active in Kilnacrandy.

1901: Belfry erected on Wells church.

1937: Four arrested in the village for selling Easter lilies without permit.

1964: Rumour that John Lennon and George Harrison were staying in Dromoland. They failed to turn up at Point-to-Point. They did carry out a mock duel on Dromoland lawn on day of departure. Their wives, dressed as chambermaids and placed in laundry baskets were smuggled to the Airport in a van.

1933: Technical Education under auspices of Clare VEC introduced.

1999: Robbery at Texaco Filling Station on the Ennis Road

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