

# Parish of Newmarket on Fergus - Carrigerry - The Wells

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## Parish Team

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## Feast of the Holy Family

29th Dec 2013

## Sacristans

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

## Newmarket

Sat 28th	7.30pm	Weekend Mass
Sun 29th	11.00am	Phyllis Carroll, sister of Gabriel Ryan. 1st anniversary
Mon 30th	10.00am	Special Intention
Tue 31st	10.00am	Daily Mass
Wed 1st	10.00am	Daily Mass. New Years Day
Thur 2nd	10.00am	Daily Mass
Fri 3rd	10.00am	Daily Mass
	7.00pm	Bríd Marren, Ballinacragga. 1st anniversary and her mother Bridget Enright 26th anniversary
Sat 4th	7.30pm	Martin and Josephine Ward, Ballycar Road Joe and Mary McNamara, Ballycar Road Joe and Gertie Varden, The Square
Sun 5th	11.00am	Patrick O'Donoghue, Ballycuneen. 1st anniversary

## Wells

Sat 28th	6.30pm	Betty Hayes, Gate Lodge, Bunratty
Sun 29th	10.00am	James and Annie Dinan, Cragboy, 50th & 28th anniversaries. Bill Dinan, Cragboy
Sat 4th	6.30pm	John Kelly, Firgrove
Sun 5th	10.00am	Tom Hallinan, Mungret

## Carrigerry

Sun 29th	9.00am	Sunday Mass
Sun 5th	9.00am	Sunday Mass



## Recent Death:

Pray for the happy repose  
of the souls of

**Sadie Doyle**, Woodpark.  
**William Fitzgerald**,  
Cluan Dara

*May he rest in peace*

## Abundance Prayer Group

Meet each Monday except  
Bank Holidays at 7.30pm in  
the upstairs meeting room in  
Newmarket Church

## Mass times for the Epiphany on 6th January

Carrigoran : 10.30am  
Newmarket: 11.00am  
Wells : 6.30pm  
Carrigerry : 7.30pm

## Bereaved by Suicide:

The Christmas Season can be a difficult time for people bereaved by suicide. Clare Suicide Bereavement Support volunteers are available to help you. Support and help is only a phone call away. You could phone us at one of our numbers given below and we will take it from there. We promise complete confidentiality. 086 0565373; 087 3698315; [www.claresuicidebereavementsupport.com](http://www.claresuicidebereavementsupport.com)

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**Trocaire** would like to thank parishioners for their support this year particularly during the recent emergency appeals for Syria and the Philippines. Trocaire hopes everyone has a peaceful New Year.

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**Killaloe Pilgrimage to the Canonisations of Popes John XXIII and John Paul II from 23 – 30 April led by Bishop Kieran O'Reilly, SMA.** Staying beside the Vatican within walking distance for the canonisation and visiting the principal holy places of the Eternal City. Also visiting Montecassino and Assisi. €1,100 per person sharing. Chaplain: Fr Albert McDonnell. Contact 057 9355050 (mornings only) or [a.mcdonnell@killaloeocese.ie](mailto:a.mcdonnell@killaloeocese.ie)

## A NEW YEAR'S PRAYER

A whole new year is mine today...

May I be wiser, Lord I pray!

I'd strengthen friendships, old and true

And learn to cherish new ones, too;

To keep on learning and to grow A little deeper as I go.

To cast aside each grudge and grief,  
and hold fast to a firm belief that life is joyous, gracious, good, when lived in terms of brotherhood.

To welcome fun, and play awhile,  
to lighten work with a pleasant smile!

To thank the Lord and every day Remember Him,  
and kneel to pray, and gratitude for strength and health and blessings which are all my wealth.

This year's a gift from God to me to spend,  
or use, or set me free...

A whole new year is mine today...

May I be wiser, Lord I pray.

**Fáilte-Bienvenue-Willkommen-Benvenuto-Bienvenido-Witajcie-Bemvindo-  
Welkom-Velkomin-Vitejte-Karibu-Croeso-Valkommen-Tervetuloa-Welcome**

**Seeking Vision Clare Sunset Foundation for the Visually Impaired in Clare Charity Walk, Toonagh.**

Sunday 19th January. / Register Toonagh Hall @ 11.30am walk @ 12.30pm / Entry fee €10 / 3 Routes 10.5k.5k & 3k  
Start & Finish @ Toonagh Hall. / Refreshments served after walk  
Children Welcome (no entry fee for children)  
Further info. Breda 0851947763.....*Please support*

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**Bingo News**

Bingo resumes on Jan 1st in the Community Centre at 8.30pm sharp. With spot prizes ...and surprises should make for a great night. Jackpot now stands at €1,650.

We the Directors of the community centre would also like to take this opportunity to thank all who supported and sponsored us this last year. All your help is greatly appreciated.

**Health and Happiness for 2014**

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**The Gathering-Reflections on Ireland** is a wonderful new book by the Irish Hospice Foundation (IHF). Featuring inspiring reflections on what it means to be Irish from some of Ireland's famous faces, compelling personal stories of Gathering events and spectacular pictures. Available from all good bookshops nationwide and online at [www.hospicefoundation.ie](http://www.hospicefoundation.ie) RRP €20. All proceeds in aid of the IHF.

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**Health Care Assistants/Personal Assistants (Carers) required in the Clare area:**

Requirements: FETAC Level 5 Full Award in Health Care Support/Community Health or similar, including Patient Moving and Handling. If currently studying for this award, applicants will also be considered. For more information contact the Bluebird Care Team in Ennis at 065-6868222.

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**The 16th Annual West Clare Mini Marathon** will take place on January 26th 2014. This years route is Carrigaholt to Kilkee. Sponsorship cards for this event are available from the West Clare Mini Marathon Cancer Centre in Kilkee - Monday - Thursday 11am-2pm and Friday 10am - 1pm and 2-3pm. Contact no 065-9060762 and 065-9056181.

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**GAA CLUB LOTTO RESULTS:-3-13-24-28**

NO Jackpot Winner  
€30: Siobhan Conway / Amanda Brohan / Tony @ mamma mias/  
Gillian Collins / Pat Lynch / Ger Enright / Caroline Howard/  
Marian Mc Corry / Orla Bannon / Agnes Kruk  
NEXT DRAW:- Sports Bar 30th December Jackpot €12950.00

**Best wishes for the New Year**

**Farewell Fellow Warblers**

Choir members mourn deeply the loss of our dear friends Larry and Sean recently and those who went before them, Joe, Mary, Bríd and Rita. We wish well those who for health reasons can no longer sing with us.

The choir over the years has been and continues to be blessed with such vocal talent. Many a visitor to our church in compliment would also comment how lucky we were to have so many male voices. Of course in no way demeaning all the female voices! But indeed we are fortunate.

Great times were had fulfilling requests to partake in religious ceremonies around the county, affectionately referred to as 'gigs'.

We were very honoured to be invited to accompany the Killaloe Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes on two occasions. We've taken busses to neighbouring parishes along with the odd social outing which featured Loophead Lighthouse last year. Travelled to Rome to mark the occasion of our 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary in March 2011. Canon Butler supervised on all trips....*difficult task!*

The airways of local Radio Clare FM broadcast our Easter services one year. We were delighted to be asked to sing for Una's profession. We recorded a CD of our personal favourites also. Late night sing songs were an annual feature in the Weavers or Carrigerry House around Christmas time in the early days. Choir practice is enjoyable. In midst of fun Ita is well capable of keeping us focused, working our vocals beyond their comfort zone occasionally, while Larry frequently insisted on two verses of the recessional hymn and Sean the harmony.

Farewell dear fellow warblers as we try to lift our voices heavenwards in your absence in the hope that your spirit will carry us through this sad time.

Many thanks to everyone for their kindness and support over the years.

.....*The Choir*

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The choir welcomes new members always. It is a voluntary group who sing at the 7.30pm mass each Saturday in Newmarket Church and all extra services associated with Easter & Christmas.

We are happy to oblige for requiem masses at the request of families.

Choir practice is on Wednesday night from 7.30pm and usually lasts for an hour.

If you think you might enjoy singing with this 'motley crew' please come along any Wednesday night. We expect that when re resume in the new year practice will be held in the Day Chapel.

Also if you are unable to commit to weekly singing we would much appreciated extra voices when we are asked to sing for funerals. During weekdays it can be particularly difficult to fill a choir as people are working.

*St. Augustine of Hippo (+430) is often quoted as having said "He who sings, prays twice."*

**Parish Office will reopen on Thursday 2nd Jan 2014.**  
Urgent matters directly to Fr. Tom Fitzpatrick on 087 2720187