Parish of Newmarket on Fergus - Carrigerry - The Wells

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The Holy Family Dec 29th /30th 2012

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| Sat | 29th | 6.30pm | Weekend Mass |
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| Sun | 30th | 10.00am | Sunday Mass |
| Sat | 5th | 6.30pm | John Kelly, Firgrove |
| | | | Kevin O'Callaghan, Bunratty Villa |
| Sun | 6th | 10.00am | Tom Hallinan, Mungret. Co. Limerick |
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Carrigerry

Sun30th9.00amSunday MassSun6th9.00amSunday Mass

Recent Deaths: Pray for the happy repose of the soul of

Paddy Frawley, Ballysallagh May he rest in peace.

Many thanks to all those who supported the Priests Christmas Collection last weekend and who continue to support the collections throughout the year. Your support is very much appreciated.

We wish you all a Happy New Year.

Jan Hagalkieh. & Reuber Butter

will re-open on Wed Jan 2nd. Happy New Year

The Parish Office



Each first Saturday from 2-3pm the Rosary is recited. Your company is always welcome even if only for one decade.....

Sal 5th Jan 2013

New Year

In different cultures the year has different beginnings. The Christian year begins with the first Sunday of Advent, the Sunday nearest to the 30th November. Samhain (1st Nov) marks the Celtic New Year. In what we call the Western World, 1st January is New Year's Day, the beginning of another commercial year. Traditionally it is a time for making resolutions that will improve our lives. This year the first week of 2013 has two great Christian Feasts.

The first of January, the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God, reminds us particularly of the implications for Mary as she lived out her life in accordance to God's will. It was not an easy life. Her son was born while she was away from home; then years as a political refugee in Egypt; her son was lost for two days in Jerusalem when he was twelve years old; the death of her husband, Joseph. The rejection by the people of Nazareth when Jesus began his public life and finally his death as a crucified criminal on Mount Calvary.

On Sunday 30th December, we celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family. A reminder that the family is the basic unit of society and that the family of Nazareth should be an example for all.

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



Sewing classes Ennis for Beginners and Dressmaking classes: learn how to use a sewing machine or sew a garment of your choice. 6 classes will start Wed 9th Jan 2013 evenings or Thurs 10th Jan mornings in Ennis. Cost €96 incl. materials. for more information please contact: Susanna 085 1243 416.

The Milford Hospice 10km Run/Walk will take place at **9.30AM** on Sunday, 20 January 2013. Milford Hospice, Castletroy is a wonderful facility, with a reputation for outstanding care to patients in the mid-west region. – Please come out and support this fundraiser. **All proceeds will go directly to Milford Hospice**.

- Official AAI measured route
- Beautiful views of River Shannon / University of Limerick and Plassey area en-route
- Refreshments served after the race
- Cash prizes for 1st, 2nd & 3rd places in both Male and Female categories

• Registration for the event is €15 per person and can be completed online at <u>eventmaster.ie/event.php</u> (Late Registration €20 from 13th January 2013 onwards)

Details of your race number collection before the event will be advised, race numbers must be worn on the front of your kit. The event starts at 9.30 AM on sharp so all entrants are requested to be assembled by 9.00am at the Stables Club, University of Limerick.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR KIND SUPPORT & ENJOY THE RUN / WALK!

Samaritans volunteers listen in confidence to anyone in any type of emotional distress, without judging or telling people what to do. Samaritans doesn't offer advice, but by encouraging people who contact us to talk about their feelings we are able to help them explore all the options they have.

Samaritans believes that given the time and space to work problems or difficulties through in confidence, people can find an inner strength and perspective which lets them find their own way forward.

Samaritans Ennis & Clare

Samaritans Ennis & Clare provides confidential emotional support to those experiencing despair, distress or suicidal feelings. **Phone:** (065) 6829777 or 1850 60 90 90.

Thoughts of an Ass

I stand lonely and rejected. My coat needs brushing and my feet are sore from neglect. There is not much to eat, little shelter from the weather and few bother about me. I am only an Ass.

They say I am no longer useful: That I am stupid and slow. My name is often used to describe others who are also considered to be fools. But I know better.

When pursued by Herod's ruthless soldiers, the Baby Jesus with his Mother and St. Joseph had to flee to Egypt — He chose me to carry Him. I took Him to



safety and, when the danger was over, I brought Him safely home.



When he rode into Jerusalem on that Palm Sunday two thousand years ago, He chose me to carry Him -and on my back left the sacred mark of His Cross for all future generations. When he could have called upon all the noblest beasts of the earth or upon his legions of angels standing ready to do His bidding — He chose me.

In these important events of His earthly life, the Creator and Lord of the Universe chose a simple little donkey to carry Him. With all creation at His command, My Lord chose me.

Pray for Emigrants

Lord Jesus,

Who in the very first days of your earthly life were compelled together with your Mother Mary and your Father Joseph to flee your native land and seek refuge in Egypt, knowing the discomfort of emigrants.

Look kindly upon our brothers and sisters who are far from their native soil, from friends and family and are struggling to come to terms with new life in a foreign land.

Guide them on their journey, stay close to them in their loneliness and comfort the family and friends they have left behind.

We pray Lord that we may be able to embrace them once more, at home or abroad, and for those that pass from this life, we pray that we may meet once more in your heavenly kingdom. Amen.