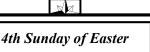
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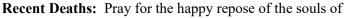
Sacristans

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

Masses for the coming week broadcast on 97.9 fm

May 3rd 2020

Sat	2nd	6.00pm	Weekend Mass
Sun	3rd	11.00am	Michael Grogan, Kilnasoolagh
			Micheal Boyce, Carrowmeer and his grandparents Nancy and Patrick.
Mon	4th	10am	Tommy and Nora Boland, Deerpark
Tue	5th	10am	Kay and Jack Meere, Knocknagun,
Wed	6th	10am	Daily Mass
Thur	7th	10am	Daily Mass
Fri	8th	10am	Daily Mass
Sat	9th	6pm	Sean Liddy, Ballycalla & his parents Tom and Josephine
Sun	10th	11am	Joan Cullen, Ballycar Road. 1st anniversary
			Alice and John Joe Lynch, Latoon House



John Freeman, Lisduff

Adrian Fahey, brother of Charlotte Donnellan, Ballygireen May they rest in the loving embrace of the Father.

I hope you are keeping very well in these difficult times.

Please find below some links to messages of hope and encouragement. Many thanks to the many who are making great efforts to communicate hope, consolations, faith and the Good News of the Gospel at this time.

A message of encouragement from Bishops Willie and Fintan for anyone in 'cocoonment'.

https://vimeo.com/411616268

In Memoriam – Canon Reuben Butler on the day of his anniversary https://vimeo.com/411603312

An invitation to Pray the Divine Office

https://vimeo.com/411528928

Sláinte agus beannachtaí, + Fintan Monahan

ACCORD COUPLES & RELATIONSHIPS SUPPORT LINE

IF YOU NEED TO SPEAK TO AN EXPERIENCED COUPLES & RELATIONSHIPS COUNSELLOR DURING THIS TIME OF UNPRECEDENTED STRESS AND PRESSURE ON FAMILY LIFE...

Contact: 028 9568 0151 003531 531 3331 9.00 am - 8.00 pm, Monday to Friday All calls charged at local rate.

Thank you for donations to Trocaire to date which amounted to €2892

Our sincere thanks to all who have sent in contributions to the Parish Office. We are deeply grateful to you as these contributions which help keep our parish functioning and support your priest. Parish Masses are being offered for all your intentions. Do join on radio 97.9fm for daily mass. Every blessing to you and may God keep you safe!

The Parish Office remains closed to the public for the time being however if you have any queries or items for the newsletter you can email office@newmarketonfergusparish.ie or leave a message on 061 - 368127 - if your call is not answered and we will come back to you.

Urgent calls as always to Fr Tom on 087 2720187 / 061 700883

Thank you for your good wishes and patience over the last few weeks.

We hope you all remain well.

Further press coverage for Obair Meals on Wheels and the great service they offer our community.

Listen back to John Cooke's lovely piece on the Meals on Wheels service from Drivetime on Radio One. https://www.rte.ie/radio/radioplayer/html5/#/radio1/21754134 [1]

The Six O'Clock Show with Muireann & Martin on Virgin Media https://www.facebook.com/1534629750138891/posts/2556061937995662/?vh=e&d=n



LETTER OF HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS to the Faithful for the Month of May 2020

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

The month of May is approaching, a time when the People of God express with particular intensity their love and devotion for the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is traditional in this month to pray the Rosary at home within the family. The restrictions of the pandemic have made us come to appreciate all the more this "family" aspect, also from a spiritual point of view. For this reason, I want to encourage everyone to rediscover the beauty of praying the Rosary at home in the month of May. This can be done either as a group or individually; you can decide according to your own situations, making the most of both opportunities. The key to doing this is always simplicity, and it is easy also on the internet to find good models of prayers to follow. I am also providing two prayers to Our Lady that you can recite at the end of the Rosary, and that I myself will pray in the month of May, in spiritual union with all of you. I include them with this letter so that they are available to everyone. Dear brothers and sisters, contemplating the face of Christ with the heart of Mary our Mother will make us even more united as a spiritual family and will help us overcome this time of trial. I keep all of you in my prayers, especially those suffering most greatly, and I ask you, please, to pray for me. I thank you, and with great affection I send you my blessing.

FRANCIS

First Prayer

O Mary,

You shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope.

We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who, at the foot of the cross, were united with Jesus' suffering, and persevered in your faith. "Protectress of the Roman people", you know our needs, and we know that you will provide, so that, as at Cana in Galilee, joy and celebration may return after this time of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the will of the Father and to do what Jesus tells us.

For he took upon himself our suffering, and burdened himself with our sorrows to bring us, through the cross, to the joy of the Resurrection. Amen. We fly to your protection, O

We fly to your protection, O Holy Mother of God; Do not despise our petitions in our necessities, but deliver us always from every danger, O Glorious and Blessed Virgin.

Second Prayer

"We fly to your protection, O Holy Mother of God".

In the present tragic situation, when the whole world is prey to suffering and anxiety, we fly to you, Mother of God and our Mother, and seek refuge under your protection.

Virgin Mary, turn your merciful eyes towards us amid this coronavirus pandemic. Comfort those who are distraught and mourn their loved ones who have died, and at times are buried in a way that grieves them deeply. Be close to those who are concerned for their loved ones who are sick and who, in order to prevent the spread of the disease, cannot be close to them. Fill with hope those who are troubled by the uncertainty of the future and the consequences for the economy and employment.

Mother of God and our Mother, pray for us to God, the Father of mercies, that this great suffering may end and that hope and peace may dawn anew. Plead with your divine Son, as you did at Cana, so that the families of the sick and the victims be comforted, and their hearts be opened to confidence and trust.

Protect those doctors, nurses, health workers and volunteers who are on the frontline of this emergency, and are risking their lives to save others. Support their heroic effort and grant them strength, generosity and continued health.

Be close to those who assist the sick night and day, and to priests who, in their pastoral concern and fidelity to the Gospel, are trying to help and support everyone.

Blessed Virgin, illumine the minds of men and women engaged in scientific research, that they may find effective solutions to overcome this virus.

Support national leaders, that with wisdom, solicitude and generosity they may come to the aid of those lacking the basic necessities of life and may devise social and economic solutions inspired by farsightedness and solidarity.

Mary Most Holy, stir our consciences, so that the enormous funds invested in developing and stockpiling arms will instead be spent on promoting effective research on how to prevent similar tragedies from occurring in the future.

Beloved Mother, help us realise that we are all members of one great family and to recognise the bond that unites us, so that, in a spirit of fraternity and solidarity, we can help to alleviate countless situations of poverty and need. Make us strong in faith, persevering in service, constant in prayer.

Mary, Consolation of the afflicted, embrace all your children in distress and pray that God will stretch out his all-powerful hand and free us from this terrible pandemic, so that life can serenely resume its normal course.

To you, who shine on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope, do we entrust ourselves, O Clement, O Loving, O Sweet Virgin Mary. Amen.

First Communion and Confirmation

First Communion and Confirmation for the children of the parish cannot now take place on the dates arranged due to the restrictions on all gatherings in public places. This is a big disappointment to the children and their families who have been waiting in anticipation for their special day. As soon as the restrictions are eased we will ensure that new dates will be agreed and we will have a beautiful celebration of these sacraments.