

# Parish of Newmarket on Fergus - Carrigerry - The Wells

Parish Office: Monday to Friday 10.00am - 1.00pm.  
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## Parish Team

Fr. Tom Fitzpatrick: Tel: 700883 / 087 2720187  
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Mary Power: Parish Secretary

2nd Sunday after

Christmas Jan 4th 2015

## Sacristans

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

## Newmarket

Sat	3rd	7.30pm	Martin and Josephine Ward, Ballycar Road Joe and Mary McNamara, Ballycar Road Brid Marren, Balincragga
Sun	4th	11.00am	Michael, Teresa Considine and their son Michael, Urlanmore
Mon	5th	7.30pm	For the Feast of the Epiphany
Tue	6th	11.00am	Michael & Maureen Earls, Glencragga Their daughter Mary Shannon and son Martin Earls, Kilnasoolagh
Wed	7th	10.00am	Daily Mass
Thur	8th	10.00am	Daily Mass
Fri	9th	10.00am	Daily Mass
Sat	10th	7.30pm	Mary and Gerry Burke, Ballycar Road
Sun	11th	11.00am	Paddy, Anna and Noel Dillon, Main Street Alice Gleeson, Ballycar. 1st anniversary



## Wells

Sat	3rd	6.30pm	John Kelly, Firgrove
Sun	4th	10.00am	Sunday Mass
Tue	6th	6.30pm	The Epiphany
Sat	10th	6.30pm	Kevin O'Callaghan, Bunratty Villa Tom Hallinan, Mungret
Sun	11th	10.00am	Sunday Mass



## Carrigerry

Sun	4th	9.00am	Sunday Mass
Tue	6th	7.30pm	The Epiphany
Sun	11th	9.00am	Mary Casey, Stonehall. 1st Anniversary

**Recent Deaths:** Your prayers are requested for the happy repose of the souls of  
**Bridie McNamara**, Kilnasoolagh Park  
**Mick Tobin**, father of Sheila McMahon, The Green

May they rest in Peace

Mass  
Times



**Newmarket:** Mon 5th @ 7.30pm  
Tue 6th @ 11.00am  
(There is no morning mass in  
Newmarket on Monday 5th)

**Wells:** Tue 6th @ 6.30pm  
**Carrigerry:** Tue 6th @ 7.30pm

## Sacristans Collection

This weekend in all  
churches.

Last week's Church Collection  
24th /25th Dec €3416.12  
27th /28th Dec €2294.38

**Thank You**



**Local Helpline**  
**086 3024238**

Please leave a short message  
plus your contact details  
and a member of the society  
will call you back

**Samaritans**  
**Church Gate**  
**Collection**  
**Next weekend**

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

Perfection is not attainable, but if we chase per-  
fection we can catch excellence. [Vince Lombardi](#)

Try to be a rainbow in someone's cloud.  
[Maya Angelou](#)

Believe you can and you're halfway there.  
[Theodore Roosevelt](#)

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

**GAA NOTES**

**LOTTO DRAW:** Jackpot: €5450 : No Winner

Numbers Drawn: 8, 12, 20, 22.

€30 Winners: Bernie Casey, Tom Fitzgerald, Stephanie Coughlan, Lorraine Keane, Fionuala Collins, Ann Naughton, Aidan Beirne, Ger Enright, Seamie Cunneen, Aimee Brennan.

Next Week's Jackpot: €5600.

Next Week's Venue: The Weavers Inn.

**Croke Park Draw:**

A fantastic array of prizes are available as part of the Croke Park Draw. Some of the items up for grabs include; flights to New York with paid accommodation, a trip away with the 2015 All-Stars, tickets to both the Gaelic Football and Hurling All-Ireland finals, a travel voucher to the value of €1500 and much more. Tickets are priced at just €10 with all proceeds going directly to C.L.G. Cora Chaitlín. For tickets and any further info, please contact; Bob Enright (0872212528), Siobhan Marren (0868455352), Freddy McInerney (0862245157), Cepta O'Connor (0868253097), Jimmy Clancy ([James.Clancy2@genworth.com](mailto:James.Clancy2@genworth.com)), Siobhan Conway or Páraic McMahon ([paudiemc96@hotmail.com](mailto:paudiemc96@hotmail.com)).

**ACCORD**, Catholic Marriage Care Service, is an Agency of the Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference. It has centres located throughout the dioceses of Ireland. Its ministry is primarily concerned with supporting the sacrament of marriage by helping couples as they prepare for marriage and offering support to them in their marriage relationship. ACCORD's aim is to promote a better understanding of Christian marriage and to help couples initiate, sustain and enrich their commitment to one another and to family life. ACCORD's core services include Marriage Preparation, Marriage Counselling and Relationship and Sexuality Education (RSE) through its Schools Programmes. For further information phone your local ACCORD Centre, or ACCORD Central Office, or visit [www.accord.ie](http://www.accord.ie) or if in Northern Ireland visit [www.accordni.com](http://www.accordni.com)

**Toonagh Walk Sun 11th Jan 2015** for "Seeking Vision Clare Sunset Foundation" Start & finish: Toonagh Hall; Register: 11.30am; walk: 12.30pm. Routes to suit all levels of fitness Refreshments served after walk Entry €10 Children welcome (no entry fee for children); Info 0851947763. Please support a worthy cause

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**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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**Clare Public Participation Network / A Voice for Communities:**

All Community, Voluntary, Social Inclusion and Environmental Groups are reminded to register for the Clare Public Participation Network before 9<sup>th</sup> January 2015. This Network will be the main link through which the Local Authority connects with Community, Voluntary, Social Inclusion and Environmental Groups. All groups that have previously registered with Clare Community Forum/Clare County Council must register under this process if they wish to participate in this new structure. For further information, please visit [www.clarecoco.ie](http://www.clarecoco.ie) or contact Valerie on 065 6846545 or [vfleming@clarecoco.ie](mailto:vfleming@clarecoco.ie)

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**OSTEOFIT** classes resume for 2015 on Monday 12 January 2015. If you are in your 60s, 70s, or 80s, and would like to participate in exercise classes in your area OSTEOFIT classes might be of interest to you. OSTEOFIT group exercise classes are specially designed for both men and women in this age group and aim to maintain bone density, improve strength and flexibility, improve balance and reduce the risk of falling. OSTEOFIT is on Mondays at 2pm in Cratloe Community Hall. Newcomers are welcome at any time. Contact Brenda on 087 2255676 or visit [www.osteofit.ie](http://www.osteofit.ie).

**FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY Jan**

In antiquity, **Epiphany** was a Greek word meaning "the visible manifestation of a God". For the Church it is the day on which we celebrate the manifestation of Jesus to the non-Jewish world when wise men came from the East to adore him. While there is evidence of a feast on 6<sup>th</sup> January from the second century it was a different feast in the East and West. The Eastern Church celebrated the Birth of Jesus on this day. St. Matthew talks of Magi or wise men from the East. Origen, a second century writer, is the first to speak of three, possibly because of the three gifts, gold, frankincense and myrrh. In the sixth century they are kings. In the ninth century they have names, Melchior, Caspar & Balthasar. The star still fascinates astronomers. In the contemporary eastern world astronomy was a developed science. One of the modern theories is that in 7BC there were unusual manifestations because of conjunction of Jupiter and Saturn. 7BC was also the year of a Roman census.

There were many traditions in different European countries associated with the Epiphany. In Ireland it was Nollagh na mBan. The woman of the house has the day off after her Christmas labours.

