Darish of Newmarket on Fergus - Carrigery - The Wells Parish Office: Monday to Friday 10.00am - 1.00pm. Parish website: www.newmarketonfergusparish.ie Tel: 061 - 368127 Parish Team Fr. Tom Fitzpatrick: Tel: 700883 / 087 2720187. Image: Canon Reuben Butler: Tel: 368433 Mary Power: Parish Secretary Image: Carrigery 2014						
<u>Newn</u>			Los and Mary MaNamara Pallycor Dood	Recent Death: Pray for the		
Sat	4th	7.30pm	Joe and Mary McNamara, Ballycar Road Martin and Josephine Ward, 8 Ballycar Road	happy repose of the soul of		
Sun Mon	6th	11.00am 11.00am	Joe and Gertie Varden, The Square Patrick O'Donoghue, Ballycuneen Michael and Maureen Earls, Glencragga Mary Shannon, (Nee Earls) Martin Earls, Kilnasoolagh Park	Kevin Marsh, father of Madeline Corry, Lemenagh.May he rest in peace		
Tue		10.00am	Daily Mass			
Wed Thur Fri Sat Sun	9th 10th 11th	10.00am 10.00am 10.00am 7.30pm 11.00am	Mary Leane. Daily Mass Daily Mass Mary and Gerry Burke, Ballycar Michael and Teresa Considine, their son Michael, Urlanmore Sunday Mass	Abundance Prayer Group Meet each Monday except Bank Holidays at 7.30pm in the upstairs meeting room in Newmarket Church		
<u>Wells</u> Sat Sun Mon Sat Sun	4th 5th 6th 11th 12th	6.30pm 10.00am 6.30pm 6.30pm 10.00am	John Kelly, Firgrove Tom Hallinan, Mungret The Epiphany Kevin O'Callaghan, Bunratty Villa Sunday Mass			
Carri		0.00	newest members of our			
Sun Mon	5th 6th	9.00am 7.30pm	Sunday Mass Terry and Caroline Burke, Rineanna Nth. and their family John, Julia, Mary-Ellen, Pat and Joe.	Christian Community who were baptised recently.		
Sun	12th	9.00am	Sunday Mass	Henry Price, Liam O'Carroll,		
Masse Carrig Wells		the Epipha 10.30am 6.30pm	Finn O'Malley, Eoin Meehan, Oisín Galvin, Luke Darcy, Aoife Jones			

FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY

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 6th 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 Nollaig na mBan.

Sacristans Winter Collection will take place next weekend in all churches.

The District Day Care Centre in Clarecastle have a permit for a church gate collection on Jan 11th & 12th

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

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. ****

GAA NOTES

Scór na nÓg

Best of luck to Sinead Quinn from Drumline who will be representing our parish in the Munster semi-final of the solo singing which takes place in Cashel this Sunday. Sinead won the County competition with a beautiful rendition of Noreen Bawn. Sinead has been blessed with a beautiful voice and we know she will do our parish proud – Good luck Sinead.

Lotto Jackpot Win

Huge congrats to Mike Gleeson on his recent jackpot win. Mike has always been a great GAA supporter so we were delighted for him when he picked up his cheque for €12,950. Bestwishes Mike.

NEXT DRAW:- The Pub 6th Jan: Jackpot €2000

Bingo: Wed Night in the Community Centre at 8.30pm sharp. Jackpot now stands at €1750. ****

Pilates and Yoga at Quin Community Centre . Pilates 7pm and 8pm, Yoga 9pm. New 5 week course commencing Tuesday 7th of January €50 for 5 weeks (or €12 pay as you go depending on availability). Contact Deirdre 0872093006

St Senan's Set Dancing Classes resume in the Bellsfort Inn this Tuesday 7th @ 8.30pm for beginners and 9.30pm for advanced.

Clare Grinds School is a newly formed grind school consisting of local secondary school teachers of differing subject areas. Grinds can be one to one or in a class group. Prices start at a very reasonable €15 euro per hour For more information, check out our Facebook page or email <u>claregrindsschool@gmail.com</u>.

**** You're the Best!

The Handball Club wish to sincerely thank all parishioners for their generous response to the collection on Saturday 21st December last; raising funds to carryout badly needed refurbishment to the court, especially to facilitate youth handball development. Our supermarkets are great supporters of community causes; - we wish them a bumper harvest next year; and all parishioners the *'best ever'* New Year.

Clare and Shannon Archaeological and Historical Societies joint lecture series continues on January 7 at 8pm in the Civic Rooms, Drumbiggle, Ennis with a lecture entitled "John Francis O'Reilly (1916 - 1971), the "flighty" boy from Clare". O'Reilly was working as a farm labourer on Jersey when the Channel Islands were occupied by the Germans in July 1940. Two years later he joined German Military Intelligence and in December 1943 he parachuted from a German aircraft landing at Moveen,near Kilkee. He continued to work covertly for the Germans and was eventually detained at Arbour Hill Military Prison by the Irish authories. All are welcome!

The Irish Wheelchair Association supporting people with physical and sensory disabilities have now opened a Charity Shop in Francis Street, Ennis (old Clare FM radio building). We are currently seeking donations of good quality clothing, shoes, bric a brac and furniture for the shop. We also take worn clothes for recycle. Your support would be greatly appreciated. Why not come along for a browse. Thanking you in advance.

Newmarket on Fergus Ladies football and camogie clubs are running an athletic performance academy over the next 2months in the hall. This is to educate and develop players of all ages in sports performance. It will begin on the 9th of January at ≤ 10 a head for the 10 weeks. Guest coaches will be present on a number of nights with areas such as stretching; core exercises, motivation and nutrition are being covered. U12/u14 will run from 7—8, with u16/u18 running from 8-9.

Date	7pm-8pm	8pm-9pm
Jan 9 th	U12/u14	u16/u18
Jan 16 th	Primary schools	U21/ Senior
Jan 23th	U12/u14	u16/u18
Jan 30 th	Primary schools	U21/ Senior
Feb 6 th	U12/u14	u16/u18
Feb 13 th	Primary schools	U21/ Senior
Feb 20 th	U12/u14	u16/u18
Feb 27 th	Primary schools	U21/ Senior
Mar 6 th	U12/u14	u16/u18