Parish of Newmarket on Fergus - Carrigerry - The Wells

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Jan 6th

Sacristans

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

Newmarket

Sat 5 6pm Michael and Maureen Earls, Glencragga

Mary Shannon, Glencragga

Feast of the Martin Earls, Kilnasoolagh Park

Epiphany Martin and Josephine Ward, Ballycar Rd & deceased family members

Michael and Teresa Considine and their son Michael, Urlanmore Mary and Tom Frawley, Treenahow and deceased family members

Thomas Moody, Glenaifreann, Month's Mind

Mon 7 Daily Mass 10am Tue 8 10am Daily Mass Wed 9 Daily Mass 10am Thur 10 Daily Mass 10am Daily Mass Fri 11 10am

Sat 12 6pm Julia McNulty, Kilnasoolagh Park. 1st anniversary

Paddy, Anna Mary and Noel Dillon, Main Street

Mary and Joe McNamara, Ballycar Road

Paddy Coughlin, Ballycar Road

Gerry and Mary Burke, Ballycar Road

Alice Gleeson, Ballycar

Wells

Sun 6 11am John Kelly, Firgrove. Feast of the Epiphany

Sun 13 11am Nora McInerney, 10th anniversary, her husband Joe & son Niall, Hurlers Cross

Kevin O'Callaghan, Bunratty Villa

Carrigerry

Sun 6 9am Feast of the Epiphany

Sun 13 9am Mick and Mary Casey, Stonehall

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

Seamus Ryan, Lemenagh More. *May he rest in peace*

Recent Offertory Collections

29th & 30th Dec — €1427.97 22nd to 25th Dec — €5440.33

Thank You

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.

Kilnasoolagh Christmas Quiz Results

1st Prize (Painting) Patricia Mullins, Newmarket-on-Fergus.

2nd Prize (Crystal Lamp) Sheamus O'Donoghue, Shannon 3rd Prize (Marquis Tumblers) Vera McDermot, Limerick

Thanks to all who supported the quiz by entry and by donation.

Answers:

1) How many dots in total on a pair of dice? 42

2) What country has the longest coast line? Canada

3) What organ in the human body secretes insulin? **Pancreas**

4) What city worldwide has the largest population? Shanghai

88 5) How many keys on a standard piano?

6) On the 5th day of Christmas what did my true love give me? 5 Golden Rings

7) In the 'Bleak mid Winter' carol what did the frosty wind do? Made Moan

8) In the carol 'Ding Dong Merrily on High' where are the bells ringing? In Heaven

Cliff Richard 9) Who had a big Christmas hit with the song 'Mistletoe and Wine'?

10) Most popular carol ever, Silent Night, has been recorded 733 times, Joy to the world what is the second most popular carol recorded 391 times? (Time Mag)

11) Radio & TV presenter Baz Ashmawy was born in what country? Libya

12) Who presents 'The Cutting Edge' on RTE TV Wednesday nights? **Brendan O'Connor**

13) Who will be the new presenter of 'Dancing with the Stars 2019'? Jennifer Zamparelli

14) 'White Christmas' is one of the most popular movies ever, name an actor? Bing Crosby (or

Danny Kaye)

Saoirse Ronan 15) She received a Best Actress award for 'Brooklyn', who is she?

16) What is the driest county in Ireland? **Dublin**

17) The river Nore rises in Borrisnoe in what county? **Tipperary**

18) The Graves of the Leinstermen overlook what lake? **Lough Derg**

19) Where is St. Fiachra's Garden? Kildare (Ntl. Stud)

20) Nine times smaller than Cork, what county am I? Louth

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We bring to your attention the following collections which will be taking place throughout 2019:

6th January : Sacristans Collection

27th January : Diocesan Administration Appeal

24th March : Education Fund 14th April : Trócaire

: Priests' Easter Collection 21st April 5th May : Sacristans Collection 19th May : Lourdes Invalid Appeal 23rd June : Diocesan Needs Appeal 7th July : Priests Summer Collection

1st September : Killaloe Diocese Sick & Retired Priests' Appeal

6th October : Priests' Autumn Collection 14th October: Sacristans Collection 27th October: Mission Sunday Appeal 25th Dec : Priests' Christmas Collection

The collections fall on a Sunday and include the Vigil Masses of the Saturday evening. We ask that no other collection would take place on the weekend of a second collection or the day of the Priests' collection. Thanking all in anticipation of your help

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Abundance Prayer Group

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

Ballycar National School are now accepting enrolments for 2019/2020. Please call 061-368852 for further details.

Scoil na Maighdine Mhuire Split the Pot. € 402.

Congratulations to Mike Kelly who Split the Pot this week

FARMERS MEETING: New farmers group meeting being held in the Auburn Lodge, Gort Road, Ennis. On the 8th of January at 8pm. The meeting will be open to all farmers to listen and ask questions about Ireland 's Beef Plan. Clare rep is Joseph Woulfe. Membership is €10. www.beefplan.ie

GAA NEWS

Congratulations to our €40 Lotto Winners- John Guilfoyle, Dee Corry, Veronica Sheedy, Mike Flynn, Lorraine Burke. Also Well Done to Karen Hannon who was our Last Woman Standing and won €1000 for picking 11 Premier League winners in a row!

Youth 2000 prayer meeting

restarts January 11th. Join us every Friday at 7pm in the Poor Clare's Oratory, Ennis. Join other young adults for prayer and reflection followed by tea and chats in the Friary. All are welcome.

It does not matter how slowly you go as long as you do not stop. -

Confucius

Success is not final, failure is not fatal: it is the courage to continue that counts. - Winston Churchill

Believe in yourself. You are braver than you think, more talented than you know, and capable of more than you imagine. -

Roy T. Bennett

Sacristans Collection

will take place this weekend.