

Parish of Newmarket on Fergus - Carrigerry - The Wells

Parish Office open on Mon, Tue, Thur & Friday 10.00am - 2.30pm. Closed on Wednesdays.

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*Christmas 2021 & The Holy
Family 24th—26th Dec*

Sacristans

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

Newmarket

Fri	24th	5pm	Christmas Eve Mass
		9pm	Christmas Vigil Mass
Sat	25th	11am	Christmas Day Mass
Sun	26th	11am	Margaret Matthias nee McNamara and deceased family members, Ballygireen
Mon	27th	10am	Daily Mass
Tue	28th	10am	Fr Frank and Paddy Murray and deceased family members
Wed	29th	10am	Bridget Freeman, Carnakilla
Thur	30th	10am	Special Intention
Fri	31st	10am	Special Intention
Sat	1st	6pm	Nancy and Jim Power, Ballycar Road Brid and Kevin Marren, Ballincragga Betty Hayes, Gate Lodge, Bunratty
Sun	2nd	11am	Sunday Mass

Wells

Fri	24th	7pm	Christmas Eve, Margaret Egan, Ballycar,
Sat	25th	10am	Christmas Day
Sun	26th	10am	Sunday Mass
Sun	2nd	10am	Sunday Mass

Carrigerry

Fri	24th	3pm	Christmas Eve
Sat	25th	9am	Christmas Day
Sun	26th	9am	Tom Mannix, Ballycalla
Sun	2nd	9am	Sunday Mass



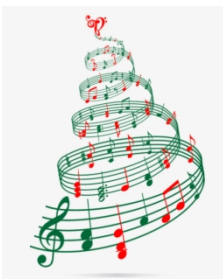
Recent Deaths:

Your kind prayers are asked for the happy repose of the souls of

Rodger Costello, brother of Marie Hannon, Killula

May their souls and the souls of our Faithful Departed rest in the peace of Christ.

An Ecumenical Christmas Miscellany 2021



An ecumenical miscellany of of carols, songs, readings and prayers, recorded across the churches of the Catholic Diocese of Killaloe and the Church of Ireland Diocese of Tuam, Limerick and Killaloe, and coming from St Columba's Church in Ennis. We hope you will be inspired by the knowledge that this is a collaboration between different churches and people of two different dioceses, Catholic and Anglican.

In time we will find that Covid 19, much as we deplore it, has taught us many things. Not least among those lessons will be the knowledge that what unites us, what brings us together, what we share, what we love, what holds us together, is so much more than what divides us.

Please follow the link below to view the programme <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DRavSNzUR7I>
Special thanks to Rev Kevin O'Brien, Rector at St. Columba's, Ennis who edited the production.

Christmas Greeting

Less than three months ago, a bit like Mary and Joseph I wandered into a small village, not in the hill country of Judah but in the county of Clare. While given a similar mission of helping to make Jesus present in this faith community, I can thankfully say that my experience has been radically different to that of Mary and Joseph's in Bethlehem. Instead of finding no room at the Inn, I have experienced nothing but welcome. Instead of depending on mandated visitors like Shepherds and Wise Men calling to see me, so many of you have come of your own accord to welcome me into this Community. The gifts of friendship, support and encouragement that I have received since coming to the Newmarket on Fergus Parish far outweigh gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. For this and so much more I wish to say thank you. I hope that in some small way my presence among you will enable Jesus to be born again in your hearts, in your homes and in this parish. There is no doubting that these are difficult times as we continue to struggle with the pandemic. But like the first Christmas celebrated in a stable, we must trust that while not ideal, and not what we planned for, celebrating another Christmas in the midst of a pandemic, the message of Christmas still rings true. "God is with us". May you and your families experience the blessing of Christ's presence this Christmas and may God protect us all in the year ahead.

Nollaig shona daoibh go léir

Fr. Michael

Newmarket on Fergus Village Centre Residents Association partnered with the Parish to illuminate the festoon lighting in The Fairgreen. Mass goes left Mass on the evening of the 8th of December on The Feast of the Immaculate Conception to be greeted by the very festive lights. The lights will remain illuminated until January 6th the Feast of the epiphany.

Due to Covid restrictions and mindful of concerns surrounding new variants the switching on of Christmas tree lighting was a more reserved occasion this year. The Tree lights were switched on by 8 month old Imogen Brigdale, witnessed by her parents Alan and Jane and the O'Leary and Brigdale families. A tractor run in October raised €15,198.22 as a big thank you to the Ronald McDonald House for their care of Imogen over a protracted period of time early this year.

Scoil na Maighdine Mhuire Split the Pot Results.

December 22 2021

Winner was Mariusz Kozak

Pot this week was €376.00.

Envelope got in EuroSpar.

Next Draw December 29, in EuroSpar.

Parish Office Opening Hours for Christmas

The Parish Office will close on Thursday the 23rd of December and re open on Thursday the 30th of December.

Thank you for your support of the Priest's Collection this weekend.

Christmas Eucharist at Kilnasoolagh

The Christmas Eucharist at Kilnasoolagh Church will be celebrated on Christmas Eve 24th December at 8pm in the parish church. Celebrant will be The Revd. K.M.O'Brien MA, rector of the parish. On Christmas Day at 11.30am Christmas Eucharist will be celebrated in St. Columba's Church, Bindon St. Ennis and also in Christ Church Spanish Point at 9.30am. both celebrated by The Revd. K.M.O'Brien MA, rector of the parishes.

A new history book of the parish is out now-

'Long Ago in Newmarket on Fergus VOL II.'

It's a sequel to the one which came out last March and has the same mixture of photos and stories from our past, involving farmers, nurses, soldiers and nuns. Available now in local shops.

Weekly Collection : €1737.60 : Thank you for your continued support of the work and mission of our parish.

Gaa Lotto results. Our €40 winners were Lynn McMahon, Una Marren, Donagh Keogh, Pat Carroll and Geraldine Hussey. The Jackpot is now over €10,000!