

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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1st Sunday of Lent

March 4th and 5th 2022

Sacristans

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

Newmarket

Sat	5th	6pm	Mossy and Frances McCarthy, Kilnasoolagh Park Joe and Maureen O'Rourke, Ballycar Road Tommy Clancy, Mooghaun Dave Clancy, Carrowmeer Jimmy and Anna Cusack, Ennis Road Gerry Donlon, Knocksaggart
Sun	6th	11am	Mike Gaffney, Granahan Beg Patrick Cassidy, Shannon, formerly of Glenaifreann Kitty McMahon and the McMahon Family—Mr & Mrs Pat, Andy, Gretta, John, Michael, Donie, and Phronsias.
Mon	7th	10am	Paul O'Brien, Ballycar 4th anniversary
Tue	8th	10am	Daily Mass
Wed	9th	10am	Daily Mass
Thur	10th	10am	Daily Mass
Fri	11th	10am	Daily Mass
Sat	12th	6pm	Patrick Freeman, Carnakilla Patrick and Bridget Moynihan and sons Michael and Patrick Jnr. Ballycar
Sun	13th	11am	Sunday Mass

Wells

Sun	6th	10am	Eamonn Wade, Bunratty Lower, Month's Mind
Sun	13th	10am	Ann Brennan, Hurlers Cross Johnny Quinn, Woodpark and his sister Nuala

Carrigerry

Sun	6th	9am	Bernie Duggan, Clenagh. 1st anniversary
Sun	13th	9am	Sunday Mass

Recent Deaths:

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

Mary Garvey, Ralahine South

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

Parish Liturgical Life with the lifting of Covid-19 Restrictions

In interest of the common good and in respect of the vulnerable who join us for prayer we ask that people continue to:

- Wear mask while in the church building
- Hand sanitise when entering and leaving the building
- To maintain social distancing when and where possible
- To continue to receive Holy Communion on the hand

We thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Newsletter items to Parish Office

061 - 368127 or email

office@newmarketonfergusparish.ie

Deadline is 11.00am on Thursday

Office opens on Mon, Tue, Thur & Fri
from 10am to 2.30pm

PARISH WALK : Sat 12th March.

Early Years of Hurling—
Mooghaun North & the Gold Find.
Assembly @ Fair Green 10.45am.
Open to all. Fresh ideas for walks
welcome.

This week the weekly collection

was €1190.76. Thank you for your continued support of the parish. Every contribution makes such a difference to the work of the parish and by extension the spreading of the Gospel. "It is in giving that we receive"

Fasting

Last week we reflected on "Hearing the Call of Lent". This week we continue our reflection with a brief look at the concept of fasting for Lent.

If you are looking to trim some body fat, tone up your muscles, and regain that glowing skin, get yourself a personal trainer. The purpose of Lenten fasting is not to shed those extra pounds. Fasting is about the spirit more than the body. Bodily fasting is meant to create spiritual hunger – a desire to return to the Lord with our "whole heart" (Joel 2:12). By the end of Lent, the hope is that our hearts beat in unison with the heart of Jesus. During Lent take time to connect with the hunger within you. And if you do not sense a spiritual hunger at the beginning of Lent 2022, let the Lenten denial of food to the body (fasting) get you starving.

Abstinence is another dimension of fasting. For those whom fasting is a medical or health hazard, abstinence is equally demanding. Giving up meat on Fridays in Lent is one way we can do this. However, abstinence need not be limited to denying ourselves edibles or potables. Abstinence from rushing into judgements, giving into hate, greed, procrastination, deceit, or a self-centred living can also offer challenging possibilities. Do not be over ambitious. The goal of fasting is spiritual renewal rather than heroic pursuits.

Annual Lenten Trócaire Lecture

"How Women of Faith are responding to the Ecological Crisis" It is a free on line event so visit the St. Patrick's College Maynooth Web-page to register. The talk takes place on Tuesday the 8th of March at 19.00. <https://maynoothcollege.ie/news-events/2022/annual-trócaire-lecture-online-tuesday-8-march-7-p-m>

National Learning Network - Training Opportunities

If you have experienced a personal setback, long-term illness, have a disability or are an early school leaver one of National Learning Network's full-time Courses will give you the confidence to open up new opportunities for further training or employment. We currently have vacancies on our Employer Based Training Programme which offers the opportunity to train in an Employer's business or company while still enjoying all the supports of a training programme. This free programme gives you the choice of type of job you would like to get experience in and what location suits you best. To find out more: phone 061 229777 or 0873454408 or email limerick@nln.ie.

An open night for parents of children wishing to enrol children in Scoil na Maighdine Mhuire for the 2022 / 2023 school year will take place on March 14th & 15th 2022 @ 7 p.m. If you would like to attend please contact the school on 061 368333 or by emailing office@scoilnamaighdinemhuire.ie

The Annual Matt Talbot Novena will continue on Wednesday, 9th March at 7:00PM in Tulla Church with Mass and Benediction. Fr Tom Fitzpatrick will deliver the reflection. On the night we will welcome choir / musicians from St Mochulla's National School. We would love if you joined us in this pilgrimage through Lent.

"Prayer of the faithful for Killaloe Diocese Parishes"

"For all those battling addiction, their families and all those affected by addiction. We pray specifically for those enrolled in the Matt Talbot Prayer Society who will be prayed for at the Monthly Mass in SS Peter and Paul Cathedral, Ennis, on Monday evening. May the Holy Spirit fill them with the strength they need to journey in a life of freedom from addiction with Jesus. Lord Hear Us"

Clare Archaeological and Historical Society : The talk this month is by Fiana Griffin and takes place on Tuesday 8th March in the Old Ground Hotel, Ennis at 8 pm. 'The Golden Age of Irish stained glass: Harry Clarke, Evie Hone and An Túr Gloine' - in the first half of the twentieth century, Harry Clarke, The Harry Clarke Studios and the artists of An Túr Gloine created a Golden Age in Irish stained glass. Fiana Griffin tells the story of this historic epoch, illustrated with examples drawn largely from churches in Clare and Galway.

Trócaire - Aid for Ukraine and South Sudan

The crisis in Ukraine is a devastating humanitarian disaster, which people in Ireland are responding to with deep compassion. The most effective way to provide support to the people of Ukraine is to donate money to humanitarian agencies that are working on the ground in Ukraine and Poland, like Trócaire. Trócaire is working with Caritas Ukraine and Caritas Poland, who are supporting people both within Ukraine and people who have managed to cross the border. They are providing shelter and essential supplies, including food, blankets, and hygiene supplies. However, Trócaire has appealed that we do not forget the many millions of people who are already facing similar crises around the world and who risk being left with no support as the world focuses on Ukraine. Millions of people in countries such as South Sudan, Somalia, and the Democratic Republic of Congo are displaced by conflict and some are facing famine. Trócaire's Lenten campaign supports people living through these forgotten crises. Trócaire also has a separate and specific appeal for Ukraine. We highly recommend that members of the public express their kindness and compassion to people fleeing conflict everywhere by making their donations to Trócaire's Ukraine appeal in addition to their donations to Trócaire's Lenten appeal. The generosity of the people of Ireland is deeply appreciated. Every cent and euro donated to Trócaire will be used to support people who are facing a deep crisis and to ensure no one is forgotten.

Trócaire Boxes are available in the Church or alternatively you can use the Trócaire envelope that forms part of the Parish Box of envelopes. Also if you submit an envelope marked Trócaire we will ensure that it is passed onto Trócaire to enable them in the great work that they do.