

# NEWMARKET ON FERGUS PARISH

## PARÓISTE CORA CHAITLÍN

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### Newmarket

Sat	25th	18.00	Martin and Danny Liddy, Kilnasoolagh Park & Glencragga respectively Elizabeth, Matthew and Sean Carroll and Cora Burke, Cork Mary, Jean, John and Maria Hartigan, Carnakilla Donnie Kilmartin, Rathmore Jack Meere, Knocknagun
Sun	26th	11.00	John Joe and Jean Mc Mahon, Knocknagun House
Mon	27th	10.00	Daily Mass
Tue	28th	10.00	Daily Mass
Wed	1st	10.00	Daily Mass
Thur	2nd	10.00	Daily Mass
Sat	4th	18.00	Jimmy and Anna Cusack, Ennis Road Joe and Maureen O Rourke, Ballycar Road Dave Clancy, Carrowmeer
Sun	5th	11.00	Josephine and Sean McNamara, Ballycar Road Paul and Tom O'Brien, Ballycar

### Wells

Sun	26th	10.00	Pat, Patrick and Bridget Enright, Drumline Seamus Boland, Hurlers Cross
Sun	5th	10.00	Ann Brennan, Hurler's Cross, Clonmoney

### Carrigerry

Sun	26th	09.00	Mass for the people of the parish
Sun	5th	09.00	Bernie Duggan, Clenagh Josie, Tom and Sean Liddy, Ballycalla

### Recent Deaths:



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

**Joan Cunningham, sister of Noel Barrett, Ballycar**

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

### Praying with the Scriptures for Lent.



On the Monday Evenings (except Monday 13th March) of Lent from 19.00-20.00 in the Day Chapel of Our Lady of the Rosary Church, Newmarket on Fergus. Fr. Michael will be hosting an "Introduction to Praying with Scriptures". Each week we will be praying

with the Gospel for the next Sunday. Firstly, we will listen to the Gospel story and asking what did we hear? Then we will take time to see where what we have just heard is evident or not in our own lives or in the world around us. This will then lead us into prayer, where we ask God for whatever it is we hope for in life. No previous



### Fatima Hour

On the First Saturday of every month the Rosary is recited in the Day Chapel of Our Lady of the Rosary Church, Newmarket from 2pm to 3pm. You are welcome to come and join even if only for one decade on Saturday 4th March @ 2pm.

## A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

### Bishop Fintan is inviting you to a meeting



Last month Bishop Fintan gathered the Priests, Ministers of Pastoral Care and representatives of the Parish Pastoral Councils from the parishes in Co Clare to a meeting at the Inn at Dromoland. At this meeting Bishop Fintan began a discussion about possible future structures in the Diocese of Killaloe. The inputs given on that evening can be viewed on the Killaloe Diocesan Webpage: <https://www.killaloe-diocese.ie/conversations-about-the-future-killaloe-diocese/>

In an effort to continue this conversation at the grass roots level, Bishop Fintan is now engaging with individual Pastoral Areas across the Diocese in order to hear the views and insights from as many people as possible. He is extending an open invitation to everybody who is interested to engage the question of how we structure ourselves as a Diocese if we are going to spread the Good News of Jesus Christ into the future. With this in mind there will be a meeting on **Monday 13<sup>th</sup> of March from 7.30-9.30pm at The Inn at Dromoland**. As members of the Tradaree Pastoral Area (Parishes of Newmarket on Fergus, Shannon & Sixmilebridge) you are invited to come along to engage in more in-depth discussions at local level. The Bishop hopes to glean as much insight as possible before discerning where the Spirit of God is calling us as a Church and as a Diocese at this time. Please come along to play your part in shaping the future direction of our Diocese.

### Turkey-Syria Earthquake



A sincere thank you to all who contributed so generously to our collection for the victims of the Turkey-Syria Earthquake. Last weekend the Parish of Newmarket on Fergus collected €6375.31. Yet another mark of the generosity of this community. During the week additional monies were donated which we will add to this sum. We would hope to close this collection in the coming week so that we can forward the monies to Trocaire who have people working on the ground in both Turkey and Syria. We continue to keep the people of Syria and Turkey in our prayers as they deal with this most catastrophic disaster for their people.

### Weekly Collection

In addition to the huge amount of monies collected for the Turkey-Syria Earthquake collection the Parish Collection amounted to €1814.64. A heartfelt thank you to all who contribute so generously to the ongoing running and upkeep of our parish.

### The Annual Matt Talbot Novena will



continue on **Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> March at 7:00PM** in Tulla Church with Mass and Benediction. Fr Michael Collins, former Chaplain to St Joseph's Secondary School will lead us in prayer. On the night we will welcome choir / musicians

from St Joseph's Secondary School. Attending this Novena could be your Lenten resolution.

### There will be a 40th year Class Reunion of 1982 from Colaiste Mhuire.

Temple Gate Hotel 30th of April 2023@6 0 Clock. Join Messenger Reunion 1982 or Contact Ann Malone 0872056073 to book your place.

### Cahercalla Community Hospital & Hospice Weekly Draw

**1<sup>st</sup> Prize €650.00.** Tom Glody, Shannon  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Prize €200.00.** Thomas Ryan, N-on-F  
Only €1.27 weekly. To Join; Contact Fundraising Office 065 6821966  
[www.cahercalla.ie](http://www.cahercalla.ie)



**Seisiún Cois Tine at Cois na hAbhna** This Sunday February 26th at 6pm. Admission €3, children free.

### Excerpt from Pope Francis message for Lent.

*This Lent Pope Francis is using the Gospel for this Sunday, The Transfiguration as the focus of his reflections for Lent. Over the weeks of Lent we will include sections of his reflection.*



The Gospel of the Transfiguration is proclaimed every year on the Second Sunday of Lent. During this liturgical season, the Lord takes us with him to a place apart. While our ordinary commitments compel us to remain in our usual places and our often repetitive and sometimes boring routines, during Lent we are invited to ascend "a high mountain" in the company of Jesus and to live a particular experience of spiritual discipline –*asceticism*– as God's holy people.

Lenten penance is a commitment, sustained by grace, to overcoming our lack of faith and our resistance to following Jesus on the way of the cross. This is precisely what Peter and the other disciples needed to do. To deepen our knowledge of the Master, to fully understand and embrace the mystery of his salvation, accomplished in total self-giving inspired by love, we must allow ourselves to be taken aside by him and to detach ourselves from mediocrity and vanity. We need to set out on the journey, an uphill path that, like a mountain trek, requires effort, sacrifice and concentration. These requisites are also important for the synodal journey to which, as a Church, we are committed to making. We can benefit greatly from reflecting on the relationship between Lenten penance and the synodal experience. *More to follow next week*

**Apostolic Work Mini Display Day.** March 5th from 2pm—4pm in the small hall in the Community Centre. More details on the online version of current newsletter

**Anam Cara Galway**, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding it's monthly Parent Evening for bereaved parents on Wednesday 1st March at 7:15pm in the Clayton Hotel, Briarhill, Galway. This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether their death was recent or not. We also offer a free online service, for more info call us on 01 4045378



### Pioneer Pledge for Lent

Visit the Pioneer Website [www.pioneers.ie](http://www.pioneers.ie) for information on the Pioneer Pledge for Lent, Calendar and quarterly Newsletter. Parishioners who wish to offer prayerful support to a person along the road to recovery from addiction are invited to contact Fr Robert via [www.pioneers.ie/pray](http://www.pioneers.ie/pray) or by post to PTAA, PO Box 13492, Dublin 7



### Adult Faith Formation Lenten Series

Killaloe Diocese invite you to An Adult Faith Formation Lenten series. This series will run on the 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> of March from 20.00-21.15 in the Maria Assumpta Community Hall, Cathedral of St. Peter & Paul, Ennis.

### Accord

Accord is currently recruiting volunteers to train as marriage preparation facilitators. Marriage facilitators are part of a team that prepare couples for the sacrament of marriage. Couples find our courses fun, engaging and very relevant, while facilitators gain valuable life skills. If you are interested, we would be delighted to hear from you. Please contact [marriagepreparation@accord.ie](mailto:marriagepreparation@accord.ie) for **information on recruitment and training. Closing date 26<sup>th</sup> May 2023.**



### EmployAbility Clare

***If you have an illness, disability or any extra support needs and would like some help to find work, EmployAbility Clare can assist you.*** For further information, contact Karen on (065) 6844007 or email [info@employabilityclare.ie](mailto:info@employabilityclare.ie) or log on to [www.employabilityclare.ie](http://www.employabilityclare.ie)

A free service to those with a mental or physical challenge who are registered with us. We offer support in training for certain work, assist in job search, CV's etc and continued support once they are in the job. We give 18 months support to an individual even if they have been placed in a job.

### Apostolic Work Mini Display Day and Raffle



March 5th, 2023, from 2pm—4pm in the small hall in the Community Centre. Anyone wishing to donate a Sacred Vessel can contact any of the following Mary Enright, Molly O'Donnell or Bridget Coughlin.

#### Sacred Vessels Price List

Set of Lectionaries	€170
Large Gold Ciborium	€140
Vat & Sprinkler	€140
Large Silver Ciborium	€130
Large Silver Chalice	€120
Thurible & Boot	€120
Medium Gold Ciborium	€110
Medium Silver Ciborium	€100
Medium Gold Chalice	€100
Sick Call Set 88821	€90
Sanctuary Lamp	€85
Monstrance 5"	€85
Communion Set	€80
Open Ciborium Large	€60
Open Ciborium Medium	€50
Triple Bell	€45
Oil Stocks	€45
Pyx 2"	€35
Open Ciborium Small	€35
Single Large Bell	€30
Single Bell 15cm	€20
Mass Kits From €250 — €425	

Also if anyone has unwanted Christmas gifts they would be gratefully received. Please contact any of the above.

**Trócaire :** As we mark the beginning of a new Lenten season, we wanted to highlight a few key dates over the weeks ahead.

**Tuesday, 28 Feb**

*Trócaire Lent Workshop*

Learn more about Somalia and how Trócaire is working with local partners to provide essential humanitarian assistance and build a better future

**Tuesday, 7 March**

*Trócaire Lent Lecture*

How can Catholic Social Teaching help us to navigate fragility and lead us to local power and global justice in times of unprecedented crises?

By Dr. Ethna Regan (DCU) and Cardinal Czerny, moderated by Eileen Dunne

**Tuesday, 14 March**

*Trócaire Lent Workshop*

Marking 50 years of Trócaire - hear from voices past and present about the impact Trócaire has made around the globe

**Sunday, 19 March**

*RTE Mass for Trócaire, 11am*

Celebrated by Bishop William Crean with introduction by Trócaire CEO Caoimhe de Barra

**Tuesday, 21 March**

*Trócaire Lent Workshop*

Reflecting on Somalia in light of Laudato Si' – Pope Francis' encyclical on Care for Our Common Home

**From Sunday, 9 April**

*Return your Trócaire Boxes*

To join any of workshops, which are held at 2:30pm and 7:30pm, please [sign up here](#).

To register for the Lent Lecture:

- to attend in person at this link; <https://bit.ly/3jdPzvv>

- to attend online at this link; <http://bit.ly/3Rho3ty>

As you know, we have also created detailed and engaging resources for your parishioners and for families to find out more about Somalia, the family story featured on the Trócaire box this year, as well as stories of change over the past 50 years at Trócaire. Please read or download all these resources [here](#).

As always, if you would like to book a Mass talk or Parish Workshop by a member of Trócaire staff, please email [niamh.morris@trocaire.org](mailto:niamh.morris@trocaire.org).

Lastly, while we will be talking about Somalia over the weeks ahead, we must not forget the harrowing situation in Turkiye and Syria, where Trócaire is responding on the ground through our partner Caritas Syria. We will leave you with a prayer for all those affected.

Thank you.

With my gratitude,

Colm Hogan

Church Manager

**A Prayer for Syria and Turkey**

All our hearts are going out to the people of Syria and Turkiye .

May the people of these lands have the courage and strength to live each day.

May they have all the supports, aid, love and compassion needed.

Syria is suffering so much pain and turmoil from war and conflict.

May leaders open all borders so that all resources can get through.

May generosity and God's blessings bring strength and hope to everyone who has been affected

May minds and hearts be moved to remember loved ones who have died, those who are injured and missing,

We hold them all in our hearts this day, Amen.