

NEWMARKET ON FERGUS PARISH

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Newmarket

Sat	9th	18.00	Margaret McNamara, Rineanna Paddy and Ellen Lynch, Ballycar Pat McCoy, Kilnasoolagh Park Miko and Maureen McMahon, Ballygireen Breda and John Collins, Urlan Mick and Sheila Power, Clenagh Anne O'Loughlin, Ballygireen her sister Mary and Tom Crowe Joseph Collins, Ballinooskny
Sun	10th	11.00	Patrick, Bridget, Mary and Carmel Flannery, Mause
Mon	11th	10.00	Daily Mass
Tue	12th	10.00	Daily Mass
Wed	13th	10.00	McNamara Family, Ballygireen
Thur	14th	10.00	Daily Mass
Sat	16th	18.00	Pakie Joe Kennelly, Kilnasoolagh Park. 1st anniversary Jimmy and Christine O'Callaghan, Glencragga Breda Burke, Glenaifreann Pa, Teresa and Anthony Burke, Ing
Sun	17th	11.00	Mary Maxwell, Kilnasoolagh Park Noreen Brennan, Stonehall

Wells

Sun	10th	10.00	Tom Ryan, Bunratty East Robert and Maureen O'Donnell, Castleconnell Michael and Dan Meskell, Castleconnell
Sun	17th	10.00	Michael and Marie Crowe, Killula Bridie Hickey, Hurlers Cross, Clonmoney

Carrigerry

Sun	10th	09.00	Pat and Bridget McBride, Stonehall
Sun	17th	09.00	Sunday Mass

Recent Deaths:



Your kind prayers are asked for the happy repose of the soul of the
John Casey, brother of Susan Ryan, Urlanmore

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

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Mercy on the Mall Friday the 15th of December from 13.00-16.00.

There will be a number of priests available throughout the Shannon Town Centre for anybody who wishes to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Pastoral Area Reconciliation Service

This will take place on Wednesday the 20th of December 19.30 in Mary Immaculate Church. Priest from the Pastoral Area will be available to hear confession in the context of a Reconciliation Service.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

For those who cannot make either of the above services please consult your parish newsletter to see when the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available in your local parish.



Brass Band Performances : The Brass Band will hold their end of year concert in the Community Centre on Tuesday December 12th at 7.30pm. Entry is free and there will be a raffle on the night. All three events will be very enjoyable for all the family. Brass music tuition continues every Tuesday night at the Community Centre from 6.30pm followed by ensemble playing at 7.30pm. All are welcome.



Senior Activities & Care @ The Health & Wellness Centre in the grounds of Carrigoran. Please join our very social setting for conversation, fun, music, bingo, board games, bridge, gentle exercises, informative talks, garden walks and lots more... with a qualified, experienced and fun Team Monday to Thursday, 10.00am-3.30pm Just E12 to include transport by bus, all day activities, breakfast and dinner Contact Maeve on 061



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A big thank You to all who supported the sale of Hand Knitted Garments last week in the Skycourt Mall. The local branch of the Apostolic Work wish to express their sincere gratitude to all who supported this sale. €410 was raised and all proceeds go to the missions.



Make a Joyful noise Unto the Lord

Since the music ministry has returned to our liturgies following the two year lockdown during Covid-19, the Advisory Committee on Church Music decided to reach out first to Cantors. Very successful workshops for Cantors have taken place at three different venues over the past year with up to 160 participants taking part. The Advisory Committee will continue its journey reaching out to Cantors in other suitable venues in 2024. To continue its outreach to the music ministry it was decided at the Autumn meeting of the Advisory Committee on Church Music to hold a national gathering for diocesan personnel with responsibility for music and liturgy in their diocese. This gathering will include organists and directors of music in Cathedrals. The date set aside for this event is 24 February, 2024. A questionnaire will be sent out to the dioceses and Cathedrals in early January 2024 to prepare for the national gathering. The Advisory Committee will have more information in the New Year. With every good wish and a very Happy Christmas. Yours sincerely, Sister Moira Bergin, Secretary, Advisory Committee on Church Music.



Weekly Offering

A sincere thanks to all who contribute so generously to last weekend church collection. The amount donated €1486.28



Advent
A Season of Hope & Expectation

Advent is a journey towards Bethlehem. May we let ourselves be drawn by the light of God made man...Pope Francis

It is the beautiful task of Advent to awaken in all of us memories of goodness and thus to open doors of hope.....Pope Benedict XVI

At this Christmas when Christ comes, will He find a warm heart? Mark the season of Advent by loving and serving others with God's own love and concern...Mother Teresa

St. Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal:

The Local branch wish to thank most sincerely all those have contributed to the Christmas Appeal over the last couple of weeks and also extend thanks to those who donate throughout the year. Your generosity is very much appreciated.



We continue our Christmas Appeal and if you wish to donate we would very much welcome local vouchers for food, fuel, meat etc or cash donations which can be left in the Parish Office . Thank you for your support.

Prayers for Priests Prayer Group

There will be a meeting on Monday 11th December in Our Lady of the Wells Church, Clonmoney at 19.30



Meetings are the second Monday of every month. Contact Mary by text only please on 087 3143289

There's a fantastic new poster out now showing the Top 20 historical treasures of this parish. In glossy colour and A2 in size, it makes a lovely postable Christmas gift. Free home delivery anywhere in Co. Clare and costs just €12. Framed €40. To order, text Colm Liddy 086 8035319



"JFK and the Hickey Connection" was shown in Shannon Library on Thursday 30th November. It included research and a personal story of Rachel Cavanagh along with confirmation of Hickey Graves in Kilnasoolagh by the late Ted Kennedy. About 25 people attended.



Christmas Bingo in aid of Mid West Simon Community Homeless Charity, at The Armada hotel, Spanish Point on Wednesday 13th December 8.30pm. €3,500 prize money pro rata, massive raffle on the night



Christmas Choir practice for members of Our Lady of the Rosary Church choir will take place on the next two Wednesdays (13th & "0th Dec) at 7pm. (Please make every effort to attend)



Reaching out to all volunteers wishing to help with an hour or two of sweeping/hovering & dusting in Our Lady of the Rosary Church on Monday 18th December from 6pm.



He gave work to mankind as a gift (Genesis 2:15).