NEWMARKET ON FERGUS PARISH PARÓISTE CORA CHAITLÍN

Parish Office open on Mon, Tue, Wed & Fri 10.00 — 14.30 : Tel: 061 - 368127 Parish website: www.newmarketonfergusparish.ie / email: office@newmarketonfergusparish.ie Fr Michael Collins, Tel: 087 6389847

Newma	arket		
Sat	9th	18.00	Pat Delaney, Ballincragga. Month's mind
			Gerry Donlon, Knocksaggart
			Jimmy and Anna Cusack, Ennis Road
			Patrick Cassidy, Shannon & Newmarket
Sun	10th	11.00	Ger Kenneally, Kildare & Newmarket
			Patrick Freeman, Carnakilla
Mon	11th	10.00	Daily Mass
Tue	12th	10.00	Daily Mass
Wed	13th	10.00	Daily Mass
Thur	14th	10.00	Daily Mass
Sat	16th	18.00	Joe and Maureen O'Rourke, Ballycar Road
			Patrick and Bridget Moynihan & sons John, Patrick and Michael, Ballycar
Sun	17th	11.00	St Patrick's Day
			Michael and Josephine O'Loughlin, Ennis Road
Wells			
Sun	10th	10.00	Michael Liddane, Low Road, Bunratty. Month's mind
			Bridget O'Brien, Clonmoney. 1st anniversary
Sun	17th	10.00	St Patrick's Day
			Mary Hallinan, Hill Road, 2nd anniversary & deceased family members
			P.J. Woulfe, Shannon View, Bunratty
			Philip Callaghan, Sixmilebridge
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Sun	10th	09.00	John and Winnie Kelly, Carrigerry & deceased members of the Kelly family
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Recent Deaths:

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

Fiona Shanahan, Kilnasoolagh Park

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



A sincere thanks to all who contribute so generously to last weekend church collection. The amount donated €2266.67



St Patrick's Day Mass Times are the same as usual weekend.

16th March 18.00 : Newmarket

17th March 09.00 : Carrigerry 10.00 : The Wells 11.00 : Newmarket



Prayers for Priests Prayer Group Meetings are the second Monday of every month in Our Lady of the Wells Church. This month it will be held on Monday 11th March at 7.30pm. Contact Mary, by text only please, on 087 3143289

The Wedding Singer Musical by Ennis Musical Society

The Wedding Singer Musical will take to the stage in Glór, March 27th to 30th. This year's show is based on the hit rom com of the same name and is sure to have you laughing! With members from all over Clare and Limerick, we are looking forward to seeing you there. Tickets are available from <u>glór.ie</u> and are on sale now!

Continuing with Pope Francis and his Lenten Message.



In this section of his Lenten Letter Pope Francis highlights our attraction to power which hold the potential to create conflict when we as the People of God are called to encounter. He encourages us to pause with God and our neighbour this Lent to see how our almsgiving, prayer and fasting can bring us out of ourselves in acts of service and love.

"Even more to be feared than Pharaoh are the idols that we set up for ourselves; we can consider them as his voice speaking within us. To be all-powerful, to be looked up to by all, to domineer over others: every human being is aware of how deeply seductive that lie can be. It is a road well

-travelled. We can become attached to money, to certain projects, ideas or goals, to our position, to a tradition, even to certain individuals. Instead of making us move forward, they paralyze us. Instead of encounter, they create conflict. Yet there is also a new humanity, a people of the little ones and of the humble who have not yielded to the allure of the lie. Whereas those who serve idols become like them, mute, blind, deaf and immobile (cf. Ps 114:4), the poor of spirit are open and ready: a silent force of good that heals and sustains the world.

It is time to act, and in Lent, to act also means to pause. To pause in prayer, in order to receive the word of God, to pause like the Samaritan in the presence of a wounded brother or sister. Love of God and love of neighbour are one love. Not to have other gods is to pause in the presence of God beside the flesh of our neighbour. For this reason, prayer, almsgiving and fasting are not three unrelated acts, but a single movement of openness and self-emptying, in which we cast out the idols that weigh us down, the attachments that imprison us. Then the atrophied and isolated heart will revive. Slow down, then, and pause! The contemplative dimension of life that Lent helps us to rediscover will release new energies. In the presence of God, we become brothers and sisters, more sensitive to one another: in place of threats and enemies, we discover companions and fellow travellers. This is God's dream, the promised land to which we journey once we have left our slavery behind."



A Prayer in Gratitude for our Mothers Good and Gentle God, we pray in gratitude for our mothers and for all the women who have joined with you in the wonder of bringing forth new life. You who became human through a woman, grant to all mothers the courage they need to face the uncertain future that life with children always brings. Give them the strength to love and to be loved in return, not perfectly, but humanly. Give them the faithful support of family and friends as they care for the physical, emotional and spiritual growth of their children. Give them joy and delight in their children to sustain them through the trials of motherhood. Most of all, give them the wisdom to turn to you for help when they need it most. Amen



Note from the Parish Finance Council

We wish to express our thanks to all who have returned their CHY3 Enduring Cert Application Form. We are most encouraged and appreciative of your response. We have had a phe-

nomenal response and for that we say thank you. If you have not received a form from the Parish Office and you wish to partake in the scheme, please call the Parish Office and we will have a form forwarded to you. Signing up results in you giving an additional 31% of a contribution to the parish at no additional cost to yourself. We would love to bring this project to a close in the coming weeks so if you still haven't got around to filling out your CHY3 Enduring Cert Application Form please do so this week and return it in the enclosed stamped selfaddressed envelope that came with the paperwork. We take this opportunity to thank each and every one of you who contribute in a myriad of ways, to the work and mission of the parish.



Attention Special Needs Assistants & Healthcare workers

We are hiring Family Support Workers in the Newmarket, Sixmilebridge, Clonlara & Shannon Area.

Our family support workers support people with additional needs in their homes, in the community or as part of a social or club setting.

- * Are you a special needs assistant or healthcare worker?
- * Would you like to earn extra money?
- * 10+ hours per week or choose what suits your availability
- * Do you have availability at weekends, afternoons, evenings or school holidays?

If so, this opportunity may be of interest to you.

There is a specific position in Newmarket on Fergus area Monday—Friday 8pm to 10pm. For more information please contact Noel Regan by email at nregan@enableireland.ie or phone 085 8712630 to discuss

Newmarket On Fergus Lotto results:

The jackpot of \notin 9650 was not won. The Five winners of our draw for \notin 40 were Ellen Tuffy, Pauline Cronin, Ann Shanahan, Anita Considine and Kay McCarthy. We are now accepting Membership for the current year, see social media for details. *Thanks to all our supporters.*

St. Patrick's Weekend Céilí Saturday March 16th 8pm - 11pm with The Dal gCais Céilí Band Admission €10 Cois na hAbhna

The Annual Matt Talbot Novena will continue on



ill continue on Wednesday, 13th March at 7:00PM in Tulla Church with Mass and Benediction. Fr Tom Ryan from

Ennis Cathedral will lead us in prayer and reflection for the gifts of reconciliation. Priests will be available for the celebration of the sacrament of Confession for Easter.