

# NEWMARKET ON FERGUS PARISH

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### Newmarket

Sat	23rd	18.00	Hannah Cutt, Ballycalla. 1st Anniversary Noel O'Halloran, Knocksaggart Barney Baylon, Kilnasoolagh Park Special Intention
Sun	24th	11.00	Ciss Harrington, Ballycar Road Kitty McMahan, Ballincragga Andy & Gretta McMahan and sons Donie, Mike Andy & John Proinseas McMahan, Ballincragga Tara O'Brien, Rineanna North. 2nd anniversary
Mon	25th	10.00	Daily Mass (confessions available before mass)
Tue	26th	10.00	Daily Mass (confessions available before mass)
Wed	27th	10.00	Daily Mass (confessions available before mass)
Thur	28th	19.30	Mass of the Lord's Supper followed by Exposition in Day Chapel until 21.30 Fr Michael will be available for confessions during this time of Adoration.
Fri	29th	15.00	Ceremonies of the Passion of Christ
		19.30	Stations of the Cross
Sat	30th	10.00	Morning Prayer for Holy Saturday
		21.00	Easter Vigil Mass.
Sun	31st	11.00	Easter Sunday Thomas Gregan, Kilnasoolagh and deceased family members Joan Cullen, Ballycar Road. 5th anniversary

### Wells

Sun	24th	10.00	Sunday Mass
Sun	31st	10.00	Easter Sunday

### Carrigerry

Sun	24th	09.00	Patricia Henchy, Rineanna
Sun	31st	09.00	Easter Sunday



### Continuing with Pope Frances Lenten Message.



*Pope Francis finishes his Lenten Letter by encouraging us to have hope and to keep searching. In many ways this is the message of Holy Week and Easter. Those who don't lose hope while standing at the foot of the Cross are the ones who will lead the disciples who did lose hope and ran away, to where they can encounter the Risen Lord and new life at the empty tomb and later in the Upper Room. To the extent that this Lent becomes a time of conversion, an anxious humanity will notice a burst of creativity, a flash of new hope. Allow*

*me to repeat what I told the young people whom I met in Lisbon last summer: "Keep seeking and be ready to take risks. At this moment in time, we face enormous risks; we hear the painful plea of so many people. Indeed, we are experiencing a third world war fought piecemeal. Yet let us find the courage to see our world, not as being in its death throes but in a process of giving birth, not at the end but at the beginning of a great new chapter of history. We need courage to think like this" (Address to University Students, 3 August 2023). Such is the courage of conversion, born of coming up from slavery. For faith and charity take hope, this small child, by the hand. They teach her to walk, and at the same time, she leads them forward.*



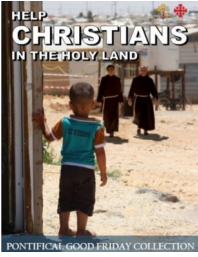
Weekly Offering

A sincere thanks to all who contribute so generously to last weekend church collection. The amount donated €2024.16



The success of the Apostolic Work Display Day on March 3rd last was the culmination of the many people who each year give generously of their time to set up the venue along with all who come to support the event. Your support is greatly appreciated. The amount raised for the Missions this year was €2665

## Good Friday Appeal to help Christians in the Holy Land.



This year because of the war in Gaza, life in the Holy Land is in chaos and this looks set to continue for some time. Pope Francis has asked parishes to redouble efforts to take up a collection on Good Friday this year to support the needs of the Christians in the Holy Land. This year the needs are massive and the plight of the Christians in the land that Jesus himself once walked

desperate. The exhortation to support the Saints in Jerusalem was first made by St. Paul in many of his letters. The Church has always supported this call so we are asked to support it once again. In our efforts as a Parish to answer this call you will have an opportunity to support this cause at the end of our Good Friday celebrations. If you wish to support this cause but will not be in a position to attend this liturgy place your donation in an envelope marked Holy Land Appeal and place it in the basket at any of the Holy Week liturgies.



St Patrick's Day Parade and Concert. On St Patrick's day The Newmarket-on-Fergus Community Centre Brass Band marched from the Library to the Community Centre followed by a free concert in the Community Centre. As well as the Brass Band three harpists from the Deirdre O'Brien Vaughan school and Irish dancers from the Croghan Greene Bennis School of dancing performed. There was a large turnout of all age groups. The Concert was in the main hall which has been recently refurbished and the addition of the new stage curtains was appreciated by all.

**Aran Kits Pop-Up Shop.** The Community Hall, Kilmurry. Saturday 6th April 11am to 3pm. A selection of pure wool Aran Knit dresses/jumpers/hats/scarves/bags/throws/rugs & cushions. Cash Only please as there is no card facility. Beneficiary this month is Clare Branch Multiple



**The Annual Matt Talbot Novena** will continue on Tuesday, 26th March at 7:00PM in Tulla Church with Mass and Benediction. Fr Pat Malone will lead us in prayer and reflection. There will be a special blessing of car and house keys at this evening's Novena. Attending this Novena could be your Lenten resolution



### Simple Prayer for Palm Sunday

O God, as we enter this Holy Week,  
renew our minds and spirits.

Let the story of Jesus's entry into Jerusalem  
inspire us to welcome Him into our hearts anew.

May the palms we wave symbolize our  
commitment to follow Him more closely,  
to live lives of service and compassion,  
just as He taught us.

Amen

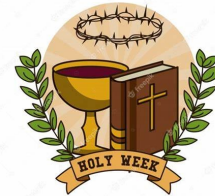


## Chrism Mass

This year the Chrism Mass will take place on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> of March (Spy Wednesday) in St. Mary of the Rosary Church, Nenagh at 19.30. You are welcome to attend either in person or via webcam. Please do keep the priest and Ministers of Pastoral Care and Catechesis in your prayers as they renew their commitment to ministry and to the promises they made when ordained or commissioned at the beginning of their ministerial journey.



## Holy Week Schedule 2024



**Monday – Wednesday March 25th—27th**  
Daily Masses will be celebrated at 10.00.

### Holy Thursday: March 28th

There will be no morning Mass on Holy Thursday. Mass of the Lord's Supper will be at 19.30 in Our Lady of the Rosary Church. Following this Mass there will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the Day Chapel until 21.30. Fr. Michael will also be available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation during this time of Adoration.

### Good Friday: March 29th

Ceremonies of the Passion of Christ will be celebrated at 15.00 in Our Lady of the Rosary Church.  
The Stations of the Cross will be prayed at 19.30 in Our Lady of the Rosary Church.

### Holy Saturday: March 30th

Morning Prayer for Holy Saturday will be prayed at 10.00 in Our Lady of the Rosary Day Chapel.  
The Easter Vigil Mass will take place in Our Lady of the Rosary Church at 21.00

### Easter Sunday Masses: March 31st

09.00	Easter Sunday in Carrigerry
10.00	Easter Sunday in Wells
11.00	Easter Sunday in Newmarket

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

The Pastoral Area will be hosting its Sacrament of Reconciliation liturgy in St. Finnachta's Church, Sixmilebridge on Monday 25th at 19.30. You are most welcome to come along to this celebration of God's infinite love for us expressed in the gift of his forgiveness. As Pope Francis reminds us God never tires of gifting forgiveness.

Fr. Michael will be available to hear confessions before Mass on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday morning of Holy Week and on Holy Thursday after the Mass of the Lord's Supper during the time of Adoration .