

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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3rd Sunday of Advent.

16th Dec 2018

Sacristans

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

Newmarket

Sat	15	6pm	Sean Clancy, Ballinacragga McMahon Family, 'Roseville' Ballinacragga — Marie & Pat the King, Andy, Greta, Gerard, John, Michael, Donie, Phronsias and Kitty
			Patrick, Bridget and Mary Flannery, Mause Paul Higgins, Main Street. 2nd anniversary
Mon	17	10am	Daily Mass
Tue	18	10am	Daily Mass
		7pm	Penitential Service
Wed	19	10am	Daily Mass
		7pm	Mary Maxwell, Kilnasoolagh Park 1st anniversary
Thur	20	10am	Daily Mass
Fri	21	10am	Daily Mass
Sat	22	6pm	Barry Ryan, Ballinooskny Patrick and Mary Fahy, Ing



Wells

Sun	16	11am	Bridie Hickey, Clonmoney and Ennis. 1st anniversary Tom Ryan, Low Road, Bunratty. 4th anniversary Maureen and Bob O'Donnell
Sun	23	11am	Sunday Mass

Carrigerry

Sun	16	9am	Sunday Mass
Sun	23	9am	Sunday Mass

Mass offered: Jimmy and Christina O'Callaghan, Glencragga, whose anniversaries occur at this time

Recent Death: Pray for the happy repose of the soul of **Thomas (Bommer) Moody**, Glenaifreann, *May he rest in peace*



The Sacrament of Reconciliation.

We welcome the Friars from the Franciscan Community in Ennis who will lead our Reconciliation Service in **Our Lady of the Rosary Church, Newmarket on Tuesday evening Dec 18th at 7.00pm.** With Christmas on our door step, we are invited to pause and reflect on our life journey. Most of us are aware of being less than perfect, of doing things we later regret. If we hang on to our regrets and guilt it may cripple us and make us unable to reach out in love to God, ourselves and others. The sacrament of Reconciliation is a means of renewal, putting the past behind us and starting afresh. May Christ be our light as we approach this great season of grace and hope. May he be born again in our hearts cleansed of sin and may he find warmth and welcome when he comes.

As the weather gets colder and the days get darker the Killaloe Diocese Justice, Peace & Care of Creation Committee urges all of us to keep an eye on elderly neighbours. As Church we all have a responsibility to look after each other so if you have any elderly neighbours living alone near you, take 5 minutes to check if they need any errands run and to ensure they are warm enough and have enough food. A little gesture can make a big difference.



GAA: Jim Guerin was the scorer of 3 goals in the 1914 All Ireland final and one of the finest hurlers ever from this parish. He died only four years after that triumph, a victim of the Spanish flu epidemic. Join us for a commemoration of the centenary of his death at his final resting place in Fenloe graveyard at 3pm this Sunday.

Congratulations to our €40 Lotto Winners- Joe Cullen, Lisa Walshe, Deirdre Howard, Sammi O'Donoghue, Conor Wixted. The Lotto is changed to Sunday night for the next 3 weeks. Also the next 2 weeks have the extra Christmas bonus quick pics there will be ten €40 given out.

Shortest Day, Longest Night

Samaritans in Ennis mark the Longest Night by remembering those who need them most.

Samaritans Ennis & Clare will mark the Longest Night of the year by reminding those struggling most that they are there for them during their darkest hours. Friday 21st December is the Winter Solstice, the shortest day - and the Longest Night - of the year. To mark the date Samaritans in Ennis & Clare will be **holding a candlelight vigil at The Square Ennis Co. Clare at 6pm to 8pm.** Several Samaritans branches across Ireland will hold similar events to coincide, with some having extra volunteers on hand to answer calls. **Claire Cremin** Samaritans Ennis & Clare Director and lead volunteer, urged people in the town to support them on the night to highlight that volunteers are available 24 hours a day by phone, email and text. "We know as it's the Friday before Christmas, many people will be out socialising after work or late-night shopping, but it would be great if people could try to join us for a short time," she said. "We want to make this a positive event and show that we can bring light to those who need it most. We want to highlight that whatever people are going through, we're here to listen every day of the year, even on Christmas Day. We would appeal to everyone to come along and bring family, friends and neighbours." Samaritans offer emotional support to those who need it most, when they need it most. You don't have to be suicidal to ring Samaritans. Many people call because they are stressed, depressed, anxious, bereaved or lonely or struggling with everyday life. Anyone who is struggling over the coming weeks can call us on freephone 116 123, text on 087 260 9090, email on jo@samaritans.ie or visit us at Sunville Kilrush Road Ennis Co. Clare. For further information contact **Claire Cremin Ennis & Clare Samaritans Director / Susan Sheil on Tel: 087-6389541**
Email: ennisprsamartans@gmail.com

Scoil na Maighdine Mhuire Split the Pot. € 604

Congratulations to Caroline McAuley who Split the Pot this week

Last weekend's Church Collection + Holy Day = €2159.25. Thank You

The Apostolic Work will hold their Annual Church Gate Collection next week-end, December 22nd/23rd at all Masses.

Trocaire 'Do not let the downtrodden retreat in confusion, give the poor and needy cause to praise your name.' Psalms 74:21.

Millions of people have had to flee conflict in South Sudan and Yemen. In one area alone in northern Uganda 33,000 mainly women and children from South Sudan have taken refuge. They have witnessed and experienced the worst kind of violence and have arrived traumatised and broken. Trocaire's Christmas Appeal will help these people and many others rebuild their lives.

Visit www.trocaire.org to find out more.

Christmas Quiz's....

The Honk Annual Charity Christmas Quiz will take place on Tuesday 18th December @ 9pm. €40 per Team of Four. All monies will be donated to Newmarket on Fergus Meals on Wheels. Quiz Master will be Tom O'Dea. Spot Prizes Galore on the night. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Kilnasoolagh Church Quiz : Kilnasoolagh church is an integral part of the architectural heritage of Newmarket-on-Fergus village. It is an ancient building and from time to time it needs expenditure on the maintenance front. Recently the east gable had some water ingress. The coping stones needed pointing, that in turn means scaffolding, an expensive installation for a short period of time. That work has been completed outside but now there is interior work to be done on the east window reveal. In order to help cover this expenditure we have organised a Christmas Quiz. This is a little bit of fun which can be completed with friends over a cup of coffee in about an hour. Cost is €2 per entry - enter often, it gives you a better chance of winning and supports the cause. Or make a donation to Kilnasoolagh Church maintenance fund. Quiz sheets can also be downloaded from <http://www.newmarketonfergusparish.ie/> Please complete the quiz with your name and phone number and return the entry form with entry fee to Edwin Bailey or Parish Office

At Vincent de Paul

Unfortunately, due to circumstances beyond our control, we were unable to secure a permit in Newmarket Parish this weekend. If anyone would like to donate you still may do so by dropping an envelope into the Parish Office or by IBAN: IE75AIBK93548431455068.

St Vincent de Paul : If you or anyone you know needs the services of the local branch of St Vincent de Paul please call the Local Helpline on 086 3024238, leave a brief message and a member will call you back. We offer direct, personal assistance that is non-judgemental and based on the need of the individual or family.



Mass times for Christmas

Christmas Eve:

6.00pm : Childrens Mass—Newmarket
7.30pm : Carrigerry
7.30pm : The Wells
9.00pm : Newmarket

Christmas Day

9.00am : Carrigerry
10.00am : Wells
11.00am : Newmarket

Confessions at Christmas

Tue 18th Dec - 7.00pm — Reconciliation Service
Christmas Eve: 12noon to 1.00pm in Newmarket church in the confessional Box

