



PARISH INFORMATION NEWS SHEET

Parish of Newcastle and Newtownmountkennedy with Calary

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Happy 100th Birthday to Essie Murray!

Sending congratulations and good wishes from everyone in the Parish



MAYDAY! MAYDAY!

The Parish needs your help.

With lockdown after lockdown, no church services and no fundraising, the Parish coffers are looking a little empty.

We're having a Gift Day on Saturday 1st May

Please give what you can to keep the Parish afloat

You can donate by bank transfer:

Bank: AIB, Church Rd., Greystones

Account Name: Select Vestry Parish of Newcastle

& Newtownmountkennedy

IBAN: IE72AIBK 9335 5415 2450 30 BIC: AIBKIE2D

You can use Paypal: nandnparishoffice@gmail.com

Or you can drop your donation to the Parish Centre on the day between 10am and 4pm

Thank you so much

From the Rector

Dear friends,

I hope you are all keeping well and are enjoying the longer evenings, now that the clocks have changed to summer time. As someone who has worked in the outdoors for most of my working life, that sense of the change in seasons is something that I love, a time of expectancy and hope. It cheers the soul to enjoy the wonder of God's creation, as we leave late winter and move towards the joy of spring, the joy of Easter Sunday, the greatest day of the year! I hope that the weather continues to improve and that you all get to enjoy it.

That sense of expectancy and change is echoed in the season of Lent, through to Holy Week. We have observed the season of Lent, carefully keeping the days, stilling our hearts and minds and hearing the call to repentance and the assurance of forgiveness that are proclaimed in the gospels. While there is that great sense of expectation and hope, there are many difficult days on the path to the cross, before the joy of the Resurrection.

That difficulty is mirrored in our own experiences, as we find ourselves in another difficult year, with Lent, Holy Week and Easter being very different. However we too must continue in expectancy and hope for better days to come, that we can return to some semblance of normality again, meet loved ones and friends and even return to church! In the meantime our online services will continue, on our YouTube channel, *Newcastle, Newtownmountkennedy with Calary*, with reflections during Holy Week and a celebration of Holy Communion for Easter Sunday.

As it is Easter, Fiona and I would love to give all the primary age children in the parish an Easter egg! We will be in the Parish Centre grounds on Saturday 3rd April between 10am and 1pm for anyone who would like to drop by and collect an egg. Please observe the 5K restrictions and remain in your cars. If you would like an egg for your child but are unable to come on the day, please text me (087 9892941) or Fiona (087 4145929) and we will be happy to keep eggs for you! There will also be eggs available for the younger parishioners in Calary Church. We would like to thank the manager and staff of Dunnes Stores in Newtownmountkennedy for assisting us in procuring the eggs!

If anybody needs any help or assistance, or just for a chat, please contact me on 087-9892941 or by email: stylesross@gmail.com.

Mayday, Mayday, your parish needs your help!

As we have mentioned, this year has been very difficult for everybody. That includes our parish. With churches closed and no social fundraising events possible, funding the parish has become a problem. As we approach a hopeful end in site for level 5 lockdown and an eventual return to worship, we need to be prepared to reach out and cater for all in our parishes, with events and activities for the youngest and the oldest parishioners and everybody in between. As a community of faith we need to reconnect after a very long and troubling time of upheaval. It is the hardest thing to do in these difficult times, to ask for help, but for this parish to grow, that is what we need. To recover and grow we need funding and we need your help to do it. Therefore we are planning several fundraising events, the first of which is going to be a gift day. Basically we are asking for donations of whatever you can afford to the parish, which will take place on the 1st May. Hence the Mayday on May day! There will be several means of donation – bank account, Paypal, or physical donations, for which I will be at the Parish centre all day on Saturday 1st May to gratefully receive. Thank you in advance for your kindness and generosity.

May I wish you all a happy and a blessed Easter.

Stay safe and well.

God bless, Ross



You can subscribe to the Parish YouTube channel at

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCm7w-nz_QsIxD4pEswUY4gA/videos

CALARY NEWS

Calary Church Open for Private Prayer

Calary Church will be open between 9.30 am and 11 am for private prayer each Sunday from Easter Sunday onwards. Face masks must be worn, hand hygiene and social distancing must be observed.



Calary Annual Easter Vestry

Tuesday 20th April 2021 8pm

Meeting to be held on Zoom

This is an extremely important meeting and all parishioners are encouraged to take part.

The Zoom meeting ID and password will be sent to parishioners before the meeting.

Annual Easter Vestry Parish of Newcastle & Newtownmountkennedy

Wednesday 21st April 2021 at 8pm vis Zoom (link to follow)

We hope to welcome as many of you as possible

Registers

Sunday 21st March 2021 Newcastle Church

Max and Sebby sons of Tara Egan-Langley and Rory Nolan, Newtownmountkennedy, Co Wicklow.

We pray that Max and Sebby grow up to honour the promises made for them at baptism and that they bring much joy to their family as they grow.



Do you own this key?

It was found in
the grounds of
the Parish Centre





GARDENING Monday

ARTS & CRAFTS
Tuesday

STEAM CLUB

Wednesday

MINDFULNESS Thursday BAKING Friday



Gardening: Green fingers at the ready, from beautiful flowers to tasty veggies, let's get planting!

Arts & Crafts: Get creative with paper, paint, glue, glitter and more. Explore your artistic flair.

STEAM Club: All things science, engineering and technology. How does it work? Why does it work?

Mindfulness: Learn how to calm and relax your mind, understand your feelings, and cultivate kindness through art, craft and meditation.

Cooking: Create delicious dishes in the kitchen and build your own recipe book to bring home.

FEES

Afterschool Activities Club 2.20—4.20pm
€100.00 per subject per term
10 week term of supervised homework and extra activities in a fun friendly atmosphere

Childcare 1.20—2.20pm €7.50 per hour

Childcare 2.20—5.20pm €5.00 per hour

Minimum 2 hours after 2.20pm.

Children in childcare have access to all Afterschool Club activities.

Term starts Monday 12th April Booking and more information at 087-7216929

Calling all children in the Parish aged between 1 and 12

Come along to the Parish Centre on Saturday 3rd April

from 10am to 1pm
to collect an
Easter Egg from
Rev Ross and Fiona



Please observe the 5K restrictions and remain in your cars during collection.



Pre-school Places

Our pre-school is now fully booked for the year starting September 2021. We would like to remind anyone considering us for their little ones for September 2022 onwards to get in touch to avoid disappointment.

Email Joanne at parishcastlekidz@gmail.com or phone 087-7216929



Easter Word Search

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ANGELS APOSTLES BETRAYAL BLOOD CALVARY CROSS CROWN OF THORNS CRUCIFIXION DARKNESS DEATH EARTHQUAKE **EASTER GOLGOTHA** HIGH PRIEST JESUS CHRIST JOSEPH JUDAS ISCARIOT KING

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SQE

MARY NAILS **PASSOVER** PIECES OF SILVER PIERCED PILATE RESURRECTION ROBE **ROMANS** SACRIFICE SIMON OF CYRENE SOLDIERS SON OF GOD SPEAR STONE TEMPLE THIEVES THREE DAYS TOMB

Thine Be The Glory

1. Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son, endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won; angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away, kept the folded grave-clothes where thy body lay:

Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son, endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.

2. Lo, Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb; lovingly he greets us, scatters fear and gloom; let the Church with gladness hymns of triumph sing, for her Lord now liveth, death hath lost its sting:

Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son, endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.



3. No more we doubt thee, glorious Prince of Life; life is nought without thee: aid us in our strife; make us more than conquerors through thy deathless love; bring us safe through Jordan to thy home above:

Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son, endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.