



**PARISH INFORMATION NEWS SHEET**  
**Parish of Newcastle and Newtownmountkennedy**  
**with Calary**

**JULY/AUGUST**  
**2015**

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## From the Rector's Desk

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

I have just been watching a programme on TV called 'Long Lost Families'. It is a well known and popular series and I feel sure is one watched by most of our readers. I had often heard about it and it is a favourite with my own family even though I had not seen it before. This week's programme brought three sisters together and none of them knew they had any sister. The other was the happy re-union of a father and daughter who had only met once when she was five years old. Wonderful endings meant new beginnings for all concerned and it seemed that life had become complete for those five individuals. Each one looked forward to building on new relationships in the future, but at the same time expressed a sadness that so many years had gone by with no contact or even the hope of having these new relationships.

I was deeply moved by the programme as anyone would be but I was also challenged by what it reminded me of. Many people are out there not knowing that there is a family wanting to welcome them; there is a father wanting to bring completeness to their lives and that they are thought about every day and are deeply loved. There is a loving father wanting to have a relationship with his children, and not just a form of religion, but a personal, living relationship. It is the relationship with family members that made the difference to those featured in the TV programme.

The other essential movers in the programme were those who were able to bring the people together. If we claim to be in God's family then the commission he has given us is to be actively involved in helping to unite people with our Heavenly Father. A little something to ponder - it has been said that every person is either a missionary or a mission field!

At the time of writing, the summer camp is in full swing in the Parish Centre. This is an activity packed programme for boys and girls and is organised by our Sunday School Teachers augmented by willing volunteers and headed up by Karen Kissane. A big thank you to Karen and her team for giving their time and making this an exciting time of fun and learning for the children.

This is the time of year for the outdoors and Calary Parish was first off the blocks on 20th June with a BBQ and plant sale in Willie and June Roe's garden. This, now annual event, was a beautiful occasion, in beautiful

surroundings, when we not only enjoyed great food, but were delighted to welcome Claire Chambers back from her sky dive made earlier that day. The sky dive was made to help fund the repair of the tower of Calary Church. Tribute was also paid to Sophiemae Behan who had 14 inches of her hair cut off to help children suffering from cancer. We congratulate these two brave ladies for the imaginative ways they chose to benefit other people.

Lots of energy was expended by a lot of people on Saturday last and indeed for a long time before and after Saturday. It was the Newcastle Parish Fair. Weeks of planning by members of the committee, headed up by Karen Reynolds, paid off and even though the chosen day clashed with a number of other events in the area the occasion was enjoyed by all and about 4000 euro made for Parish funds. Sincere thanks to all who supported this day in any way.

I do hope you have a time for relaxation over the summer period and are looking to the new challenges that await us in September.

Every good wish,  
William



## **PLAYSCHOOL**

**Parish Centre, Church Lane, Newcastle**

**Opening September 2015  
9am—12 noon**

**Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays  
2015/2016**

**Monday to Friday ECCE Scheme  
2016/2017**

**Information and Enrolment Forms from:  
[parishcastlekidz@gmail.com](mailto:parishcastlekidz@gmail.com) or phone Karen at 087 2866889**

# **N & N NEWS**

## **Baptisms at Newcastle**

21st June 2015

### ***Charles Peter Stringer***

son of Emma and Peter, Tooman Farm, Kilpedder, Co Wicklow

### ***Mirabelle Clementine Gibbons***

### ***Christopher Paul Gibbons***

### ***Gabriel Conor Gibbons***

children of Allison and David, Season Park House, Newtownmountkennedy, Co Wicklow

We congratulate the parents of these children and pray that they will grow to honour the promises made for them at baptism.

## **Coffee**

Coffee mornings continue during the summer every Tuesday from 10.30am in the sitting room at the Parish Centre.

## **Lunch**

The monthly lunches will take place on Thursday 16th July and Thursday 20th August. After our excursion to the Castle Inn in June we will revert to the Parish Centre as normal.

## **Summer Fair**

Thank you to all those who supported the Summer Fair, and especially to the army of people who worked so hard to put it on. A sum of c.€4,100 was raised for parish funds.

## **Holidays**

William will be off duty from Monday 20th July for two weeks. He will be back in harness on Monday 3rd August. In case of emergency phone Karen at the Parish Office at 2819300 or at 087-2866889.

Karen will be on holiday from Monday 3rd August, back on Monday 17th. Contact her before then if you think you may need her help with anything during that time.

## **Vestry Meeting**

The next meeting of Select Vestry is on Wednesday 15th July at 8pm in the Parish Centre.

## **Congratulations**

Well done to Tony and June Noonan who were presented with a gold award for services to the RNLI at a ceremony in the Guinness Storehouse on Saturday 27th June.

## **Thanks**

Sophiemaë Behan would like to thank everyone who sponsored her for the Rapunzel Foundation. She has raised over €500 as well as donating 14 inches of her hair. A special thanks to Clare Holt from Hair by Clare at Poppies for cutting her hair and to Mrs Watchorn for sending a note out at school.

# Clubs and Organisations

Most organisations have closed for the summer with a few exceptions.

## **Parents and Toddlers**

The Parent and Toddler group will meet on Monday mornings from 10.30am during the summer months under the leadership of Kim and Emma, while Deirdre takes a well-earned break.

## **Table Tennis**

The table tennis club will continue to meet for the summer months on Monday evenings at the Parish Centre.

## **Time Out**

The prayer group will meet on the *first* Tuesday in July and August at 8pm in the Parish Centre sitting room.



## **GARDEN OPENING**

(by kind permission of Caroline and Ralph Tindal)

Ballydonarea House  
Lott Lane, Kilcoole

Thursday July 23rd  
from 7pm

€10 per person

Cheese and Wine  
Walk around the garden  
Meet up with our Greystones neighbours

In aid of the parishes of Greystones  
and Newcastle/Newtownmountkennedy

# CALARY NEWS

## **Music in Calary**

Saturday July 4: Musici Ireland and Michael McHale will play Beethoven's Spring Sonata and Schubert's Trout Quintet.

Friday July 24: Wicklow Proms will present The Maria Callas Songbook in Calary with Giselle Allen (soprano) and Ruth McGinley (piano).

Friday August 21: John Purser, composer, poet and foremost historian of Scottish music will introduce many of his own compositions to Calary.

All concerts begin at 8 pm and tickets can be booked by emailing [derekneilson@eircom.net](mailto:derekneilson@eircom.net) or phoning John on (01) 2818146.

## **Skydive**

Claire Chambers wants to thank everyone for their donations and support for her Charity Skydive in aid of Calary Church restoration. The Church is again fully open for worship, after the four rocking granite pinnacles on top of the belltower were firmly fixed. The dive took place on 20 June, and Claire said that it was an exhilarating challenge and descent.

The final tally is not yet known but it is currently over €1000. It is not too late to donate if it slipped

your mind! It is hoped the dive will pay for at least one of the pinnacles.

## **Barbeque**

Thanks to everyone who helped and supported the barbeque at June and Willie Roe's and, of course, to June and Willie themselves for hosting the event. The weather stayed kind and it was a wonderful evening.

## **Heritage Week**

There will be free guided tours of Calary Church and graveyard during Heritage Week, when the church will be open on Saturday 22nd August, Sunday 23rd August, Saturday 29th August and Sunday 30th August between 2 pm and 6 pm.

Refreshments and local produce will also be available. For further information, please email [derekneilson@eircom.net](mailto:derekneilson@eircom.net) or phone 086 8319457.

## **Sunday School**

Sunday School will continue to take place in the Church Room during the summer months, except when there is Family Service.

# PRIMETIME

PRIMETIME is a Church of Ireland Diocesan social club for people who are single, separated or divorced, or for people who would like to make new friends. For more details contact Georgina on 087 6716745

## Events for July & August

### **Saturday, 11<sup>th</sup> July**

8pm

Dinner at the Wicklow Heather Restaurant,  
Laragh, Co. Wicklow.

Contact Mary on 087 9574476

### **Sunday, 9<sup>th</sup> August**

1.30pm

Trip to Howth by DART.  
Refreshments/Café/Bar Food etc.

Meet at Bray Station.

Contact Georgina on 087 6716745

### **Saturday, 29<sup>th</sup> August**

8pm

Dinner in Mao Restaurant,  
Stillorgan, Co. Dublin.

Contact Fleur on 086 0536999.

# SUMMER FAIR



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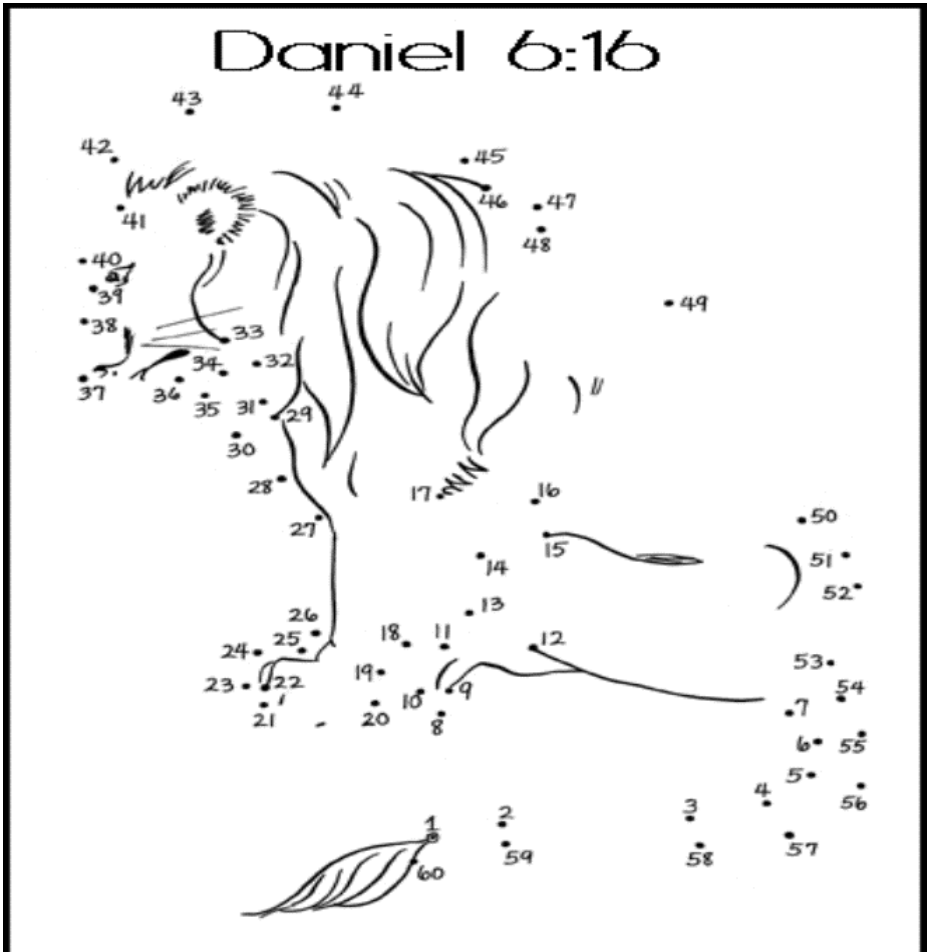
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# Children's Page



**Q. What kind of man was Boaz before he married Ruth?**

**A. Ruthless.**

**Q. What do they call pastors in Germany?**

**A. German Shepherds.**

# SERVICES IN AUGUST

DATE	CHURCH	TIME	?	SERVICE	READING
<b>Sun-day 2nd</b>	Calary	9.30	CT	MP	<i>2 Sam. 11:26-12:13</i> <i>Eph. 4:1-16</i> <i>Jn. 6:24-35</i>
	Newcastle	11.00	CT	MP	
<b>Sun-day 9th</b>	Calary	9.30	WB	HC	<i>Eph. 4:25-5:2</i>
	St Matthew's	11.00	WB	HC + Baptism	
<b>Sun-day 16th</b>	Calary	9.30	WB	MP	<i>Eph. 5:15-20</i>
	Newcastle	11.00	WB	MP + Baptism	
<b>Sun-day 23rd</b>	Calary	9.30	WB	MP	<i>Eph. 6:10-20</i>
	St Matthew's	11.00	WB	MP	
<b>Sun-day 30th</b>	Calary	9.30	WB	MP	<i>Rev. 3:14-20</i> <i>Matt. 4:23-5:20</i>
	Newcastle	11.00	WB	MP	

Please send any items for inclusion in September PINS to:  
nandnparishoffice@[gmail.com](mailto:nandnparishoffice@gmail.com)

**Items must be received by MONDAY 24th August**

# SERVICES IN JULY

DATE	CHURCH	TIME	?	SERVICE	READING
<b>Sunday 5th</b>	Calary	9.30	WB	HC	<i>2 Cor. 12:2-10</i>
	Newcastle	11.00	WB	HC	
<b>Sunday 12th</b>	Calary	9.30	WB	MP	<i>Eph. 1:3-14</i>
	St Matthew's	11.00	WB	MP	
<b>Sunday 19th</b>	Calary	9.30	WB	MP	<i>Eph. 2:11-22</i> <i>Mk. 6:30-34, 53-56</i>
	Newcastle	11.00	WB	MP	
<b>Sunday 26th</b>	Calary	9.30	MC	MP	<i>2 Sam. 11:1-15</i> <i>Eph. 3:14-21</i> <i>Jn. 6:1-21</i>
	St Matthew's	11.00	MC	MP	



**Holy Communion**  
 is celebrated every Wednesday,  
 with prayer for the sick,  
 at 10.30am in St Matthew's,  
 followed by a cup of tea / coffee in the McLean Room.  
**All welcome!**