



PARISH INFORMATION NEWSHEET

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with Calary**

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From the Rector's Desk

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

Certain things in life really amaze me and I am sure we all have things that amaze us and leave us speechless.

Occasionally I go for a walk to Newcastle Beech at night time. The nights I remember most are the frosty winter nights when the sky is clear of clouds and the stars are twinkling brightly overhead. As one walks towards five mile point, among the big rocks, helping to prevent coastal erosion, there is a rock with a reasonably flat surface perfectly shaped for someone my size to lie on. Many of you may have identified this particular rock and had similar experiences to me while resting there. I sometimes lie flat on this rock and look at the stars. At first they are beautiful and they twinkle and as I look for longer I see more and more all the time. It is then that my mind begins to go 'completely into orbit'.

Science tells us that one light year is about 5.88 trillion miles. A light beam needs only 8 minutes to travel the 93 million miles from the sun to the earth. Apart from the sun the nearest star to earth, Alpha Centauri, is 4.4 light years away. If we place the distance from earth to the sun at one inch then the distance to Alpha Centauri is 4.4 miles. and completely mind boggling is the fact that one of the most distant known galaxies from earth is Sombreo Galaxy. Using the same scale of one inch from sun to earth, this galaxy is 65,000,000 miles away. This is too much for my little mind to comprehend but it is amazing.

Something else that I have been reading about is the world population explosion. In 1950 world population was 2.5 billion, by 2000 it had reached 6 billion and today is about 7.5 billion. An alarming rate of growth by any standard.

Food shortage, over population, resistance to many known antibiotics, extreme religious groups, the growth in drug abuse, and the list could go on, is what we face in our little planet earth in 2016.

All this takes on a very different perspective when we appreciate the grandeur and vastness of God's creation. Without a belief in a God who cares and wants to intervene in peoples lives there would be little hope for any of us. Suffering will always be part of this life but as people of faith we can lift our sights above the fear and uncertainty of the future and hold to the sure promises of God our creator. Jesus said ' My peace I give to you, not as the world gives, do not let your hearts be troubled neither let them be afraid' He wants us to be people of hope, not fear; people looking to better things than this world can ever afford. This only comes true for us as we learn to know and trust him in our own lives and experience.

May we grow in his grace in his love and in his peace.

William



CALARY NEWS

Sunday School

Sunday School continues in the Church Room during Sunday Service, except when there is Family Service.

MUSIC IN CALARY SUMMER 2016

WED JUNE 22 @ 8PM €15 /€15	LANCE COBURN PERFORMS WORKS BY BEETHOVEN, SCHUMANN AND TCHAIKOVSKY
FRI JUNE 24 @ 8PM €15 /€15	MUSIC IRELAND BETH MCNINCH (VIOLA) LANCE COBURN (PIANO) AND SHARON CARTY (MEZZO) PERFORM WORKS BY BRAMME, LOEFFLER, FRANK BRIDGE AND MICHAEL HEAD.
THURS JUNE 30 @ 8PM €15 /€15	THE JANET ASHE RECITAL A NUMBER OF TALENTED YOUNG PIANISTS BILLIE O'BRIEN, RYAN McGRATH, TIFFANY QUI WITH SAMUEL ALLAN CHAIKOVSKI ON VIOLIN
THURS JULY 28 @ 8PM €15 /€15	A WICKLOW PROM PIGALLE, EDITH Piaf AND LE CHAT NOIR WITH DERBY BROWNE (CHANTEUSE), DAVID WRAY (CLAYER) AND DEREK McKENNA (ACCORDION).
THURS SEPT 8 @ 8PM €15 /€15	MUSIC IRELAND HELENA WOOD (VIOLIN) BETH MCNINCH (VIOLA) AND GRAINNE HOPE (CELLO) PLAY WORKS BY BOCCERINI, DONIZETTI AND SCHUBERT.
SAT SEPT 17	CONCERT AND SUPPER FOR SISTER MARY IN MULLRU WITH MOYA O'GRADY, DAVID O'DOHERTY, GERALDINE O'DOHERTY AND EDEL O'BRIEN CELLO, VIOLIN, HARP AND VOICE
SAT OCT 8 @ 8PM €15 /€15	TRIONIA MARSHALL TRADITIONAL AND CONTEMPORARY MUSIC FOR HARP.



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BOOKING@CALARYCHURCH.IE



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CALARY CHURCH IS ON THE RT66
(PLUNKANEWINE TO EDINGWODE)
EXIT R 667/111 FREE PARKING

MUSIC IN CALARY CHURCH IS HONORARILY SUPPORTED BY
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CALARY PARISH

MID-SUMMER BBQ AND PLANT SALE

Roe's Farm, Killough,
Kilmacanogue.

Saturday, 18th June @ 6:30pm

Adults €10 Children Free!

Includes.... Burgers, Sausages, Salads,
Desserts & Soft Drinks.
(Bring your own Steak and Beer)

BOOKINGS :

JUNE 01 286 6030

ETHNI 086 809 2211



Bonanza Plant Sale

for Fields of Life Child Sponsorship



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Baptism at Newcastle

Sunday 22nd May 2016

Esmae Miriam, daughter of Caroline and Conor O'Leary, 6 Seacourt, Newcastle.

Congratulations to Caroline, Conor, Elliott, and the Twamley and O'Leary families. We pray that Esmae brings you all great joy and that she grows up to honour the promises made for her at baptism.

Tuesday Coffee

If you're free on a Tuesday morning, drop in to the Parish Centre Sitting Room for a cup of coffee or tea, a slice of toast or cake any time from 10.30 am. €2 and the chat is free.

Lunch

The June lunch will take place on Thursday 16th. It's still €10 per head for a main course, dessert, and coffee. Book with Karen.

Cycle Against Suicide

Cycle Against Suicide 2016 covered 1,100 km and made its way through 18 counties, spreading the message that 'it's ok not to feel ok'. After 14 days it finished up on Saturday May 7th with a big party at Dublin's Royal Hospital Kilmainham.

Thousands of cyclists took part, some covering the whole course and others taking part in some of the legs. Newcastle Parish Centre was very happy and honoured to provide the facilities for the penultimate stop for lunch as the cyclists neared the end of their journey. It was a chance for the cyclists to refuel and rest, and a chance for us to hear some of the participants' stories.

A huge thank you to all the volunteers who helped out on the day. It was a great experience and a sight to behold as the hundreds of cyclists arrived.



SUMMER FAIR 2016



**This year's fair will take place on Saturday
27th August and the theme is PIRATES!
See over the page for how you can help
out with manpower, (note blank spaces),
donations, publicity, etc
Items can be left in the Parish Centre**

AGAPE MEAL



**Sunday
5th June
at 12 noon**

**Parish Centre
Newcastle**

**Everyone welcome to come and share a meal
around the table together, followed by the
breaking of bread and sharing of wine.**

**Please bring food to share if you can (salads,
meats, breads, easy-to-eat desserts)**

SUMMER

STALL	CONTACT	NEEDED
GATE	Ed Power	
BURGERS	Ian Fleming Maurice Madden	
LUNCHESES	Caroline Tindal	Salad ingredients Sandwich fillings
TEAS	Jean Harris	Donations of scones and biscuits
ETHNIC FOOD		
SMOOTHIES		Donations of fruit
DRINKS	Peter Johnston Miriam Johnston	
RAFFLE		Prizes, prizes, prizes
BOOKS	Muriel Norse	Books in good condition
BRIC-A-BRAC	Jane Smith	Good as new items
TOYS		Toys in good condition No soft toys.
CLOTHES	Karen Reynolds	Good as new clothes Washed and ironed
HANDBAGS & JEWELLERY	Ruth O'Toole	Items in good condition please
SPORTS EQUIPMENT		Unwanted perfect sporting equipment or clothes
PLANTS		Donations of flowers, shrubs, vegetables, fruit
FLOWERS		Donations of freshly cut flowers & bouquets

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CAKES	Deirdre Byrne Claire Adams	Donations of cakes, small cakes, tarts, breads, etc
COUNTRY PANTRY	Karen Kissane Sue Maginn	Donations of jams, chutneys, savouries
BOTTLES	Pauline O'Sullivan Pat O'Sullivan	Donations of bottles of all kinds
WHEEL OF FORTUNE	Ralph Tindal	Prizes welcomed
JAR HOOPLA	Niamh England	Donations of jars filled with small items
KNOCK THE PARROT		A parrot! (Not real)
SPORTS ARENA	Shane O'Neill	
FACE PAINTING	Gillian O'Neill Niamh Kidd	
HAIR BRAIDING	Kate O'Neill	
FANCY DRESS		
CHILDREN'S BAKING COMPETITION		
DRAWING TENT	Jessica O'Neill	
PONY RIDES		
MC	Gerry Reynolds	
SET UP/TAKE DOWN		Strong people to put up tents and stalls
PARKING/SECURITY	James Norse	
PUBLICITY	DO YOU LIVE NEAR THE ROAD?	WE NEED YOUR GARDEN FOR A SIGN

Clubs and Organisations

Sunday School

Our last Sunday school for this year will be Sunday 12th June. I want to take this opportunity to thank all the wonderful helpers who give up their time to help out during class. Prize giving will be held during family service on Sunday 19th June, children will be given prize vouchers (based on attendance) to redeem at the scripture union shop in the Parish Centre after the service. Wishing you all a very enjoyable summer.

Summer Camp 2016

We are now full for this years camp and are looking forward to a fun filled few days. Further information on the camp will be issued towards the end of June. If you have any questions, please give me a call on [087 2709759](tel:0872709759). Karen K.

Parents and Toddlers

The group meets on a Monday morning from 10am in the Parish Centre. Everyone welcome to drop in for play and a chat. No Parents and Toddlers on Bank Holiday Monday. Last official meeting on 27th June, though it may run a few days over the summer. Keep an eye on the WhatsApp group.

Table Tennis

Table Tennis continues on a Monday night from 8pm in the Main Hall at the Parish Centre. Everyone welcome.

Bible Club

The Bible Club finished up its study of Revelation at the end of May. Thank you to everyone who came along and took part in the debates, questioning and conversations. You were a great group of people. Tuesdays won't be the same without the glass of wine, nibbles, interesting discussions and good company.

Time Out

The prayer group will continue to meet in June on the first and third Tuesdays at 8pm in the Parish Centre.

FAMILY SERVICE

**SUNDAY
19th JUNE
AT 12 NOON**



**LAST ONE OF THE SEASON WITH
THE JUNIOR CHOIR
SUNDAY SCHOOL PRIZES**

**FOLLOWED BY
A BARBECUE**



**SAUSAGES, SIDES AND
ICE CREAM PROVIDED
BRING ALONG YOUR OWN MEAT**

EVERYONE WELCOME!

Melanie Watchorn

It has happened and is a great disappointment to the teachers, parents and children of St Francis National School. I speak of the announcement of Mrs Melanie Watchorn's retirement. Melanie has headed up St Francis since the school began in 1982 and will be retiring in August of this year.

The process to select a new principal has begun and we hope that the new principal will take up duty at the beginning of the school year in September.

I know that our readers, parishioners, parents, staff, past pupils and, most importantly, present pupils of the school join me in thanking Melanie for a career of dedicated service to those in her care, and in wishing her and Colin a very happy and long retirement.

William Bennett

St. Francis' National School

School will close for the summer holidays on Thursday 30th June. At our assembly that day we will say goodbye to 6th Class and wish them well as they move on to the next stage in their education. Our sixth class pupils this year are:

**Sophie Mae Behan
Harrison Boxall
Lucy-Ann Cassidy
Lorenz Cuffe
Barra Cullen
Ruth England
Ari Herman
Sean Lundy
Max Molloy**

Thanks Melanie!

As a parent whose children attended St Francis NS for a span of 27 years without a break I feel qualified to give an opinion on Melanie's time as principal in the school. (I think the Smyth family hold the record for the most children in a family attending the school at one time).

I can honestly say that Melanie was a caring and fair teacher/principal, though not a pushover by any means. She went to great lengths to ensure that any bullying was stamped out, that children were not isolated, that older children looked out for the younger ones, that children respected adults and the school staff, and that parents were aware of any potential problems that their children faced.

All five of my children have fond memories of their time at St Francis and of 'Mrs Watchorn'. It says a lot that Claire is devastated that Melanie won't be principal when Ethan starts at St Francis. They each benefited in different ways but all have a love of reading, a priority in the school.

A friendly atmosphere and valuable ethos emanates from the leadership in an organisation and that is what Melanie fostered and achieved. Not everyone can say that the legacy from their working life is a large crowd of genuinely nice children and now-adults who have been pointed in the right direction in life.

Thank you Melanie from those children and their parents.
Karen Reynolds

Please send any items for inclusion in July/August PINS to:
nandnparishoffice@gmail.com

Items must be received by MONDAY 20th June



PLAYSCHOOL

Parish Centre, Church Lane, Newcastle

**Opening 5 days from September 2016
9am—12 noon**

**ECCE places available
(minimum age 3 years old)**

**€4.50 per hour for non-ECCE children
(minimum age 2 years 7 months)**

**Beautiful setting
Bright modern facilities
Enthusiastic talented staff**

Limited number of places available

**Information and Enrolment Forms
from the Parish Office
parishcastlekidz@gmail.com
or phone Karen at 087 2866889**

Children's Page



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SERVICES IN JUNE

DATE	CHURCH	TIME	?	SERVICE	READING
Sunday 5th	Calary	9.30	WB	HC	<i>Gal. 1:11-24</i>
	Newcastle	12.00	WB	Agape Meal	
Sunday 12th	Calary	9.30	CT	MP	<i>2 Sam. 11:26 - 12:10, 13-15</i>
	St Matthew's	10.45	CT	MP	
	Newcastle	12.00	CT	MP	
Sunday 19th	Calary	9.30	WB	FS	<i>1 Kings:19:1-4</i> <i>Gal. 3:23-29</i>
	St Matthew's	10.45	WB	HC	
	Newcastle	12.00	WB	FS + BBQ + Sunday School Prizes	
Sunday 26th	Calary	9.30	WB	MP	<i>Gal. 5:1, 13-25</i> <i>Luke 9:51-62</i>
	St Matthew's	10.45	WB	MP	
	Newcastle	12.00	WB	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!**