

PARISH INFORMATION NEW SHEET

*Parish of Newcastle and Newtownmountkennedy
with Calary*

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www.newcastleparish.org www.newtownmountkennedyparish.org

www.calaryparish.org and click on 'Calendar of Events'.

Dear Parishioners,

What a wonderful Spring time we are having! The farmers have had an ideal sowing season and it could not have been more ideal for the lambing. Growth in grass and crops has been exceptional. In this depressing economic climate we can all find lots to thank God for.

One thing I always thank God for is the number of committed people within our parishes who seem to dedicate themselves to endless service for God through various activities within the parishes. Members of Select Vestry in Calary and Newcastle/Newtownmountkennedy, Building Committee, Sunday School teachers, Creche leaders, Parent and Toddler Group, Tuesdays and Thursdays at the cottage, Church cleaners and flower arrangers, and a growing choir in Newcastle. The Monday evening 'Time Out', Youth Club, Table Tennis and Bowls Clubs all need committed leaders and we have been blessed to have them. The list could go on but to say sincere thanks to all who encourage us all by using your gifts to serve God within our group.

The Easter Vestry for Calary was held on 13th April but for Newcastle and St Matthews will be on 3rd May. The venue this year will be the Parkview Hotel, Newtownmountkennedy and time 8 pm. I strongly encourage you to make a big effort to attend. There will be reports on many aspects of Parish life including an update on progress regarding the building project.

*God Bless,
William*

News from the Diocese

East Glendalough Parishes Funday

The second annual Funday will be held at East Glendalough School on 22nd May from 2pm - 4pm. The day is organised by the two Rural Deaneries of East Glendalough and facilitated by 3Rock Youth and there will be fun and games for all the family.

Enthronement of Michael Jackson

The enthronement of the Right Revd Dr Michael Jackson as Archbishop of Dublin and Bishop of Glendalough will take place in Christ Church Cathedral on Sunday 8th May at 4.00 pm.

Bishop Jackson has held many notable positions in the Church of Ireland, including chairmanship of the Church in Society Committee and, currently, chairmanship of the Board for Social Theology. He has been the Bishop of Clogher since 2002. Dr Jackson also plays an active role in the wider Anglican Communion, especially in the areas of ecumenism and inter-faith dialogue. He is married to Inez, a doctor, and they have one adult daughter, Camilla.

Parish News

Holy Baptisms

Newcastle, 3rd April

Emma Rebecca, daughter of Tim and Tanya Collie, Bedford, England

Charles Patrick, son of Matthew and Lorraine McElwain, Woodbeg, Leabeg, Newcastle.

Congratulations to both sets of parents. May God bless the homes of these children as they grow up and bring joy and happiness to their families.

Funerals

Sylvia Good

A thanksgiving service was held in Newcastle Parish Church for Sylvia Good who passed away in Loughlinstown Hospital after debilitating illness. Sylvia was loved by all who knew her and, in particular, by her mother Eileen, sister Ann, and brothers Michael and Alec. The service of thanksgiving was held after her mortal remains were committed for cremation at Harolds Cross. Tributes were paid to all who cared for Sylvia, but in particular to Ann and Fred and the services provided at Sunbeam.

Mrs. Alice (Ciss) Roberts, Dunran, Newtownmountkennedy.

Mrs Roberts moved from Dunran to Wicklow town approx 12 years ago and then, when she needed care, to Wicklow Hospital. Following the closing of Wicklow Hospital she moved to St Coleman's in Rathdrum where she was cared for until her death. Following a funeral service her mortal remains were laid to rest in Newcastle on 14th April. Alice is survived by her sons George and William.

Easter Vestry

The annual Easter Vestry for the parish of Newcastle & Newtownmountkennedy will take place on Tuesday 3rd May in the Parkview Hotel at 8 pm.

Coffee

Coffee in the cottage continues every Tuesday from 10.30 am – except Tuesday 10th when we will all be attending the coffee morning in aid of Fields of Life. (See the Notice Board)

Lunch

Lunch will be served in the cottage on Thursday 19th May. Everyone welcome from 1 pm. Please let Karen know if you hope to attend

Time Out

The last two sessions for this season will take place on Mondays 9th and 16th from 8 pm in the McLean Room behind St Matthews. Why not come along and get a taster for next season?

Flower Festival

Calling all flower arrangers. A Flower Festival is being planned to take place on 25th and 26th June in Newcastle Church. The theme will be 'Miracles and Parables' and as many flower arrangers as possible will be needed. The choir has agreed to give a short recital during the festival, there will be a parish barbecue on Saturday and the weekend will finish up with a Songs of Praise service on the Sunday evening.

Clubs and Organisations

Parent and Toddler Group

The 'Big Toddle' on 18th April went well. A good crowd made the long walk from Newcastle Playground to the cottage. Well done to everyone who took part.

Parents and Toddlers won't be meeting on Bank Holiday Monday 2nd May but will meet as normal at Rectory Cottage from 10.30 am on the other Mondays in May.

On 16th May Cherry Sleeman (who has worked extensively with families and children) will be coming to the cottage at 11 am to give a talk and answer questions.

Sunday School

We need new volunteers to teach at Sunday School. Can you spare an hour even one Sunday a month? It is so important to keep the Sunday School going, especially as the numbers of children attending have grown substantially – an important benefit for all the young families who have joined us. If you, or someone you know (such as a student needing work experience in ministry or youth work) can help out please contact the Rector or Mary O'Neill at 087-2200094. Next meeting Wednesday 4th May at 2.30 pm.

Youth Club

13th May Cinema Trip

27th May Beach party

Please note that Youth Club will finish up for the summer on 10th June.

Choir

After Easter the Choir will have a well deserved break. During Lent the Choir tackled some fairly demanding music and I'm sure you will agree that they rose to the occasion. Next term we will be rehearsing for the Feasts of Pentecost and The Holy Trinity, both in June, culminating with a Songs of Praise at the end of June, more about that next month. I would love to see some more new faces in all parts in the choir and also those choir members who couldn't sing during Lent to join us again. Do come along in May and enjoy a good sing.

Choir practices will start again on Monday May 16th in Newcastle Church at 8pm.

Andy Sleeman

Tuesday Club

The lunch held in aid of the Wicklow Hospice Foundation last month was fully booked and, judging by the noise level (and the clean plates), seems to have been a success. The total raised to date, including donations, was €80.00 which was very gratifying to the organisers. The only disappointed customer was the person who was warned that there would be a 'tight squeeze' and complained that he didn't get one!

Next month's meeting will be back in the McLean Room at 2.30pm on Tuesday, 10th May when we look forward to a visit from Sonia Applebe who will tell us about how she began importing pearls from Thailand, which should be most interesting.

Ann O'Neill

Table Tennis

Table tennis has finished for this season and will restart in the first week of September. All the players enjoyed it immensely and it is hoped that new people will join in the fun next season.

Calary Notices

Sunday School

There is Sunday School and Creche each Sunday, apart from those when there is Family Service or a special service.

Heritage Council Grant

The Heritage Council has approved a grant of €2,000 for Calary Church towards the preparation of a conservation plan. The plan, which will be completed by a conservation engineer, will allow the Select Vestry to manage the maintenance and upkeep of the church and grounds on a phased basis. It will also assist the Vestry in planning the finance required for any repairs.

Roundwood Historical Society

Professor Diarmuid Ferriter of University College Dublin will give a talk on Eamon De Valera at 8.30pm on Monday 23 May in Roundwood Parish Centre.

Calary Walk

Seven adults, one child and two dogs from Calary had a lovely walk to the top of Powerscourt Waterfall on Sunday 22nd March after church. The weather was brilliant – sunny and warm. Many thanks to Charlotte and Diarmuid O'Brien for providing lunch and hospitality at the end. It was a lovely day.

Easter Vestry

Rector's Church Warden - Marjorie Travers

Peoples' Church Warden: - Derek Neilson

Glebes Warden - Eve Holmes

Hon. Secretary - Ethni Seymour

Hon. Treasurer - Charlotte O'Brien

Claire Chambers Elizabeth Evans Stephen Gillis

Lastley Gray Elizabeth Keeley John Medlycott

Gay Nuttall June Roe Elizabeth Sutton

St Francis N. S.

St Francis N. S. reopens after the Easter break on Tuesday 3rd May.

Cake Sale

The Parents Association is holding a cake sale in aid of school funds on Friday 13th May from 1.30 pm in the school.

Pub Quiz

Come and enjoy one of Brian Harris' famous pub quizzes in The Castle Inn on Friday 27th May at 8 pm. € per person. All proceeds to the school.





Notice Board

Coffee Morning

A coffee morning in aid of Fields of Life will be held in Brian and Jean Harris' home on Tuesday 10th May from 10.30 am. Everyone welcome.

Help Wanted!

There are no volunteers on the cleaning rota or the flower arranging rota for July.

Feel free to sign up. All help greatly appreciated.

Found

Cream gilet with floral lining in the school hall. Probably left after table tennis match Newcastle v Calary.

Phone Heather Simpson at 087-9422172

Greystones Active Retirement

VIP Shopping Trip to Kildare Village.

Just a few places left. Wednesday, 11 May - coach leaving Greystones Park 'n Ride at 10-30am. Returning approx 5pm.

Fantastic, free, fun day out! Free transport. VIP 10% discount card. Hospitality lounge at our disposal.

To book your place, just phone either Tom McSherry on 2876878 or Kay Walsh on 2875672

Banqueting in Bunratty Castle

The Templegate Hotel Ennis Co Clare is the venue for this year's Spring break in Ireland. The date is Monday 23rd of May until Friday 27th May.. Coach tours each day and of course that sumptuous Banquet in Bunratty Castle! Ann Redmond is the coordinator, she will be available in St. Killians Hall on Tuesdays between 10.30 pm and 11.30 pm. or you can call her to book on 2873685

Children's Page

Our Rogation Service will be held on Sunday 29th May at 11 am in the grounds of Calary Church. At the Rogation Service we pray that God will bless our seeds, crops, gardens and animals. You can bring an animal to be blessed at the service if you'd like to, and if your parents say it's OK. We are lucky that God has given us such a beautiful world to live in and to enjoy.

All Things Bright And Beautiful Word Search

This is a bit of a challenge but get Mum and Dad to help!

B	E	A	U	T	I	F	U	L	B
R	L	I	P	S	H	D	N	I	W
I	C	K	U	W	E	I	D	O	I
G	R	N	D	P	A	G	N	M	S
H	N	C	O	L	D	D	I	G	E
T	A	I	E	T	E	S	N	U	S
H	H	M	N	R	D	G	B	W	F
E	O	O	F	R	R	R	L	E	R
M	E	U	C	E	O	Y	O	L	I
E	L	N	A	A	N	M	S	L	P
L	P	T	L	C	J	R	V	K	E
L	R	A	L	M	I	G	H	T	Y
A	U	I	S	V	O	A	N	D	E
M	P	N	E	D	A	M	B	T	S
S	E	R	U	T	A	E	R	C	A

ALL	THINGS	BRIGHT	BEAUTIFUL
CREATURES	GREAT	SMALL	WISE
WONDERFUL	LORD	GOD	MADE
THEM	PURPLE	HEADED	MOUNTAIN
RIVER	SUNSET	MORNING	SKY
EYES	LIPS	ALMIGHTY	WELL
AND	COLD	WIND	SUN
RIPE			

Try this word search. It is based on words from the hymn called 'All Things Bright and Beautiful' which was written by Cecil Frances Alexander, who was from Dublin and lived in the 1800's

Why didn't they play cards on the Ark?
Because Noah was standing on the deck!

Fun Bible Facts About Animals

Jonah was swallowed by a whale (Jonah 1:17)

Noah sent a raven to see if the floods had receded (Genesis 8: 7)

Samson fought a lion (Judges 14: 5-6)

Solomon said that ants and spiders were wise (Proverbs 30: 24-28)

The apostle Paul was bitten by a viper while lighting a fire on Melita (Acts 28: 3)

Competition

This month's competition is all about God's beautiful world. Draw a picture or take a photo of anything in nature that God has created. There are two prizes –so get busy! Don't forget to put your name and age on the back of your entry. Entries can be left at any of the churches by Sunday 22nd May. Winners will be announced in the next PINS.

SERVICES IN MAY

DATE	CHURCH	TIME	SERVICE	READING
Sunday 1 st				
SS	Calary	9.30	MP	Acts 2: 14, 22-32
	St Matthews	10.45	MP	1 Peter 1: 3-9
SS	Newcastle	12.00	HC	
			(Holy Baptism)	
Sunday 8 th				
SS	Calary	9.30	MP	Acts 2: 14, 36-41
	St Matthews	10.45	HC	1 Peter 1: 17-23
SS	Newcastle	12.00	MP	
Sunday 15 th				
	Calary	9.30	FS	Acts 2: 42-47
	Newcastle	12.00	FS	John 10: 1-10
	(With Rachel Wilson – nutritionist volunteering overseas)			
Sunday 22 nd				
SS	Calary	9.30	HC	Acts 7: 55-60
	St Matthews	10.45	FS	1 Peter 2: 2-10
SS	Newcastle	12.00	MP	
Sunday 29 th				
	Calary	11.00	ROGATION SERVICE	
			Acts 7: 22-31	
	(Bring picnic lunch. Drinks provided)			

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

Tea and coffee are served in the McLean Room after each service in St Matthew's.