

PARISH INFORMATION NEW SHEET
Parish of Newcastle and Newtownmountkennedy
with Galary

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information.pins@gmail.com

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www.newcastleparish.org www.newtownmountkennedyparish.org

From the Rector's Desk

Dear Parishioners,

As I sit and write these few thoughts, the feelings I have are of being overwhelmed. Life can change very quickly for any of us and those changes often help us to have a more realistic view about lots of things. The most striking reality for me has been the love and support received from my family, hundreds of parishioners, the local community and numerous people from far and near. I really do appreciate that great body of genuine support, care and love. I must mention the paramedics in the ambulance service, the nurses and all in the cardiac care unit at St. Vincent's Hospital; they were outstanding in their professionalism and care.

I literally have received hundreds of cards and messages of good-will which all meant a lot, but one card brought great assurance and re-affirmed one of the great truths for us in trusting God. Two hand painted shoes are on the front of the card and on it is written these, very true, words - *'If God sends us on stony places he provides strong shoes'*. The most important reality for me during some of those very uncertain days was a great sense of peace, whatever the outcome might be.. God really did provide the shoes, and His peace and assurance is something hard to describe.

I want to say a heartfelt thank you to all those who immediately stepped in to ensure that everything continued, as far as possible, in the three churches and parishes. Canon Fred Appelbe has not only assumed responsibility for the business of the parish as rural Dean, but has been a real pastor, source of strength and friend to me. He has been helped by the lay readers Caroline and Michael, by Rev John Marchant and by Canon John Clarke who is available to respond to emergencies or sick calls. Many other people have stepped up to the mark and deserve mention but in particular I pay tribute to Karen who is firmly in the driving seat of most of what happens in the Parish.

I am not sure yet how long it might be until I can resume normal duties but I can relax knowing that God makes no mistakes and you are all doing your best to ensure His work continues. I know that many of you have gifts and talents which I don't have and my hope and prayer is that this will be a time of real growth for many of us when we see those gifts used to God's Glory. If this happens we will all have learned and grown in ways we never expected.

With sincere thanks and genuine love,

William



Garden Open Morning

Thursday 31st May
From 10.30am

Ballydonarea House
Lott Lane, Kilcoole

Garden Visit

Coffee Morning

Bring and Buy
Plant and Cake Sale

In aid of parish funds



Diocesan Fun Day

Sunday 20th May
From 2pm
East Glendalough School

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Weddings

At St Matthew's Church:

Saturday 28th April at 1pm

Debbie Millington and Ronan Conway



At Newcastle Parish Church

Saturday 28th April at 3pm

Nicola Ann Crosse and William Robert Mosse

We congratulate each of these couples, and wish them every happiness in their life together.

Coffee in the Cottage

Drop in to Rectory Cottage any Tuesday from 10.30am for coffee/tea and a chat.



Lunch

The May lunch will be served in the cottage on Thursday 17th at 1pm. Cost is €7.50 per head. Don't forget to book your place with Karen at 087-2866889.

Cottage Outing



The cottage outing to see 'The King and I' in the Grand Canal Theatre (I refuse to call it by the new ridiculous name) with afternoon tea afterwards will take place on Wednesday 23rd May. All those booked in for the trip will be contacted with details of time and pick-up points.

Point of Contact

Should you have any queries, or need to contact someone on parish business or for pastoral care, Rectory Cottage will be open every Tuesday morning from 10am. Just drop in.

Sustentation Envelopes

Your sustentation envelopes for the second half of the year are enclosed. Please give what you can towards the running of our churches and provision of parish facilities.

Church Cottage

A huge amount of work has been done to upgrade Church Cottage, including installation of central heating, new windows and a new kitchen, plastering, painting, various repair works, garden renovations, and all new floor coverings and curtains. It is now a very attractive cottage and we welcome our new tenants, parishioners Lesley and Mark Cassidy with their two children, Lucy-Ann and Samuel. We hope they will be very happy in their new home.

Rogation Service

The Rogation Service will take place on Sunday 13th May in Newcastle at 11am. During the service, which takes place outdoors, we will pray for God's blessing on our crops, gardens and animals. Feel free to bring along your animals (under control—we don't want one pet eating another) and a picnic to eat afterwards. Tea, coffee and soft drinks will be provided.



Congratulations

Congratulations to two parishioners:-

Daniel Norse who has progressed from the Metro Rugby Squad to the Junior Leinster U17's, despite suffering from very serious glandular fever earlier in the year.

Ben Russell who won the Cuisine de France Count John McCormack €8,000 Vocal Bursary at the Electric Ireland Feis Ceoil.

A Little Nagging!

Recently there have been incidences where Rectory Cottage has been left in a fairly untidy state, and one incidence where an electric heater was left switched on for several days up against a sofa.. Please ensure that you leave the cottage as you found it. Thank you.

Summer Camp

30th July to 3rd August. 11am to 2.30pm. For ages 4 to 11 years.

Application forms for the above camp are enclosed with PINS. The fee is €25 per family (non-refundable) and must be returned with each form to any co-ordinators listed. Confirmation of place will be notified by email/text by 10th June. *Lorraine*

Clubs and Organisations

Time Out

Time Out will meet on the first Tuesday of the month during June, July and August. As usual, meet in Rectory Cottage at 8pm.

Many thanks to Michael Croly for putting together the very interesting programme based on the book of Daniel which was studied this session.

Bowls

The Bowls Club is now coming to the end of the 2011/2012 season.

Next Thursday, 3rd May, will be the final evening when the prizes for the club championships will be presented to Billy Codd, winner of the Men's competition, and Mavis Wayman who won the Ladies' cup (not much surprise there!) George Webster and Ann O'Neill were the runners-up and will be looking for blood next year!

The B team had the distinction of coming bottom of their section in the League but didn't feel disgraced and a lot of people made great strides in their skill and gave opposing teams a run for their money – somewhat to the surprise of teams who had played us at the start of the season when we were pretty dismal.

The placing for the 'A' teams in the League has not yet been announced but don't hold your breath as our team were seldom delighted with their results.

We would greatly appreciate more people coming forward to try their hand at the game next season. It is a great game for all ages and you'll make lots of new friends from other clubs when playing matches, so do come and give it a try when the Season begins again in September at 8pm. on a Thursday evening at St. Francis' school.

WE NEED NEW BLOOD!

Ann

Table Tennis

The table tennis club has closed for this season. We look forward to seeing everyone again in the autumn.

Sunday School

Check the list of services on the back page of PINS for Sunday School times.

Creche

Creche is held in Rectory Cottage for all pre-school age children during services at Newcastle

Parents and Toddlers

Congratulations from the Parent and Toddler Group to two of our Mums:- Jo Byrne on the birth of Timothy and Rachel Walker on the birth of Ralph.

No Parents and Toddlers on Bank Holiday Monday 7th May.

Youth Club

Look out for your text from Paul with details of youth club. If you are of secondary school age and would like to come to the club you can contact Paul at 085-7871541

Choir

On May 6th we will celebrate Holy Communion singing the Sanctus congregationally to the Argentinian melody in the hymn book (715) that we sang at the Confirmation Service.

On May 27th (Pentecost) we will sing the Shephard Communion Service, again congregationally, and the choir will sing the 13th Latin hymn *Veni Sancte Spiritus* in English - "Come Holy Spirit Come" to music by Samuel Webbe, the elder (c 1740-1816) and The Lord's Prayer by Sir John Taverner, commissioned by the Guildford Philharmonic for the Tallis Scholars and first performed in 1999 at Holy Trinity, Guildford.

The following Sunday, June 3rd, being Trinity Sunday, the choir will sing the Hymn to the Trinity by Tchaikovsky. *Andy*

CALARY NEWS

Music in Calary

The next concert of the 2012 programme takes place on Friday 8 June at 8pm, when Sacred Spaces: Sacred Sounds present a concert of Baroque Masterpieces by Vivaldi, Rameau and Carolan. The artists are Annette Cleary (cello), Rachel Factor (harpsichord) and Eamon Sweeney (baroque guitar). Tickets are €15 (€12 for concessions) and can be booked by emailing derekneilson@eircom.net or ringing John at (01) 2818146.

Roundwood Historical Society

Author and Labour Historian, Dr Conor McCabe will give a talk based on his book "Sins of the Father - The Decisions that shaped the Irish Economy" at 8.30 on Monday 28th May in Roundwood Old School.

Parish Supper

Calary are holding a Parish Supper in the Church Room, which will take place at 8pm on Friday 11 May, with entertainment by Serendipity ladies barbershop chorus. Tickets are €15 and can be booked with Ethni Seymour (2863890), Elizabeth Kiely (2818270) or Marjorie Travers (086 2742103).

After Service

We continue to meet and have tea, coffee and juice after Service each Sunday. It gives a great opportunity for a chat and to catch up with friends. Come and join us.

Sunday School

Sunday School is held for children of all ages in the Church Room every Sunday, except when there is a Family Service

Table Tennis

Table tennis has now finished for the season, but those who are really keen will be practising during the summer for next season !

SELECT VESTRIES

2012/2013

CALARY

Rector's Churchwarden: Derek Neilson

People's Churchwarden: Elizabeth Kiely

Glebewarden: Eve Holmes

Select Vestry

Charlotte O'Brien (Hon Treasurer)	Ethni Seymour (Hon Secretary)
Elizabeth Evans	Marjorie Travers
June Roe	Elizabeth Sutton
Gay Nuttall	Claire Chambers
John Medlycott	Stephen Gillis
Lastley Gray	

NEWCASTLE & NEWTOWNMOUNTKENNEDY

Rector's Churchwarden Newcastle: Ed Power

People's Churchwarden Newcastle: Karen Reynolds

Rector's Churchwarden St Matthew's: Richard Ntow

People's Churchwarden St Matthew's: Douglas Hatton

Rector's Glevewarden: James Norse

People's Glebewarden: Mervyn Garrett

Select Vestry

Margaret Murphy (Hon. Secretary)	Andy Sleeman (Hon. Treasurer)
Clodagh Jennings	Gillian O'Neill
Caroline Tindal	Erica White
Eddie Wheatley	Marjorie Stokes
Peter Johnston	Brian Smyth
Michael Pettigrew	Maurice Madden



NOTICE BOARD

International Food Fair

Newcastle Community Centre

Sunday 6th May

Tickets €20

Garden Visit

The beautiful garden at Wrenswood, Ashford will be open on Sunday 27th May from 2.30—5.30pm in aid of Dogs Trust.

Further details from 01-2819198

For Sale

Outback Gas Barbecue. Nearly new (used twice).

Proceeds of sale to parish funds.

Phone 2015022

Phones for Crumlin

Linda Shannon and Pamela Roe are organising a collection of old mobile phones, digital cameras, iPods and print cartridges to raise funds for Our Lady's Children's Hospital in Crumlin.

Collection boxes will be available in each of the churches.

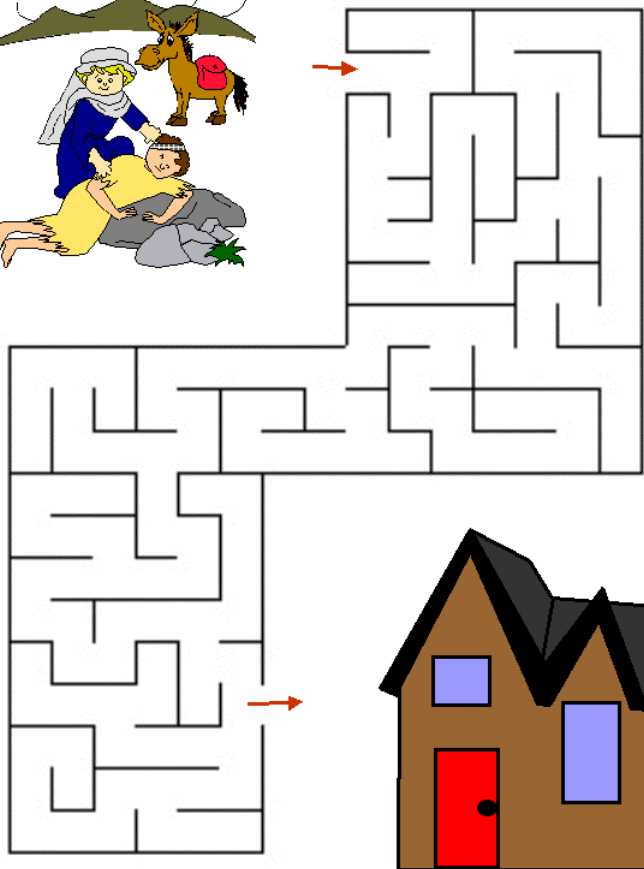
Mobile Phone Lessons for Adults

Volunteer organisers needed to help in local schools with this initiative, where transition year students tutor adults in the use of mobile phones. See www.volunteerwicklow.ie

Children's Page

Good Samaritan Maze

Help the Samaritan find shelter for the hurt man.



Why on Noah's ark couldn't they eat apples?
Because they only came in pears!

SERVICES IN MAY

DATE	CHURCH	TIME	SERVICE	READING
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Sunday 6th

SS	Calary	9.30	HC	Acts 8: 26-40
	St Matthews	10.45	HC	1 John 4: 7-21
SS	Newcastle	12.00	HC	John 15: 1-8

Rogation Sunday 13th

	Newcastle	11.00	MP	Acts 10: 44-48
			with baptism	John 15: 9-17

(Bring a picnic. Tea, coffee and soft drinks provided)

Sunday 20th

SS	Calary	9.30	MP	Exodus 28: 1-4,
	St Matthews	10.45	MP	9-10 & 29-30
SS	Newcastle	12.00	MP	John 5: 9-13
				John 17: 6-19

Pentecost Sunday 27th

SS	Calary	9.30	HC	Acts 2: 1-21
	St Matthews	10.45	HC	Romans 8: 22-27
	Newcastle	12.00	HC	John 15: 26-27 & 16: 4-15



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 and chat in the McLean Room.

All welcome!

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

For emergencies or sick calls
please phone **Canon John Clarke** at **086-2292404**