

#### PARISH INFORMATION NEWS SHEET

Parish of Newcastle and Newtownmountkennedy with Calary









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#### From the Rector

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

What a day we had in RTE for the recording of the service for 10th November. This was truly a wonderful experience for those involved and I hope all our parishioners will be proud of the 'team' that was fielded on the day!

The big disappointment for us all was that Sheila was unable to come. Having attended all the rehearsals, singing in the choir, and sharing the music with Charlotte, Sheila was taken to hospital with serious pneumonia on the day before the recording. Thank God she has made a wonderful recovery.

Our prayer is that the message through song, readings, prayer and spoken word will be a channel of blessing and inspiration to many who take the time to see the service on their TV's. Thanks to all who came and took part and those who helped organise the service, but special thanks to Joan and the Junior Choir for what I know will be a beautiful rendering of the hymn 'For the Beauty of the Earth'. It was lovely to have lots of young people in the congregation. I won't go on about the service but all can see it on 10th November on RTE 1 TV. More about this in this issue of PINS.

November is the month when we feel the business of the Christmas period beginning. This year is no exception; there will be lots happening for many people. Some of us will be off to Jordan and Israel from 18th to 28th and then it is into December. Confirmation this time is in January and it is beginning to dawn on me that my last official Sunday as Rector of these parishes is 23rd February.

Please remember in your prayers all our young people, but especially our seventeen confirmation candidates. It is one thing knowing about God but a completely different experience knowing God.

I feel strongly that we should all take time to reflect on our own relationship with God. It's very easy to go through the rites of our Church but miss out on the real experience these rites are pointing to. It's knowing God that makes our experience real and relevant.

Thought for the month: As believers we should give our children big truths they will grow into rather than light explanations they will grow out of.

God Bless, William

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10th Nov 2019 Viewing of RTE Recording

for all churches St Francis' NS

4th Dec 2019 Communion Lunch Calary

6th Dec 2019 Christmas Merriment Parish Centre

15th Dec 2019 Nativity Play Newcastle

20th Dec 2019 Candlelight Carol Service Calary

22nd Dec 2019 Carol Service Newcastle

26th Jan 2019 Confirmation Newcastle

#### **Gentle Reminder**

A gentle reminder to send your contribution to the running of the parish for the second half of the year. Anything you give is very much appreciated. If you can't remember if you have already given, contact Karen in the office who will check for you.

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

#### RTE RECORDING





### Remembrance Sunday

Sunday 10th November at 11am in St Francis' NS

Viewing, for all three churches, of the recently recorded RTE service featuring members of our combined parishes

Followed by Potluck Lunch in the Parish Centre

Bring food to share





St Francis' NS is taking applications for enrolment in September 2020 .

If you wish to enrol your child, please contact the school office

for an Intention to Apply form. 01 2819631

saintfrancisns@gmail.com

#### Lunch

The November lunch will take place on Thursday 15th November in the Parish Centre as usual. The cost is still €10 per head for a two course meal followed by tea/coffee.

#### Coffee

We continue to meet in the Sitting Room at the Parish Centre every Tuesday morning from 10.30am for tea/coffee, treats and chat.

Everyone welcome

#### Wedding at St Matthew's

26th October 2019
Jacqueline O'Toole and Lee Grear, Redondo
Beach, California. We wish Jacqueline and Lee
every happiness in their life together.



#### **Christmas Outing**



We're off on our annual Christmas outing in early December. Details to follow.

Surprises, food and fun!

Book your place on the bus with Karen

## Clubs and Organisations



Every Monday
7—8pm
Main Hall
at the Parish Centre



Fridays 7 to 8pm
in the Parish Centre.
The Club is open to everyone
in 4th, 5th and 6th classes.
Look out for texts.



There will be Sunday School on Sundays 3rd and 24th November during the morning service at Newcastle. All children of primary school age welcome. Time to prepare for the Nativity Service. Come along to Sunday School if you want to take part.



If you have scrap paper with at least one clear side, that you don't want - don't throw it away. The children in Castle Kidz can make good use of it for drawing, scribbling, etc.

Drop it in to Ruth or Joanne at Castle Kidz during term time.

#### **Time Out**



The prayer group continues to meet on the third Tuesday of the month at 8pm in the Parish Centre.

#### **Bowls Club**

The Bowls Club meets on Thursdays at 7.30pm in the Main Hall at the Parish Centre.



#### **Table Tennis**

This lively club meets every



Monday evening at 8pm in the Main Hall at the Parish Centre.

#### **Prayer Space**

Start the week with fifteen minutes of prayer, reflection and blessing. Prayer Space meets on Monday mornings during school term time at 9am in the Sitting Room at the Parish Centre. All very welcome.

#### **Parish Choir**

The Parish Choir is busy rehearsing for upcoming special services. Rehearsals are on Monday evenings from 8.15 to 9.15 pm in the Parish Centre. New members very welcome.

WSMD in association with the Parish of Newcastle & Newtownmountkennedy is delighted to present the Christmas Panto 'Treasure Island'. Two Matinee shows 11th and 12th January 2020 in Newcastle Parish Centre. Anyone interested in taking part in this very funny show, please give your name to Karen Reynolds. Scripts available and rehearsals starting very soon.



### St Francis' Parents Association Bingo Night

Friday 15th November
7—9pm
Newcastle Parish Centre
€5.00 per adult
All welcome!

### CALARY NEWS

#### **Remembrance Day Service**

Parishioners from Calary are delighted to be singing with those from Newcastle and Newtownmountkennedy in the choir for the Remembrance Day Service that will be broadcast on RTE1. The service will be broadcast at 11.10 am (or soon afterwards) on Sunday 10 November.

#### **Communion Lunch**

This year, the Christmas Communion followed by lunch in Calary Church is on Wednesday 4 December at 11:30 am and everyone is welcome to attend. Please contact Ethni (086 809 2211) or Charlotte (086 835 4394) to book a place for the lunch.

#### **Calary Candlelight Carol Service**

Calary's Candlelight Carol Service will take place on Friday 20 December at 7.30 pm, followed by mulled wine and mince pies in the Church Room. We would be delighted to welcome anyone who wishes to join us. The collection from the Carol Service will be going to Simon, which helps young people tackle homelessness, and Tiglin, which assists people to deal with different forms of addiction.

#### **Sunday School**

Sunday School in Calary takes place every Sunday in the Church Room, except when there is Family Service.



Supper before the concert for Sister Mary in October

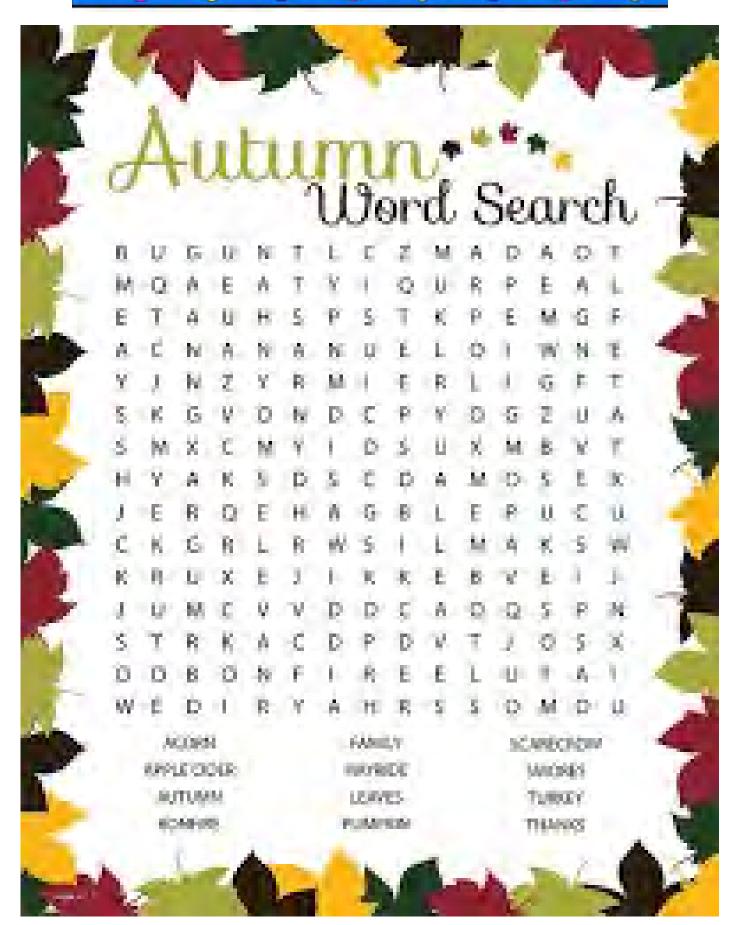


AT
THE PARISH CENTRE

FRIDAY 6TH DECEMBER
12–3PM

CAKES
DECORATIONS
PRESERVES
BOOKS
TOYS
SOUP & ROLLS
TEA/COFFEE/HOT CHOCOLATE
CHILDREN'S FUN

## Puzzle Corner





#### PHYSICAL ACTIVITY CLASS

#### For the older person



Newcastle Community Centre Starting Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October 14.00 to 15.30 hrs.

Each session will finish with a cup of tea and a chat (15.00 to 15.30 hrs.)

Improve your strength, balance, and coordination be exhilarated not exhausted

For further details contact:

Jane Smith: 086 0833604 Diana James: 086 8325711

# Activator Poles Walking Programme



**Activator Poles are use to:** 

- Improve posture and gait
- Enhance core and muscle strength
- · Reduce impact on joints and reduce falls

Where: Newcastle Community Centre

When: Monday 11th November @ 12pm -1pm

Duration: 6 weeks

For more information please contact Denise in Wicklow Local Sports Partnership on doshea@wicklowcoco.ie / 0404-20100





#### Parish Centre, Church Lane, Newcastle

Playschool
Open 9am to 12.30pm
5 days a week
Full-time and Part-time places
ECCE and non-ECCE

Afterschool
Open 1.20pm to 6.20pm
5 days a week
Full-time and Part-time
Very limited places available

For information and booking: Phone Karen at 087-2866889

## SERVICES IN NOVEMBER

DATE	CHURCH	TIME	?	SERVICE	READING
Sunday	Calary	9.30	WB	НС	Is. 1:10-18
3rd	St Matthew's	10.45	WB	НС	2 Thess. 1:1-4,
	Newcastle	12.00	WB	НС	11-12
Sunday 10th	St Francis' NS	11.00	WB	Viewing of RTE Service	
	Calary	9.30	CT	FS	Is. 65:17-25
Sunday 17th	St Matthew's	10.45	СТ	MP	2 Thess. 3:6-13
	Newcastle	12.00	WB	FS	Lk. 21:5-19
Sunday	Calary	9.30	CT	MP	Jer. 23:1-6
24th	St Matthew's	10.45	СТ	MP	Col. 1:11-20
	Newcastle	12.00	СТ	MP	Lk. 23:33-43



Holy Communion is celebrated every
Wednesday, with prayer for the sick,
at 10.30am in St Matthew's
Everyone is welcome to tea/coffee in the
McLean Room after all services at St Matthew's