

# PARISH INFORMATION NEWSP

## SHEET

### Parish of Newcastle and Newtownmountkennedy with Calary

September 2010

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Items need to be received by Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> September for publication on Sunday 26<sup>th</sup>

For further information visit: [www.newcastleparish.org](http://www.newcastleparish.org),  
[www.newtownmountkennedyparish.org](http://www.newtownmountkennedyparish.org) or [www.calaryparish.org](http://www.calaryparish.org)

**If you lose your copy of PINS remember that service times and events can be checked on the parish website on the 'Calendar of Events'.**

If you would like a lift to anything happening in the parish, please don't hesitate to contact us at the numbers above.



*Friend, there is a welcome in this church for thee,  
Come in and rest and think and kneel and pray.  
What men have built for God's glory see,  
Give thanks, and so in peace, go on thy way.*



# Services in September



DATE	CHURCH	TIME	SERVICE	READING
<b>Sunday 12<sup>th</sup>:</b>				
<i>S.S. &amp; Crèche</i>	Calary	9.30am	M.P.	1 Timothy 1: 12 - 17
	St. Matthew's	10.45am	M.P.	Luke 15: 1 - 10
<i>S.S. &amp; Crèche</i>	Newcastle	12 noon	H.C.	
<b>Sunday 19<sup>th</sup>:</b>				
<i>Crèche</i>	Calary	9.30am	F.S.	
	St. Matthew's	10.45am	M.P.	Luke 16: 1 - 13
	Newcastle	12 noon	F.S.	
<b>Sunday 26<sup>th</sup>:</b>				
<i>S.S. &amp; Crèche</i>	St. Matthew's	10.45am	F.S.	Luke 16: 19 - 31
	Newcastle	12 noon	M.P.	
	Calary	7.00pm	Healing Service	

## HARVEST SERVICES IN OCTOBER

<b>Friday 1<sup>st</sup>:</b>	Newcastle	8.00pm	Harvest Thanksgiving
<b>Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup>:</b>	Newcastle	11.00am	Harvest Thanksgiving
<b>Sunday 10<sup>th</sup>:</b>	Calary	3.00pm	Harvest Thanksgiving

M.P. (Morning Prayer)

H.C. (Holy Communion)

F.S. (Family Service)



**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 and chat in the McLean Room. All welcome!

Tea and coffee are available in the McLean Room after the service in St. Matthew's every Sunday.

**Please note times and dates of Harvest services**



In Newcastle the preacher on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> October will be the Rev. Bill Olmstead, well known to those who went on the last trip to Israel, and on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> Rev. Ian Cruikshank will return to preach once more. Will somebody please tell him we have a new carpet before he rides his motorbike up the aisle again!

**Newcastle and Newtownmountkennedy Select Vestry meeting on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> September at 8.00pm in the McLean Room, Newtownmountkennedy  
Calary Select Vestry meeting on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> at 8.30pm in the Church Room**

*From the Rector*

I suspect that most of us have all returned to more normal Autumn activities and holidays are in the distant past. I do hope you all have had a good summer and have found some time to step off the busy wheel of life as it is in 2010. Sincere thanks to all who pull their weight, and often more than their weight, week by week in God's service through our Parish.

I have enjoyed, and greatly appreciate, having the service and encouragement of our Lay Readers, Caroline, Stephen and Michael. Each of them takes ministry very seriously and their commitment and dedication to the great work they do is evident to all. My thanks to them for conducting worship, preaching and allowing me enjoy some time off Sunday duty over the past month.

The Cottage continues to be a lively place on Monday mornings when Wendy runs the P&T group, on Tuesdays when Clodagh, Karen and Ann provide a very worthwhile, relaxing and friendly morning for all who drop in for a cuppa and chat. Once a month the lunch they provide on a Thursday is like what one might expect in any top class hotel.

There was no break for members of the building committee as there were a number of meetings during the summer Mervyn has been in to Wicklow so often that his car can now almost get there by itself! Progress continues with the plans and we are now almost ready to look for prices from builders. We have been very blessed in having Peter Johnston who has always been available to use his professional knowledge and skill which he has given in abundance.

Lorraine leads our Sunday School in Newcastle and Derek leads in Calary. This is very important work and I fear many of us under-estimate the essential value of teaching our young people the message of scripture and helping them have an understanding of our faith. If you can help in this area we would love to hear from you as the more help there is the less weight falls on each volunteer. There are, of course, many more names I should mention but perhaps another time.

Please look at PINS and decide if you can be involved in any or many of the things mentioned or if you can lend a helping hand in any area.

May we know God's guidance and blessing as we endeavour to do His will in our Parishes.

William

### **Archbishops Certificate Course in Theology 2010-2012**

This two year course, to be held in the Chapter House, Christchurch Cathedral on Saturday mornings, starts again in October. Closing date for receipt of



applications is 30th September 2010. The course begins on Saturday 9th October 2010. Details can be found on the Diocesan website at [http://dublin.anglican.org/certificate\\_course.php](http://dublin.anglican.org/certificate_course.php). The course is for everyone who wants to deepen their faith and understand more about what we believe and why; how we should read and interpret the Bible and how to put our faith into practice in the 21st century so that it makes sense and is relevant. I completed the course a few years ago and found it very stimulating and thought provoking. I can thoroughly recommend it.

**Andy Sleeman**

## TIME OUT ON MONDAY NIGHTS

What does it mean to be a disciple of Jesus? This autumn, in Time Out, we will use a popular course called "Discipleship Explored" to look at how Paul answered that question. Time Out is an informal group that meets on Monday evenings from 8.00 - 9.30pm in the McLean Room for refreshments, a video and discussion. We start again on 27 September. Newcomers are especially welcome!



## TUESDAY CLUB

The Tuesday Club will re-convene in the McLean Room at 2.30pm on **Tuesday, 14th September** when we will have an interesting talk about the benefits of Osteopathy and Acupuncture from Victor Meganetty of Greystones.

We would hope to see many of our old friends and, maybe, some new ones too. If anyone in the Parish has recently retired or come to live among us they would be assured of a warm welcome (and a good tea!) the second Tuesday of every month.

## PARENT AND TODDLER GROUP



The Parent and Toddler group is back from Monday 6<sup>th</sup> September. The group meets in the Rectory Cottage from 10.30 to 12.30 every Monday morning and anyone with a baby or preschool child is welcome to come along for tea, chat, play and company. If you are a new parent or just moved to the area with small children we would love to meet you. Contact Wendy at 086 8478415.

## COFFEE IN THE COTTAGE

The Rectory Cottage will be open as usual every Tuesday in September from 10.30am for tea and coffee. Anyone who is free during this time is welcome to come along for a chat.

## LEISURELY LUNCH

For the September lunch on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> it is more important than usual to let Karen or Clodagh know if you intend to be there as we will not be in the cottage that day but are whisking the lunch crew away on an outing!

## BOWLING CLUB

The Bowling Club is playing again on Thursday evenings at 8pm in St. Francis' National School. New members welcome.

## TABLE TENNIS



It is proposed to start a table tennis club in the parish. Anyone interested in playing please contact the Rector on 087 9480317.

## Youth Group

An outing is being planned for the last two groups of confirmation candidates. This will possibly take place on 18<sup>th</sup> September but all concerned will be contacted by the rector. Following on from this it is hoped to set up a youth group for all you of secondary school age so feel free to come up with any ideas or suggestions as to what you would like it to involve. Email your ideas to [info@newcastleparish.org](mailto:info@newcastleparish.org) or text the rector at 087 9480317.



## MUSIC IN CALARY

On Friday 10 September, Calary is delighted to host a programme of music which will be played by Moya O'Grady (cello), David O'Doherty (violin) and Geraldine O'Doherty (harp).

The programme will include:

**Tartini:** Sonata in G minor 'Devils Trill' for Violin and Basso Continuo

**Handel:** Concerto in B flat major for Solo Harp

**Handel/Halvorsen:** Passacaglia in G minor for Violin and Cello

**Dussek:** Sonata in E flat major for Harp Violin and Cello



It will also include the music of Mendelssohn, Massenet, Kreisler and Piazzolla.

The concert will start at 8pm and tickets (cost - €15, or €10 for concessions) are available by ringing (01) 2818146.

As recent concerts in Calary have played to large audiences, it is recommended that you pre-book tickets, which will be held for you at the door and can be paid for on the evening of the concert.

## Car Boot Sale

A car boot sale in aid of Calary Parish will take place on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> September at Calary Church from 11.00am to 2.00pm. Cars €10 Vans €20. Donations of plants, country produce or jams would be appreciated as the Select Vestry is running a stall at the boot sale.

For more information phone 01 2863890 or 01 2866030.



## Triathlons and Marathons

Congratulations to Alex Gray for coming 9<sup>th</sup> out of a field of 200 in a Triathlon in Tramore. Congratulations also to Lastly Gray on successfully finishing his *first Triathlon!*

Lastly is running his *last marathon* in Berlin at the end of September. He is looking for sponsorship in aid of repairs to the windows in Calary Church. Details from Lastly at 01 2818209.



### Table Tennis

We are planning to start playing Table Tennis in Calary Church Room in the autumn. Please contact Derek at 01 2818118 or any member of the Select Vestry from more information.

Sustentation envelopes for Calary parishioners are enclosed with PINS. Please return by putting on the plate in church or posting to Lastly Gray whose address is on the envelope.



### **The Choir**

The Choir will start rehearsing for Harvest on **Monday September 6<sup>th</sup>** at 8pm in Newcastle Church. Andy would be delighted to see some new faces particularly basses or tenors.

### **Parish Play**

After consulting with various people, it seems the best time to perform the next parish play is February next (this is dependent on whether this suits the school of course, the date could change). So if you would like to take part in a Wild West comedy in the New Year please let Karen Reynolds know. We have parts of all sizes and it is planned to start rehearsals in November.



### **St. Francis' National School Parents' Association**

The sponsored walk will take place on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> September in Glendalough. Please note that this year it will start at 2.00pm to allow for those who have other activities in the morning. This walk is usually great fun and enjoyed by all who take part but it is also an important part of the school fund raising activities and we would encourage everyone to raise as much sponsorship money as possible.

### **Fields of Life Award**

Congratulations to Trevor Stevenson who recently received the African MDG Achievers International Award in recognition of the work of Fields of Life in Africa. He was one of 11 individuals selected from 230 nominations.

Fields of Life began with an agricultural project in Uganda in 1995. The work has developed and expanded into the Congo, Kenya, Rwanda and Burundi not only in agriculture but education, health, water and micro enterprise projects. The 100<sup>th</sup> school was built this year with over 40,000 children gaining an education. Water drilling has helped over 70,000 people gain access to safe, clean water. Micro enterprise projects have helped over 2,400 families out of the poverty trap.

### **Fields of life**

Some of you may be aware that Grace Namugga and Baker Bukenya have left the Education Sponsorship Scheme at the end of the school year. Both of them appreciate the opportunity offered by Newcastle Parishioners which has made a big difference in their lives. We wish them well in their future endeavours.

Fields of Life are delighted to introduce us to our new Sponsor Children – Lydia Twine and Joshua Aijuka, attending the Faith Home of Champions Primary School. Lydia is 6 years old, living with her parents in a village called Kisiita. Joshua is 4 years old and lives with his mother in Nyakafunjo. Photos and further information on these two beautiful children will be at the back of the church shortly.

If you are interested in child sponsorship either through the Parish or directly, please contact me at 086 344 9043 or Rev. William Bennett at 2819300. There is always a collection box at the back of the church for your loose change – every cent counts!

**Brian Harris**

### **SHOEBOX LUNCH**

Grace Norse will be hosting her annual Shoebox lunch in aid of the Operation Christmas Child appeal on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> September. Please phone Grace at 01 2819134 to book your place.



### **Parish Barbecue**

A great night was had by everyone who attended the parish barbecue at Rectory Cottage on July 31<sup>st</sup>. The food was delicious, the company good, and the weather behaved itself – except for one shower which came down as soon as ‘Here Comes Summer’ came over the sound system! It seems that there are more dancers than we knew in the parish. You know who you are! Many thanks to all who brought salads and desserts. Special thanks to Ed, James, Gerry and William who helped set up and take down. Very special thanks to Carol who helped with the catering. A total of €795 was raised for parish funds.

### **Pakistan emergency - Christian Aid/Bishops' Appeal**

On Sunday September 5<sup>th</sup> we welcome Mr Reuben Coulter of Tear Fund Ireland to a united service in Newcastle. His visit is particularly timely in view of the ongoing devastation in Pakistan. Tear Fund, through its partners, is able to respond rapidly with emergency relief for this and other catastrophes such as the Haiti earthquake earlier in the year. However do not worry if you miss this service as enclosed with this month's PINS for Newcastle and Newtownmountkennedy parishioners are envelopes for the Bishops' Appeal which also responds through local agencies to emergencies and disasters. When returning your envelope you can specify on the envelope if you wish a portion to be specifically for Pakistan.

The Bishops' Appeal uses the resources it receives from parishioners countrywide to help relieve suffering around the world in many ways. In 2009 the Appeal paid out approximately €10,000. This was distributed mainly to rural development and sustainable agriculture projects (€87,000); disaster and emergency relief projects (€6,000); education (€139,000); and health - including HIV/AIDS programmes (€197,000). (For more information see [www.ireland.anglican.org](http://www.ireland.anglican.org) and follow the link)

This year over €237,000 was donated in respect of the Haiti earthquake disaster appeal. Also this year, recognizing that about 1.4 million children die every year (1 every 20 seconds) from diseases linked to unsafe water and poor sanitation, the Bishops Appeal has

decided to donate one third of non-designated income to water resource projects. One of its chosen partners for this project is Fields of Life.

Please support this worthy cause as generously as possible in the Bishops' Appeal envelope either placing it on the plate any Sunday up to September 26th or returning it to Michael Pettigrew, 9 Hunters Leap, Newcastle, Co Wicklow.

Note: Contributions can be included in the tax refund scheme if you write your weekly envelope number or name and address on the Appeal envelope or on a slip of paper inside



  
  
  
  
  
  
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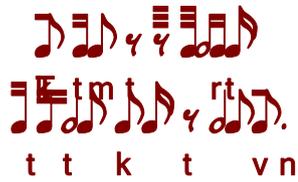


  
  
  
  
  
  
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**Do please take the time to share in any of the parish activities listed below.  
Days for the Youth Group and Table Tennis have not yet been decided.**

	<b>Monday</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Sunday</b>
<b>Every Week</b>	<b>Parent and Toddler</b>	<b>Coffee in The Cottage</b>	<b>Holy Communion</b>	<b>Bowling Club</b>	<b>(Youth Group??)</b>		<b>Church Services</b>
	<b>Time Out</b>		<b>(Table Tennis??)</b>				<b>Sunday School</b>
	<b>Choir Practise</b>						<b>Crèche</b>
<b>Once a month</b>		<b>Tuesday Club</b>		<b>Lunch</b>			

**Volunteers are needed for Sunday School in Newcastle and the Rector would love to hear from you if you could help with this or any of the other activities.**