



PARISH INFORMATION NEWS SHEET

Parish of Newcastle and Newtownmountkennedy with Calary

**SEPTEMBER
2013**



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From the Rector's Desk

Dear Parishioners,

Where has it gone to? Many of us will have lost count of the number of times we have heard that remark as the summer months, once again, fade into the background! I do hope you have had some time to relax and enjoy the kind of summer we usually only dream of. But now for many of us it is back to the busy gearing up for school, college or the usual getting them out in the morning and being a shuttle service to this and that. The joys of parenthood seem to get more hectic each year.

I hope that for all who have finished school you have been pleased with results and find a very suitable 'next stage' for your education and/or career. Always good to remember that exam results may be important but they do not determine what kind of person you are. Results may have an important bearing on what you decide on as a career or for further study, but, you as a person are far more important than any exam result. A meaningful life is more about what we can give to society than what we can do. Remember the great parable Jesus told about the widow who had few abilities but gave what she had, a small mite, and she was highly commended by Jesus!

Please note new arrangement for Sunday worship. We will be introducing an evening service in Newtownmountkennedy on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month. The services will commence at 6.30pm. and will be on a trial period until next Easter. On other Sundays, services there will be at the usual time of 10.45am. Details will always be on PINS and can be accessed on the parish website. This new arrangement will allow opportunity for Sunday worship for those who find it difficult to attend in the morning and will also help relieve some pressure on those conducting worship. The time between morning services at Calary and Newtownmountkennedy is very limited and, apart from the fact that it is very stressful on a rushed preacher, it poses real dangers, especially in the winter months, rushing down narrow and often icy roads.

Confirmation Classes will soon begin in the parish. If you are considering confirmation do let me know as soon as possible. Registering for and attending classes does not mean you must, or will be, confirmed, the final decision will only be made near the time of confirmation. This is a very important stage in a person's spiritual journey and if taken seriously means a sincere commitment to God and his Church. It is vitally important that those wishing to be confirmed attend the classes.

Work on the new Parish Centre is now well under way. Most of the heavy excavating work has been done, foundations are all down and the block work is progressing very favourably. The weather has been ideal for this stage of the work and has meant that even if rain comes now the builders are almost past the soil shifting stage and are on dry footing.

Sale has been agreed for the fourth and final site on the Glebe Land. and we expect that final permission will soon be granted to the parish by Wicklow County Council for the access roadway, enabling the purchasers progress to applying for planning permission for their individual houses.

This has been a massive task undertaken by the Select Vestry, the Building Committee and especially the chairman of that committee Mervyn Garrett. We can thank God for all involved and pray that there will not be many unforeseen difficulties at this final stage. We would hope that we will be celebrating the opening of the centre about Easter time next year.

Finally it is getting close to our Harvest Thanksgiving services. Details in next issue of PINS but do take note that Newcastle will be on Friday Oct.4th and Sunday 6th and Calary on Sunday 13th.

With every good wish,

William

Lunch at the Cottage

This month's lunch will take place on Thursday 19th September. Sherry from 12.45pm as usual. Lunch at 1pm. Cost €10. All welcome but please book ahead with Karen 087-2866889.

Coffee in the Cottage

Drop in for coffee or tea any Tuesday from 10.30am in Rectory Cottage. Everyone is welcome for a chat and a catch-up on happenings in the parish.

Smiley Homes Coffee Morning

A coffee morning will be held in the cottage on Tuesday 3rd September at 10.30am in aid of Smiley Homes. Hope to see as many of you as possible for this very worthwhile cause. Information from Pauline at 087-9535981 or Grace at 087-2706391

Coffee Morning at Karma

Thank you to everyone who supported the coffee morning in aid of floral supplies for our two churches. There was a great turnout in 'Karma', Anne and Mervyn Garrett's home and a total of €450 was raised. Many thanks to Anne who organised the event. A shopping spree in the floral wholesalers is next on the agenda.

Parish of Newcastle & Newtownmountkennedy Select Vestry

**Next Meeting
Thursday 5th September
At 8pm in the McLean Room**

Holy Baptisms at Newcastle

14th July 2013, William James, son of Andrew and Julie Leeson, Beechmount, Newcastle.

6 August 2013, Matilda Alice, daughter of Gareth and Emma Wall, Narnia, Lough Dan Road, Roundwood.

We pray that William and Matilda will grow up to honour the promises made for them at baptism and bring lots of fun to their families.

Shoe Box Lunch

The famous (or is that infamous?) Shoe Box Lunch will take place on Thursday 12th September in Grace Norse's home at Kilmartin, New Line, Newcastle. Enjoy a delicious lunch while supporting a worthy cause.

Information from Grace Norse at 087-2706491.

Breakfast in the Cottage

Pop in to the cottage for breakfast from 8.40am on the morning of school assembly in the church.

Junior Choir

It is planned to start a junior parish choir to sing at major festivals and some family services. As yet there is no firm date and time for rehearsals but parents will be notified through the school and parish email when these details are confirmed.

Car Treasure Hunt And Barbecue

We were blessed with good weather for the car treasure hunt and barbecue on Saturday 10th August. The participants in the treasure hunt did very well answering a range of cryptic clues on the route, collecting a strange variety of items, and producing the required photos. Funnily enough there seems to be a strong

reluctance to produce said photos for PINS! Winners were the Motley Crew Team, the Power/Carroll team, and the Kissane Team. It was great to see the teams plus an extra crowd at the barbecue later.

Thanks to everyone who helped out organising, setting up, bringing food, clearing up, etc.



Good Sports

Please send any items for inclusion in October PINS to:
information.pins@gmail.com

Items must be received by MONDAY 23rd Sept. for publication

Clubs and Organisations

Bowls

The Bowls Club will recommence on Thursday, 5th September at 8pm. in St. Francis' school.

Several people have expressed interest in joining the Club this season and we would be delighted if they would come along and give bowls a try.

We meet every Thursday evening during the season which runs until May. No experience necessary as instruction will be given but we are a happy bunch and enjoy the sport.

Table Tennis

The table tennis club continued to play over the summer in St Francis' School Hall making use of two recently acquired new tables. The parish hosted St Patrick's club in a friendly and there were about 20 playing. It was a very successful evening with great play, good fun and a lovely supper.

The winter season begins on the first Monday in September in the McLean Room at 8.30pm. New members very welcome.

Information from Heather at 087-9422172

Junior Table Tennis

Junior Table Tennis started over the summer months and was very

popular. It is planned to continue during the winter season on a Monday evening from 7.30—8.30pm in the McLean Room. New members very welcome.

Choir

Choir Practices will recommence on **Monday September 2nd** at 8pm in Newcastle Church. I look forward to seeing you all back ready to rehearse for Harvest on Sunday October 6th. New voices in all parts would be very welcome, so if you enjoy a good sing please come along. As usual we will be learning some new music as well as singing some of the favourite music in our repertoire this term.

Andy Sleeman

Drama Group

It's planned to stage a play on 1st and 2nd November this year. The first read-through of the script will be on Sunday 1st September at 3pm in the cottage.

Bible Book Club

The Biblica reading course will commence in September, meeting on the second and fourth Tuesdays in the month at 8pm in Rectory cottage. See centre pages for more details.

Parents and Toddlers

Everyone with a baby or toddler is welcome to drop in to Rectory Cottage on a Monday morning from 10.30am for chat, tea/coffee and a play. Back to regular meetings on 2nd September

Creche

The crèche is available in Rectory Cottage during all morning services in Newcastle Church. All pre-schoolers are welcome and parents can stay with their child or pop over during the service if they wish. Two volunteer parents supervise each week. New parent volunteers always welcome.

Sunday School

Sunday school will be starting again for all school going children on 8th Sept.

Consent forms must be completed by parent / guardian for each child. These will be available for completion in the school hall upon collection of your child / children.

For safety reasons **all** children must be collected at the school door after Sunday school.

If someone other than you is collecting your child / children on a given Sunday, please let one of the leaders know in advance.

Looking forward to seeing you all on the 8th! *Karen K*

Youth Club

Leaders:

Paul McAndrew

Ruth O'Toole

Andrew Johnston

Friday 6th September

Friday 20th September

8pm in Rectory Cottage



BIBLE

Would you like like a challenge? Ever thought you'd like to read the bible but found the idea a bit daunting?

Why not join a book club with a a difference? The Bible Book Club is for everyone,

whether you've only ever heard readings in church, or you're someone who has read every word several times. Read the New Testament in a new format (book supplied) in a friendly relaxed atmosphere. No lectures. Interesting discussions.

Everyone's views and impressions welcome. First Meeting at Rectory Cottage on Tuesday 10th September at 8pm. Continuing on the second and fourth Tuesdays each month.

CALARY NEWS

Creche and Sunday School

Sunday School continues every Sunday in the Church Room, apart from when there is Family Service

Art Exhibition

The biennial Calary Art Exhibition will open at 7.30pm on Friday 11th October and, that evening, there will also be entertainment by traditional musicians. The exhibition will continue on Saturday 12th between 11 am and 5pm and on Sunday 13th between noon and 2.30pm. Come along and view the paintings by local artists, which will also be available for sale.

On Saturday 12th, there will also be a sale of plants and country produce for parish funds.

Graveyard Clean up

A special thanks to everyone who helped with the clean up of the graveyard and to those who pruned the dense undergrowth. Some very positive comments were received during Heritage Week on how well the graveyard looks..

Harvest Thanksgiving Service

Calary's Harvest Thanksgiving Service will take place at 3pm on Sunday 13th October, followed by a

harvest tea, to which all of our friends, neighbours and visitors are invited.

Driving Lessons

We have an offer of a voucher for 6 driving lessons, which was a prize at the Fair in Newcastle. This is a great prize for any parent wishing to give one of their children a present, If anyone would like this prize, please contact Dorinda on 086 6085407

Parish Barbeque

A big thank you to everyone who supported this really enjoyable event and also to the Roe family for hosting it. The plant sale for Fields of Life raised €300.

Table Tennis

This will be starting again at 8pm on Thursday 19th September in the Church Room. Anyone who would like to try it out, please come along.

Habitat for Humanity

Eimear O'Brien will give a talk on her trip to Romania with her school for Habitat for Humanity at Morning Prayer in Calary Church on 15th September.

WHAT'S ON

NAME	CONTACT	TIME
Sunday School	Karen Kissane 087-2709759	Service am. Newcastle St Francis School
Creche	Julie Bond 087-2378613	Service am. Newcastle Rectory Cottage
Parents and Toddlers	Wendy Lundy 086-8478415	Monday from 10.30am Rectory Cottage
Youth Club	Paul McAndrew 085-7871541	1st & 3rd Fridays 8pm Rectory Cottage
Parish Choir	Andy Sleeman 086-1591873	Practice Monday 8pm Newcastle Church
Time Out	William Bennett 0879480317	1st and 3rd Tuesdays 8pm Rectory Cottage
Bible Book Club	Karen Reynolds 087-2866889	2nd and 4th Tuesdays 8pm Rectory Cottage
Junior Table Tennis	Linda Shannon 086-3698485	Monday 7.30-8.30pm McLean Room
Senior Table Tennis	Heather Simpson 087-9422172	Monday 8.30pm McLean Room
Bowls	Evelyn Sutton 087-2363990	Thursday 8pm St Francis School
Drama Group	Karen Reynolds 087-2866889	Sunday 3pm St Francis School
Coffee at The Cottage	Karen Reynolds 087-2866889	Tuesday from 10.30am Rectory Cottage
Lunch at The Cottage	Karen Reynolds 087-2866889	3rd Thursday 12.45pm Rectory Cottage
Breakfast at The Cottage	Gillian O'Neill 086-8586629	School Assembly 8.45am Rectory Cottage
Calary Sunday School	Derek Neilson 086-8319457	During Morning Service at Calary
Calary Table Tennis	Ethni Seymour 086-8092211	Thursday 8pm Church Room



CALARY ART EXHIBITION &
HARVEST THANKSGIVING

11TH-13TH OCTOBER 2013

EXHIBITION OPENS

FRIDAY 11TH OCTOBER @ 7:30PM,
WITH TRADITIONAL MUSICIANS

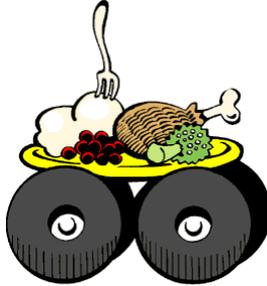
EXHIBITION CONTINUES

SATURDAY 11-6
AND SUNDAY 12-2:30

HARVEST THANKSGIVING SERVICE
AT 3:00 ON SUNDAY TO WHICH
EVERYONE IS WELCOME.

COUNTRY PRODUCE WILL BE ON SALE TO
RAISE FUNDS FOR FIELDS OF LIFE

NEWCASTLE MEALS ON WHEELS



**We are currently looking for volunteers
who could devote an hour a month
to delivering meals in the area.**

**If you feel that you could help out
please contact Irene Carey at 087-7757554**



Table Quiz

Thursday 19th September 2013

Byrnes pub, Kilcoole

Table of four: 20 euro

8.30p.m

All proceeds go to Wicklow Dementia Support

089 4286928 or Wicklows@gmail.com

Raffle on the night!

CHURCH OF IRELAND CODE OF GOOD PRACTICE

MINISTRY WITH CHILDREN

**Parish of Newcastle and Newtownmountkennedy
with Calary
Health and Safety Statement**

**IT IS THE POLICY OF THE CHURCH OF IRELAND TO
SET STANDARDS FOR THE WELFARE OF ALL CHILDREN
SHARING IN ITS MINISTRY WITH A VIEW TO
PROTECTING THEM FROM PHYSICAL, SEXUAL
AND EMOTIONAL HARM**

**In accordance with the recommendations in
“Safeguarding Trust – the Church of Ireland
Code of Good Practice for Ministry with Children”,
the current panel members in this parish are:**

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| 1. Rev. William Bennett | Tel. 087 9480317 |
| 2. Ms. Lynne Murphy | Tel. 087 2220711 |
| 3. Mr. Ian Fleming | Tel. 087 9701173 |
| 4. Ms. Elizabeth Keeley | Tel. 2818270 |

Children's Page

All These Things

by Belinda van Rensburg

Jesus cares for you and me
For all the fishes in the sea
For crawling snakes and birds that fly
Upon the earth and in the sky.

Little bugs that buzz and hop
Horses galloping clip clop
Ponies prancing; dolphins dancing
Love birds kissing and romancing.

Sharp-eyed eagles that can soar
Mighty ocean waves that roar
Bleating lambs and chimps that swing
Refreshing showers in the Spring.

All these things and so much more
Jesus Christ loves and adores
He made each thing and everyone
Who lives under the smiling sun.

SERVICES IN SEPTEMBER

DATE	CHURCH	TIME	?	SERVICE	READING
Sunday 1 st	Calary SS	9.30	WB	HC	<i>Prov. 25:6-7</i>
	Newcastle	12.00	WB	HC	
Trinity 14	St Matthew's	18.30	WB	EP	<i>Heb. 13:1-8 & 15-16</i>
Sunday 8 th	Calary SS	9.30	CT	MP	<i>Jer. 18:1-11</i>
	St Matthew's	10.45	WB	HC	
Trinity 15	Newcastle SS	12.00	WB	MP	<i>Philemon 1-21</i>
Sunday 15 th	Calary SS	9.30	WB + E O'B	MP	<i>Luke 15:1-10</i>
	Newcastle	12.00	WB	FS + Baptism	
Trinity 16	St Matthew's	18.30	WB	EP	
Sunday 22 nd	Calary	9.30	WB	FS + Baptism	<i>Jer. 8:18 - 9:1</i>
	St Matthew's	10.45	CT	MP	
Trinity 17	Newcastle SS	12.00	CT	MP	<i>1 Tim. 2:1-7</i>
Sunday 29 th	Calary SS	9.30	MC	MP	<i>Ex. 17:1-7</i>
	St Matthew's	10.45	MC	MP	
Trinity 18	Newcastle SS	12.00	MC	MP	<i>Matt. 21:23-32</i>



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!