



PARISH INFORMATION NEWS SHEET
**Parish of Newcastle and Newtownmountkennedy
with Calary**

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From the Rector:

It's hard to believe that, as I write these notes, Autumn is here! I hope you all had a lovely summer!

It was a busy July and August in our parishes!

On Sunday 7th July, we enjoyed learning about foraging and how to make lip balms and salves! A huge thank you to Laura Holly and to Caroline Tindal for organising it and allowing us to use her beautiful garden.

Calary's summer BBQ on July 14th was a slightly wet but very enjoyable afternoon. Our sincere thanks to Charlotte and Diarmuid O'Brien for hosting us again!

On Saturday 27th July renowned singer and West End star Chris Holland was in concert in Newcastle Parish Centre, where he sang songs from the musicals and much more! It was a brilliant night! Sincere thanks to Chris who was, as always, phenomenal! Everyone had a wonderful time! Huge thanks to Caroline and Joanna, who organised the concert and raffle! Many thanks to everyone who cleaned and set up the room and to those who helped on the night, to Peter and Fergal on lights & sound. Huge thanks to all those who helped clean up afterwards, it's much appreciated. And last but not least, a massive thank you to all who came and enjoyed the concert with us!

On Sunday 28th July we held a united service and picnic in Calary. A huge thank you to Sheila for leading our hymns, to our readers Ethni and Muriel, to Paul Delamere, and to those who joined us!

As a community we were all shocked at the news of the sudden death of Garth Collier. We extend our deepest sympathies to Phyllida, Warren, Georgina and all Garth's family and friends. We keep them all in our prayers. A service of thanksgiving for Garth's life was held in Newcastle Church on Thursday 4th July.

On Saturday 20th July, in Calary Church, friends and family gathered for the baptism of Kaleb Carstairs. We wish Kaleb and his family every blessing as he begins his journey of faith..

The students and teachers of St. Francis' National School were back on Thursday 22nd August. I would like to wish them, and all students and teachers returning to school, every blessing in their new term, especially those who have started in new schools!

We are delighted that the pupils of CastleKidz are back and we welcome new pupils and two new staff members, Neasa and Mia.

A massive thank you to everyone who came and supported our Summer Festival on 31st August. I hope everyone enjoyed it! A huge thank you to everyone who did so much to set up, run stalls, tidy up, donate goods, and gave so generously of their time! Thank you to Karen for coordinating. Everyones hard work is very much appreciated!! It was a fun day and the weather was amazing!

Just over a year ago fundraising began to build a playground in St. Francis' National school, dedicated to the loving memory of Will Leeson Thanks to the vision and hard work of Andrew and Julie, Will's parents and the amazing generosity of the whole community, Will's Playground was officially opened on Saturday 31st August, at our Summer Festival.

A new music festival is starting in Newcastle, called the Castle Music Festival, and Newcastle Church is going to be one of the venues. The festival runs from the 13th to the 15th September. Acts performing include Mary Coughlan, Maria Doyle Kennedy and Paul Noonan. All proceeds are in aid of building a new sensory playground in the village. Please check out our FaceBook and Instagram pages for further details.

Works to replace the windows in Calary are continuing, with the news ones will be going in over the next week or so!

On Friday 27th September, at 7.30pm, we will have our Harvest Festival, as we gather to give thanks for the gift of Creation. This year is a special year, as the 27th September marks the 10th anniversary of the opening of the Parish Centre. Our preacher will be the Archbishop of Dublin and Bishop of Glendalough, the Most Reverend Michael Jackson and the Archbishop will rededicate and bless our Parish Centre for the next ten years! Refreshments will be served afterwards in the parish centre. Please do join us if you can!

On Saturday 28th September, at 1pm, there will be a colour run in aid of St. Francis National School and to support youth activities in the parish. Details and registration information available on our Facebook, Instagram and WhatsApp. It sounds like it's going to be great fun!

On Sunday 29th September, at the earlier time of 11am, we will have a joint Harvest Festival with the blessing of animals! This gives us a chance to give thanks for all the animals that bring us such love and support and for all the animals that do so much for us. That includes animals real and toy. Teddy bears can come too!

As things return to normal after the summer months, and life becomes hectic again, may I wish you and your families every blessing.

"Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up." – Galatians 6:9

God bless,
Ross

United Harvest service with blessing of the animals

Sunday 29th Sept.
Newcastle Church at
11am

All pets big and small are
invited to bring their well
behaved owners!





United THANKSGIVING HARVEST FESTIVAL

Friday 27th September 2024

Newcastle Church
7:30pm

We will be joined by the Archbishop
of Dublin and Glendalough



Followed by Harvest Supper and Celebration of the
10th anniversary of the opening of the Parish Centre.
All are warmly welcome!

LIMITED PLACES!

Newcastle Colour Run 2024

**In aid of St. Francis National
School & Newcastle Parish**

**Saturday 28th September 2024
Leamore Lane, Newcastle,
Co. Wicklow
1pm**

REGISTER NOW

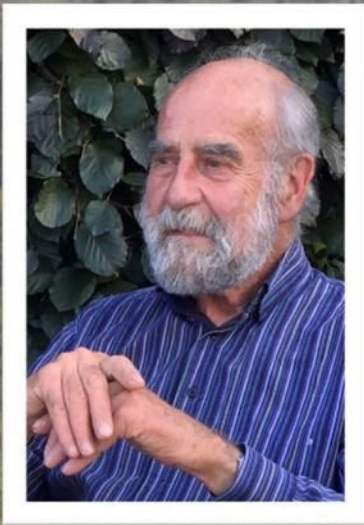
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eventbrite.ie 'Newcastle Colourrun'

Music in Calary

Summer 2024



John Medlycott Memorial Concert

Performers

Mia Cooper – Violin

Beth McNinch – Viola

Annette Cleary – Cello

Aisling Ennis – Harp

Rachel Factor – Keyboard

Eamon Sweeney – Early Guitars/Lute

13th September 2024 | Calary Church | Co. Wicklow



THE CASTLE MUSIC FESTIVAL

September 13th - 15th, 2024

Featuring

Mary Coughlan

Paul Noonan

Save the date and join us at

The Castle Music Festival in Newcastle Village.

**The Festival runs from Friday 13th to Sunday 15th September
and the line up includes renowned musicians
Mary Coughlan and Paul Noonan (Bell XI).**

**Mary Coughlan September 14th at The Wicklow Wolf Brewery
Support at 3pm, Mary Coughlan 4pm**

Paul Noonan September 13th at 8pm Newcastle Church

Tickets from:

<https://www.eventcreate.com/e/thecastlemusicfestival>

Music in Calary

presents

Catriona McElhinney Grimes

in concert at Calary Church

on Culture Night

Friday 20th September at 8pm

Catriona will take us through a journey of Irish music, and then a multi-cultural theme of Irish/English, German, French and Italian composers. This will be a fantastic event and one not to be missed.

As this concert is part of Culture Night entry is free and we would like to thank Wickow County Council's Arts Office for funding this event.

We look forward to welcoming you to Calary. If you are thinking of attending please let Charlotte know at 086 8354394



RECTOR'S *Breakfast*



Tuesdays, from 8:45

During Termtime

in the Parish Centre

All very welcome!

As you know, you can
contact me by phone
or e-mail at any time
and we can meet
anywhere for a chat or
prayer but also I am in
my office at the parish
centre each Tuesday
morning, please feel
free to drop in and
say hello!
Ross



*Pop Up
Tearoom*

Parish Centre

Friday mornings

10.30 am to 12.30 pm

Everyone very welcome!

Newcastle Bridge Club

New season starts

Tuesday 3rd September

in The Castle Inn

New members welcome

or play as a guest.

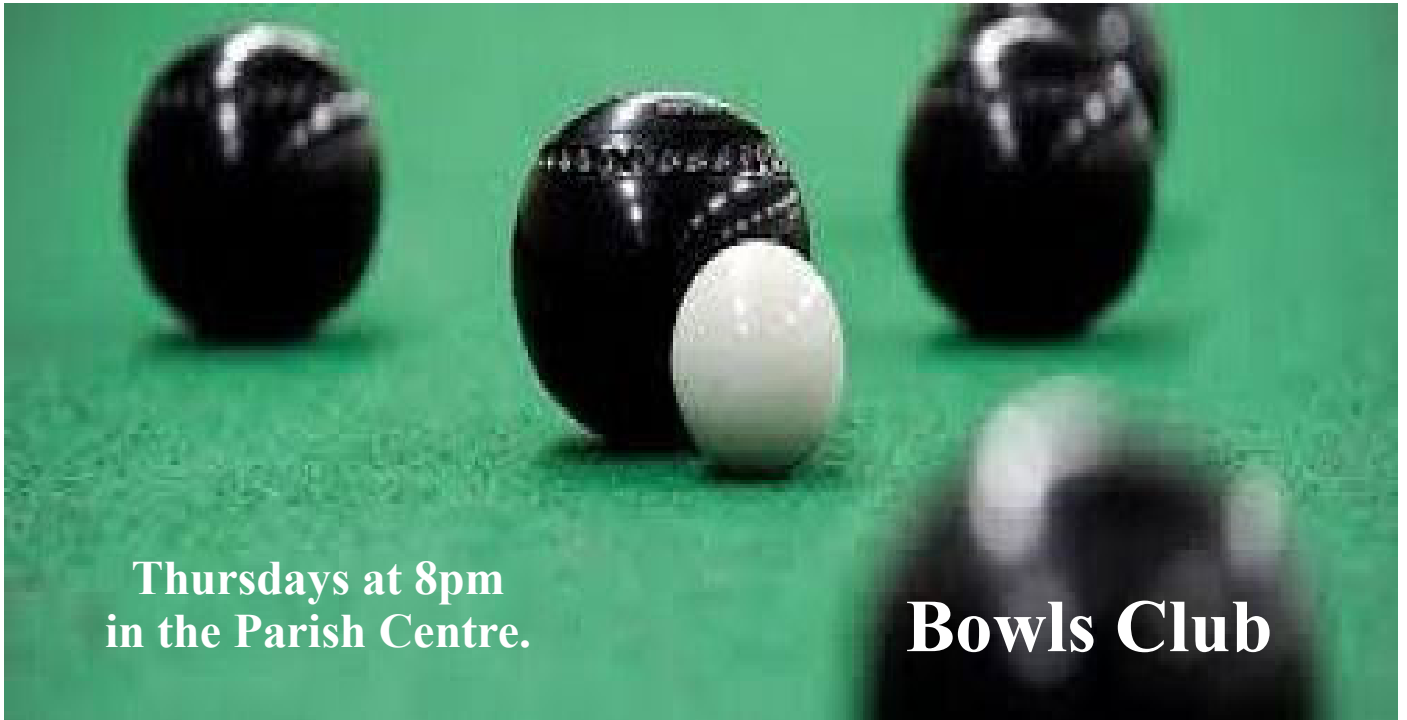
More information

from Jean

085 7738218



Clubs and Organisations



Thursdays at 8pm
in the Parish Centre.

Bowls Club



TABLE TENNIS

Mondays 8pm in the Parish Centre.

Looking for new members!

Rehearsals Monday evenings in the Parish Centre

Parish Choir

Please come along and sing!



SUNDAY

CLUB

FUN

GAMES

CREATE

**1st & 3rd Sundays during term time!
We're back Sunday 15th Sept.
Newcastle Church at 12 noon!**

Games

Treasure Hunts



Baking



Stories

Arts & Crafts

Come and join the fun!

YOUTH CLUB

Join us!

Newcastle Parish Centre

Friday 4th October



from 4th Class to 1st year

Junior C H O I R

Looking forward to welcoming new members and everyone back!

A graphic for a Junior Choir. It features the word 'Junior' in large, colorful letters above 'C H O I R'. Below the text is a collage of musical notes and silhouettes of people in various colors (green, yellow, orange, pink, purple, blue) with their arms raised. A calendar icon is in the bottom left corner.

Starting again Soon!

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YOUTH GROUP

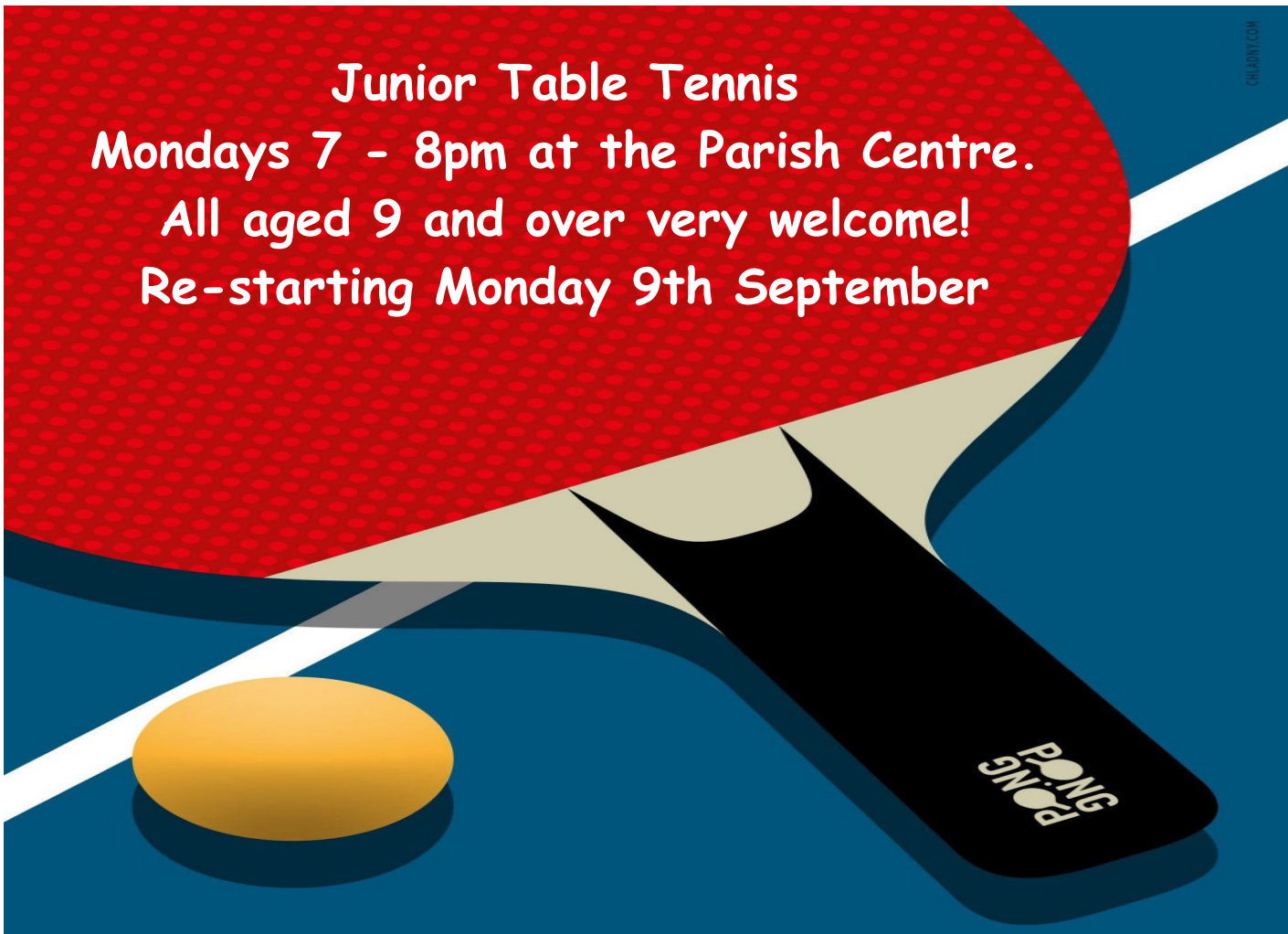
Senior youth group re starting in October!

A graphic for a Youth Group. It features the words 'YOUTH' and 'GROUP' in large, bold letters on 3D blue rectangular blocks. Below, a smaller blue block contains the text 'Senior youth group re starting in October!'. The background has blue splatters and brushstrokes.

From 1st year up!

All warmly welcome!

Junior Table Tennis
Mondays 7 - 8pm at the Parish Centre.
All aged 9 and over very welcome!
Re-starting Monday 9th September



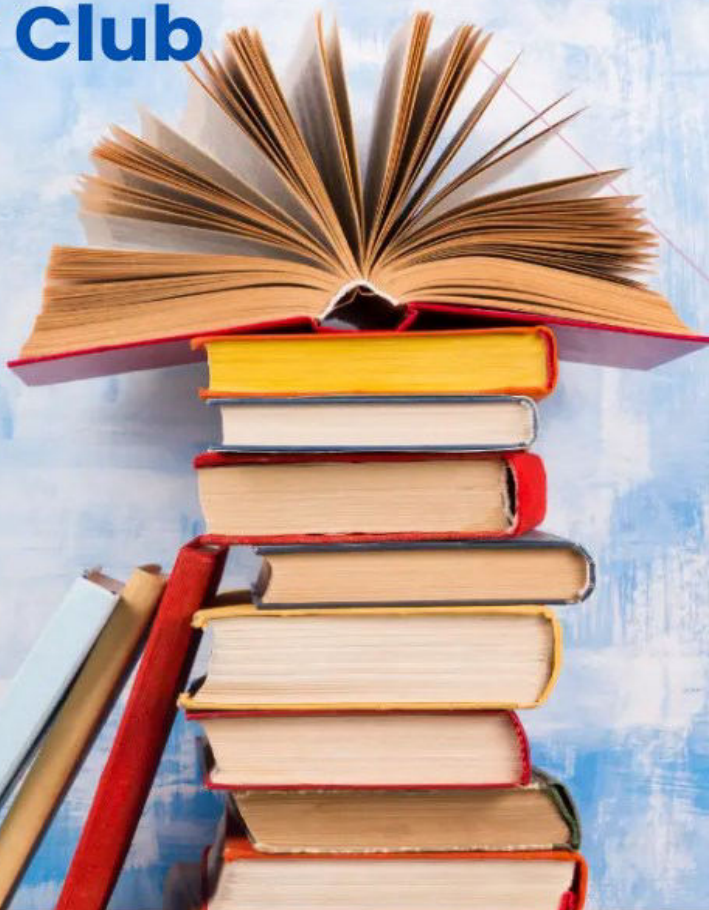
Book Club

Just like our junior and senior youth groups we would like to start junior and senior book clubs! Beginning soon and meeting once per month!

The senior children will run their own club and choose their books.

Both will have adult supervision and refreshments provided!

We'll have more information closer to the time, please register your interest with Ross or Fiona!





NEWCASTLE SUMMER FESTIVAL 2024!





We had a fantastic day in the beautiful sunshine at our Summer Festival on Saturday 31st August. Crowds of people surged in all afternoon making it a day to remember. Huge thanks to our 65 volunteers who gave their time to set up on Friday evening, carry endless boxes to the stalls, put up theming, provide goods for the stalls, man stalls and activities, provide entertainment, and take it all down again. To top it all we had the launch of Will's Playground, an enormous achievement by Andrew, Julie and Emily, supported by their families and friends. Special mention to our newest attraction, the Human One Armed Bandit, which was an enormous hit, to the 91 year old provider of *all* the eats on the vegetarian stall, Anne Garrett, to Peter, to Kim, to Ruth, to Gerry, and to Ed who seemed to be everywhere doing everything. A success and over €7,100 raised!



HAPPY AUTUMN

WORD SEARCH

F K H Y N O V E M B E R J E F
 D C C S M M A F L U Q X B X Q
 X Z Q S S D A O T L E A V E S
 O C T O B E R O R N D U H J Z
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Thanksgiving	September	November	Football
Harvest	October	August	Apples
Autumn	Leaves	Acorn	Rake
Fall	Pumpkins	Trees	Hay

FUNDRAISING TO DATE 2024

Supper Theatre	€5,221	Chris Holland Concert	€5,666
Garden Forage	€ 295	Summer Festival	€7,130 (draft)



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 in St Matthew's.

SERVICES IN SEPTEMBER

DATE	CHURCH	TIME	?	SERVICE	READING
Sunday 1st <i>14th Sunday after Trinity</i>	Calary St Matthew's	9.30 11.00	RS	MP	Song of Solomon 2: 8-13 Psalm 45: 1-2, 6-9 James 1: 17-27 Mark 7: 1-8, 14-15, 21-23
Sunday 8th <i>15th Sunday after Trinity</i>	Calary St Matthew's Newcastle	9.30 10.45 12.00	RS	Service of Wholeness and Healing	Proverbs 22: 1-2, 8-9, 22-23 Psalm 125 James 2: 1-10, 14-17 Mark 7: 24-37
Sunday 15th <i>16th Sunday after Trinity</i>	Calary St Matthew's Newcastle	9.30 10.45 12.00	RS	HC	Proverbs 1: 20-33 Psalm 19 James 3: 1-12 Mark 8: 27-38
Sunday 22nd <i>17th Sunday after Trinity</i>	Calary St Matthew's Newcastle	9.30 10.45 12.00	RS	Service of the Word	Proverbs 31: 10-31 Psalm 1 James 3: 13—4: 3, 7-8a Mark 9: 30-37
Friday 27th	Newcastle	19.30	RS & The Most Rev Dr Michael Jackson	United Harvest Service and 10 year anniversary of the Parish Centre	
Sunday 29th <i>18th Sunday after Trinity</i>	Calary Newcastle	9.30 11.00	RS	Blessing of the animals United all age Harvest with Blessing of the animals	