

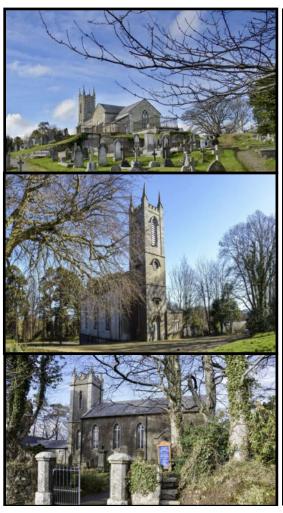




### PARISH INFORMATION NEWS SHEET

Parishes of Newcastle and Newtownmountkennedy with Calary

## JUNE 2025



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Dear Friends,

As summer arrives (with good weather!), I hope you all get an opportunity for well deserved rest and relaxation. As we approach the end of school term, I would like to wish all those moving to new schools every blessing, especially those from CastleKidz and St. Francis NS. I would also like to wish all those who have exams the best of luck and every blessing at this time. I hope all goes well for you but remember that all you can do is do your best and that there are many paths to get to your chosen course or career. God of peace be with you, God of strength support you, God of love surround you.

I wish to thank the staff of St Francis NS and Joanne, Irene and Mia in CastleKidz for all their hard work, dedication and care of our young people. We all truly appreciate it and wish you a happy summer break!

As table tennis, junior and senior youth groups, Sunday club and youth book club wind down for the summer, I'd like to thank again all our wonderful leaders and volunteers for all the time they give and the enthusiasm and creativity they bring to these groups.

Guitar lessons have been a great success and I would like to thank all the young people taking part and Mark Leeson for teaching the class. The lessons will be back in September!

On Friday May 16th, St. Francis NS Parents Association held a Golf Classic in aid of the school. Sincere thanks to Amy and all of the Parents Association members who work so hard to support our school!

On Saturday 24th May the John Medlycott memorial concert took place, with a full church to hear the beautiful music. In a fitting tribute to John's memory, all funds raised go to support young musicians as they study.

My sincere thanks to Martin and Avril for inviting us again to Dunran on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> May for our outdoor Rogation service and picnic. It is always a lovely opportunity for all three churches to come together in worship and community, in a beautiful location! We had a lovely morning unfortunately the rain curtailed our picnic! Many thanks to Ed and Doug who set up, to our readers Derek, Ed and Caroline and to Sheila for providing our music. Huge thanks also to everyone who braved the elements and joined us!

I don't know if you have noticed but the Clock on Newcastle church tower now has the right time! Sincere thanks to Fred Rountree for arranging to get it repaired! Our graveyard in Newcastle has never looked so well! I would like to thank Colin Watchorn and Ed Power and everybody else who gives their time to maintain the graveyard. Thank you!

Our third Gardeners Question Time was on Wednesday 28th May in the parish centre. A huge thank you to everyone who came, with wonderful questions! Each year the numbers and questions grow. I hope we answered them well! Special thanks to Cherry and John for agreeing to allow us pick their brains again! Thanks also to Caroline for donating two beautiful Abutilons and to everyone who provided refreshments and helped clean up. We raised €320 for the parish, which I hope to use in a horticultural way, to improve the planting in the parish centre.

While we ended 2024 on a sad note with Karen's retirement, we begin the summer on a happy note with the news of our new administrator! I am thrilled to announce that on June 9th, Sarah Kavanagh will join us us! We look forward to welcoming her!

Since the middle of December Tina has looked after all payroll, invoicing and payments. I would like to thank her for giving so generously of her time. It is greatly appreciated!

On Sunday June 22<sup>nd</sup>, in Newcastle Church at 12pm, we will have a united all age family service and prize giving for all our young people, to thank them for all they do in both of our youth clubs, junior table tennis, and Sunday club and book club. Our service will be followed by a BBQ and lunch for all, as we enjoy fun, food and fellowship together! Please join us if you can.

As the summer progresses, we have lots more to look forward to, with our series of classical music concerts in Calary and our Summer Fair on Saturday August 30<sup>th</sup>! My thanks to Julie Leeson and our new administrator Sarah who will be helping to organise for the first time this year, please do let us know if you can help! It is always a fun family event and important to the vitality of our parish.

God bless, Ross

### Calary News

John Medlycott Memorial Concert – the second concert in memory of John took place on Saturday 24th May when Anna Cashell (violin) and Aisling Ennis (harp) played works by Bach, Vaughan Williams. Anna has played at Calary since she was a young teenager and Aisling is also a frequent performer at Calary concerts. The Church was full, with audience members also sitting behind the reading desk and pulpit. Comments from the audience as they left showed that they enjoyed the wonderful performance. The profit from the concert will be added to that from the first concert and help provide a bursary at the Royal Irish Academy of Music.

Music in Calary summer concerts continue with an exciting programme of events. June Piano Festival with Steinway Grand Piano

Wednesday 11th June Festival opens – Kalle Peura (piano)

Saturday 14th June Janet Ashe Memorial Concert – Lorna Breen (soprano) Sarah Kilcoyne (mezzo) and accompanist (piano)

Wednesday 18th June - Fionnuala Moynihan (piano) Kieran Moynihan (flute)

Friday 20th June -- Macdara O'Seireadain (clarinet) with piano and viola. Information and booking 01 2818118 or derekneilson11@gmail.com.

We are looking forward to Celebrating with Sr Mary on 6th July and to the Calary Art and Craft Festival in September!







#### Welcome!!

Our new administrator is Sarah Kavanagh.

Sarah lives in Newtownmountkennedy with her husband, Ian and daughter, Sophie. She has a passion for knitting, crochet and Jigsaws! When she has downtime, she can usually be found making something!



Sarah will start in the Parish office on Monday 9th June.

The parish office hours will be Monday to Friday 9am to 12pm.

Drop in and say hello!





### **SUMMER FAIR**

### **SATURDAY 30th AUGUST**



### We're looking for your help!

We need help to run the various stalls, to set up the tents, to take them down and to clear up!

Contributions of **GOOD AS NEW** toys, books, bric a brac **Also:** 

cakes, preserves, bottles, plants, flowers, filled jars for hoopla and prizes

We'd love your help and involvement!

Thank you!

### **SUMMER OUTING!**

A tour of St Patrick's Cathedral and lunch!
Thursday 26th June



For more information or to book, please contact Ross or the Parish Office!



## Music in Calary Summer 2025 continues

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Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> July Musici Ireland
Ioana Petcu-Colan (violin) Beth McNinch (viola) Vourneen Ryan (flute)

Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> September Art Exhibition Weekend Chien Buggle (classical guitar)

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> September Culture night
Andrew Sheeran (violin) Catriona Finnegan (cello)

#### Information & Booking

Concerts start at 8 pm €15 |€18

01 281 8118 | derekneilson11@gmail.com Calary Church | A98 H766 | R766 | Exit 8 off N11

Music in Calary is Sponsored by Wicklow Co. Co. Arts



# Calary Parish Church Arts and Craft Festival 5th 6th & 7th September 2025

(in aid of local charities)

### Exhibition of Paintings and Crafts by local artists

Exhibition opens Friday 5th @ 7:00pm Continues on Saturday 11am—6pm & Sunday 12—5pm

Concert on Saturday evening

Chien Buggle - Classical Guitar

Saturday 6th @ 8pm

Information & Booking
01 281 8118 | drekneilson11@gmail.com

Plant & Country Produce Sale
Saturday 11am-3pm for Fields of Life Sponsorship

### Further details from:

Gay 086 060 5268 | Charlotte 086 835 4394 | Derek derekneilson11@gmail.com

Calary Church, Kilmacanogue, Co. Wicklow. Eircode A98 H766
Exit 8 off N11 then R755 (Roundwood to Kilmacanogue Road)

## Around the Parishes in May!



Junior youth group trip to Go Quest!



Happy Birthday June and Sheila!













Sunday Club Ice-Cream &Butterflies



St Francis NS
Golf Classic























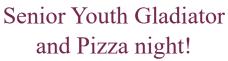




























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Confirmation Spring 2026

Classes starting in Autumn 2025

For children currently in 5th and 6th class

Please register your interest with Ross or e-mail the Parish Office, Thank you!

## Wishing all sitting exams good luck!

### Prayer Before an Examination

Dear Lord, as I take this exam, I thank you that my value

Is not based on my performance, but on your great love for me.

Come into my heart so that we can walk through this time together.

Help me, not only with this test, but the many tests of life that are sure to come my way.

As I take this exam, bring back to my mind everything I studied

and be gracious with what I have overlooked.

Help me to remain focused and calm, confident in the facts and in my ability,

and firm in the knowledge that no matter what happens today you are there with me.

#### - A Salesian Prayer







### **Class of 2025**

Freya, Harry, Theo, Beth, Holly, Emmie, Patrick, Mason, Hugo, Fia, Ava, Alex, Robyn, Ryan

## The Adventure Begins

### **BEHIND YOU**

all your memories

### **BEFORE YOU**

all your dreams

### **AROUND YOU**

all who love you

### WITHIN YOU

all you need

The board of management, staff and pupils of St Francis' NS wish their 6th class all the very best on their next big step going into secondary school!



We are so proud of you and we will miss you!



### James, Nicholas, Sam, Raiya and Callum

Good luck on your next big adventure!

The board of management and staff of CastleKidz wish our preschool children all the very best starting their big school journey!

We are really proud of you and will miss you very much!!





### Stay and Play



WHEN: every Wednesday

WHERE: Parish Centre, Newcastle, A63X782

TIME: 10.00~11.30

FOR: newborns ~under 5's and their adults

All welcome to this friendly, informal group.

Lots of fun for little ones while we grab a

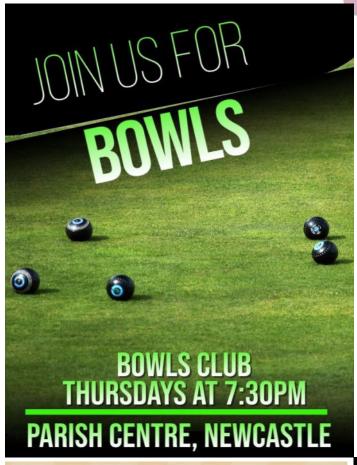
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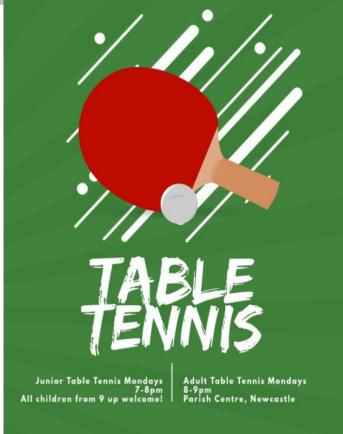
Whatsapp/text 0860659637 for more info or just drop in.

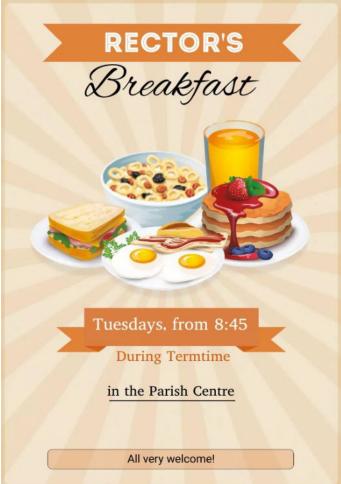
No charge, donations towards tea and biscuits welcome

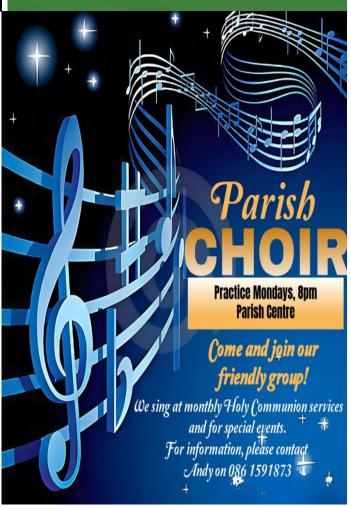


## Clubs & Organisations









### YOUTH CLUB Join us!

### **Newcastle Parish Centre**

Friday 16th June

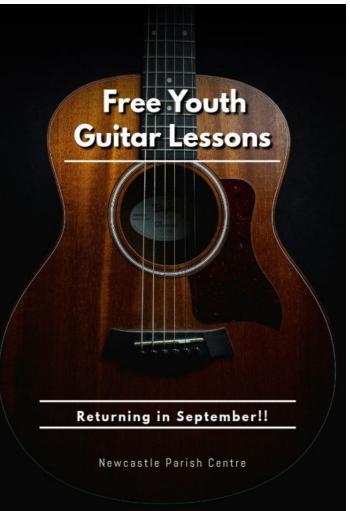




From 1st year up!

All warmly welcome!







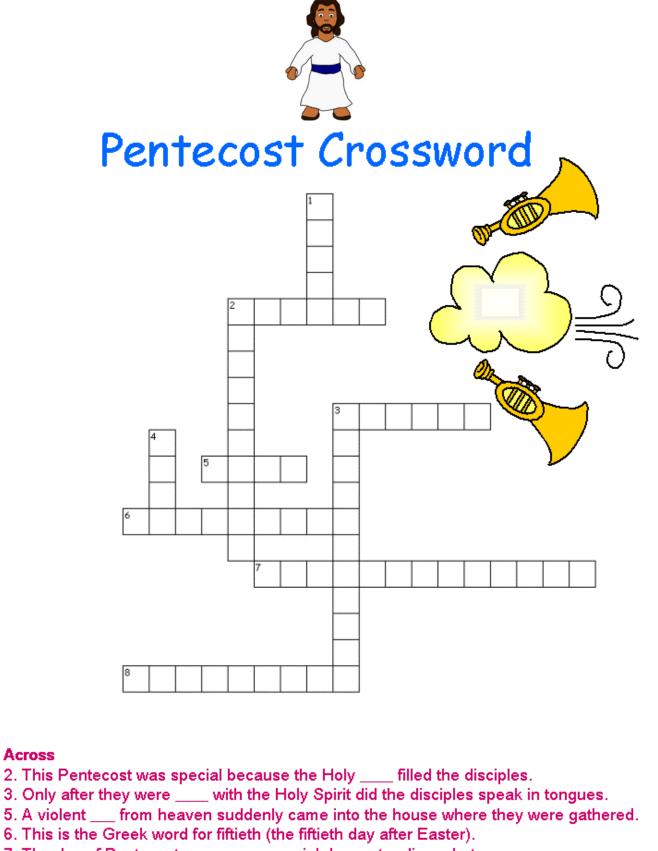
### children's Corner



### One More Step Along the World I Go

One more step along the world I go, One more step along the world I go From the old things to the new, Keep me travelling along with you: And it's from the old I travel to the new Keep me travelling along with you. Round the corners of the world I turn, More and more about the world I learn All the new things that I see You'll be looking at along with me. And it's from the old I travel to the new Keep me travelling along with you. As I travel through the bad and good, Keep me travelling the way I should. Where I see no way to go, You'll be telling me the way, I know. And it's from the old I travel to the new Keep me travelling along with you. Give me courage when the world is rough, Keep me loving though the world is tough Leap and sing in all I do, Keep me travelling along with you: And it's from the old I travel to the new Keep me travelling along with you. You are older than the world can be, You are younger than the life in me Ever old and ever new, Keep me travelling along with you: And it's from the old I travel to the new Keep me travelling along with you





#### Across

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- 7. The day of Pentecost was a very special day, not ordinary but \_\_\_\_\_.
- 8. All of the disciples began speaking in different \_\_\_\_\_.

#### Down

- 1. Because of the Holy Spirit now the believers had this to be witnesses to everyone.
- 2. The fire from Heaven \_\_\_\_ the new power and presence of the Holy Spirit in them.
- 3. Pentecost was also called the day of this, when the people brought an offering.
- 4. It looked like tongues of this separated and came to rest on each of the disciples.

## Nature and Wildlife

### **House Martin**

Irish Name: Gabhlán Binne

**Scientific name:** Delichon urbicum

Swallows & Mar-

**Bird Family:** tins

#### Status

Common summer visitor throughout Ireland from mid-March to late-September.

#### Identification

Between Sand Martin and Swallow in size. In all plumages has a large white rump, a feature not shown by either Sand Martin or Swallow. The flight is also different, gliding frequently on extended, almost triangular wings. Has a shallow tail fork like Sand Martin. Adult House Martins have a glossy black head, back, wings and tail, contrasting markedly with the pure white underparts. In juveniles, the upperparts lake the glossy sheen, while the underparts are washed grey-brown.

#### Voice

Rather vocal. The most frequently heard call is a dry "prittt". Has a rather primitive song of various squeaky notes mixed with call-notes.

#### Diet

Like Swallows and Sand Martins, House Martins feed on insects such as aphids and mayflies caught in flight.

#### **Breeding**

Similar to Swallow, the House Martin constructs a nest out of mud. It is usually sited underneath the eaves of a house. Also nests on cliffs. Usually raises between two or three broods every year, with some fledging as late as October.

#### Wintering

Winters in tropical Africa.

### Monitored by

Countryside Bird Survey and BirdTrack.

## Easy Lemonade

### **Ingredients**

- 6 unwaxed lemons, washed, plus extra slices to serve (optional)
- 125g granulated sugar
- 1 ltr soda water or sparkling water, chilled
- ice cubes



#### Method

- 1. Remove the lemon zest with a peeler, avoiding the pith, then juice the lemons. Place the zest in a medium saucepan with the sugar and 400ml water.
- 2. Place on a low heat and bring to the boil slowly, stirring to dissolve the sugar. Once the syrup is boiling, add the lemon juice and immediately remove from the heat. Leave until completely cool, then strain into jug and chill.
- **3.** To serve, mix with chilled soda water or sparkling water and serve over ice with extra lemon slices, and a sprig of mint.
- **4.** You can also strain into a sterilised bottle, it will keep in the fridge for up to three days.



### Calary Parish

### Easter Vestry Wednesday 7th April 2025

### **Election of Officers and Select Vestry**

Rector's Churchwarden: Derek Neilson People's Churchwarden: June Roe Glebewarden: Ken Townsend Hon. Treasuer: Charlotte O'Brien Hon. Secretary: Linda Byrne

### **Select Vestry Members**

Claire Chambers, Eve Holmes, Gay Nuttall, Joanna Nuttall, Ethni Seymour, Jonathen Sutton, Rachel Sutton, Daphne Townsend, Majorie Travers

### Parish of Newcastle and Newtownmountkennedy

### Easter Vestry Thursday 8th April 2025

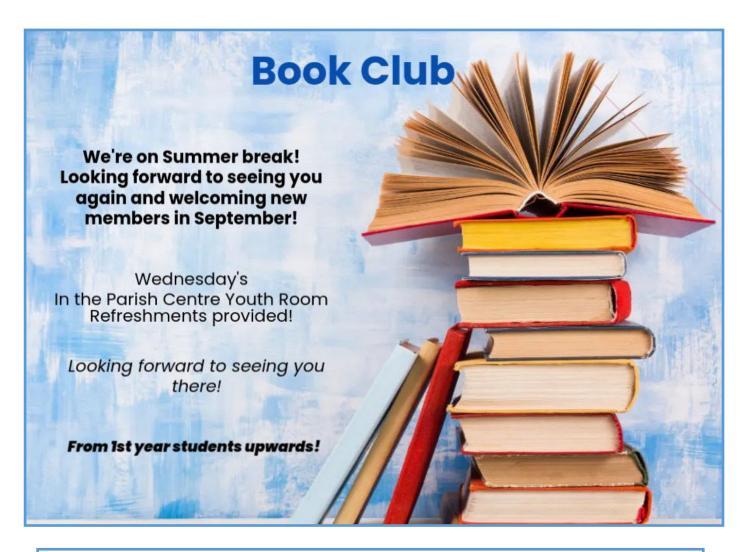
### **Election of Officers and Select Vestry**

Newcastle Rector's Churchwarden: Jane Smith Newcastle People's Churchwarden: Andrew Leeson St Matthew's Rector's Churchwarden: Jane O'Herlihy St Matthew's People's Churchwarden: William Day Rector's Glebewarden: James Norse People's Glebewarden: Peter Johnston Hon. Treasuer: Tina Donohoe

### **Select Vestry Members**

Hon. Secretary: Caroline Tindal

Joanna Byrne, Orla Hamilton, John Langrell, Conor O'Leary, Ed Power, Karen Reynolds, Fred Rountree, Andy Sleeman, Mary Valentine





### Youth Book Club Summer Reading list!



Blood Moon by Lucy Cuthew

To Steal From Thevies by M.K. Lobb

The Sea Witch by Sarah Henning

Aristotle and Dante Discover the Secrets of the Universe by Benjamin Alire Saenz

Nick and Charlie by Alice Oseman

The Glass Girl by Kathleen Glasgow

Rhino's Run by Robert Lipsyte

Orangeboy by Patrice Lawrence

They Both Die at the End by Adam Silvera

The Book Thief by Markus Zusak





### SCHOOL PLACES **AVAILABLE AUGUST 2025**

St Francis' NS school has places available for some classes from August 2025.

Are you moving to the area? Are you looking to become part of a vibrant and active community? Please get in touch.

#### WHY CHOOSE US?

- √ Small class sizes
- √ State of the art facilities
- Kind and inclusive environment
- ✓ Enthusiastic and supportive staff

Application forms can be found at; www.saintfrancisns.com



FOR MORE INFORMATION



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Parish Centre, Church Lane, Newcastle

Playschool
Open 9am to 12 noon
5 days a week
Full-time and Part-time places
ECCE and non-ECCE
Excellent facilities indoors and outdoors

Afterschool
Open 1:20pm to 6pm
5 days a week
Very limited Full-time and Part-time places

For information and booking: Please contact Joanne on 087 7216929

**Registered for National Childcare Scheme** 

Limited places available for September 2025. Waiting list now in operation.

### **Parish Centre Room Hire**

Large hall with stage suitable for performances, seminars, parties, sport, dance and much more!

Also, a fully equipped kitchen, a youth room, sitting room and large conference room.

Wheelchair accessible.



Contact the parish office for more details or to view on 085-1640133

Parish Centre, Church Lane, Newcastle, A63 X782

## PENTECOST PRAYER

Come, O Holy Spirit. Come, O Holy Spirit.

Come as Holy Fire and burn in us, come as Holy Wind and cleanse us within, come as Holy Light and lead us in the darkness, come as Holy Truth and dispel our ignorance, come as Holy Power and enable our weakness, come as Holy Life and dwell in us.

Convict us, convert us, consecrate us, until we are set free from the service of ourselves, to be your servants to the world.

Amen

SERVICES IN JUNE

DATE	CHURCH	TIME	?	SERVICE	READING
Sunday 1st The Seventh Sunday of Easter After Ascension Day	Calary St Matthew's Newcastle	9:30 10:45 12:00	RS	Holy Communion	1 Samuel 12: 19-24 Psalm 97 Acts 16: 16-34 John 17: 20-26
Sunday 8th The Day of Pentecost Whit Sunday	Calary St Matthew's Newcastle	9:30 10:45 12:00	RS	Holy Communion	Genesis 11: 1-9 Psalm 104: 26-37 Acts 2: 1-21 John 14: 8-17, 25-27
<b>Sunday 15th</b> Trinity Sunday	Calary St Matthew's Newcastle	9:30 10:45 12:00	RS	Service of the Word	Proverbs 8: 1-4, 22-31 Psalm 8 Romans: 5: 1-5 John 16: 12-15
Sunday 22nd The First Sunday after Trinity	Calary Newcastle	9:30 12:00	RS	Morning Prayer United all age Family Service and BBQ	1 Kings 19: 1-8, 15a Psalms 42; 43 Galatians 3: 23-29 Luke 8: 26-39
Sunday 29th The Second Sunday after Trinity	Calary St Matthew's Newcastle	9:30 10:45 12:00	RS	Service of Wholeness and Healing	2 Kings 2: 1-2, 6-14 Psalm 77: 1-2, 11-20 Galatians 5: 1, 13-25 Luke 9: 51-62



Holy Communion is celebrated every Wednesday, with prayer for the sick, at 10.30am in St Matthew's.

Everyone is warmly welcome for tea/coffee in the McLean Room after all services.



