Parish Information Vews

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Parish of Newcastle and Newtownmountkennedy With Calary

May 2009



Please send any items for inclusion in June PINS to:

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(Items need to be received by Wednesday 27th for publication on Sunday 31st May)

For further information visit:

www.newcastleparish.org www.newtownmountkennedyparish.org www.calaryparish.org

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

Newcastle and Newtownmountkennedy Select Vestry meeting on Tuesday 12th May at 8pm in the McLean Room.

Calary Select Vestry meeting on Wednesday 10th June at 8.30pm in the Church Room.

Services in May

DATE	CHURCH	TIME	SERVICE	READING
Friday 1 st :	Calary	7.30 pm	Service of Blessing by the Archbishop	
Sunday 3 rd :				
	Calary	9.30 am	Morning Prayer	Acts 4:
S.S. & Crèche	St. Matthew's Newcastle	10.45 am 12 noon	Morning Prayer Holy Communion	5 - 12
Sunday 10 th :				
•	Calary	9.30 am	Morning Prayer	Acts 8:
	St. Matthew's		Holy Communion	26 - 40
S.S. & Crèche	Newcastle	12 noon	Morning Prayer	
Sunday 17 th :				
•	Calary	9.30 am	Family Service	Acts 10:
	St. Matthew's Newcastle	10.45 am 7.00 pm	Morning Prayer Unity Gospel Choir	44 - 48
Sunday 24 th :				
·	St. Matthew's	10.45 am	Family Service	Acts 1:
S.S. & Crèche	Newcastle	12 noon	Morning Prayer	15-17, 21-26
Sunday 31st:	Pentecost (Whit Sunday)			
Sunday School	Calary	9.30 am	Holy Communion	Acts 2:
	St. Matthew's		Holy Communion	1 - 21
S.S. & Crèche	Newcastle	12 noon	Holy Communion	

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 a chat in the McLean Room.

Calary Sunday School

Sunday School has recommenced in Calary and will take place on Sundays when there is Holy Communion. We look forward to welcoming children of all ages.

Tea and coffee will be available in the McLean Room after the **Family Service** in St. Matthew's on Sunday 24th.

The Select Vestries for 2009 - 2010 elected at the recent General Easter Vestries are as follows:

	CALARY	NEWCASTLE AND NEWTOWNMOUNTKENNEDY
RECTOR'S CHURCHWARDEN	Eve Holmes	Ed Power (Newcastle) Linda Shannon (St. Matthew's)
PEOPLE'S CHURCHWARDEN	Claire Chambers	Karen Reynolds (Newcastle) Edie Wheatley (St. Matthew's)
GLEBEWARDEN	Geoffrey Seymour	James Norse (Rector's) Mervyn Garrett (People's)
HONORARY SECRETARY	Ethni Seymour	Margaret Murphy
HONORARY TREASURER	Lastly Gray	Michael Pettigrew
OTHERS	Elizabeth Delamere Elizabeth Keeley John Medlycott Derek Neilson Gay Nuttall June Roe Elizabeth Sutton Marjorie Travers	Clodagh Jennings Peter Johnston Gillian O'Neill Andy Sleeman Billy Smith Brian Smyth Marjorie Stokes Caroline Tindal Neil Ward Erica White

Parochial Nominators and Synodsmen were elected last year for 2008 - 2011 and remain as follows:

	CALARY	NEWCASTLE AND NEWTOWNMOUNTKENNEDY
SYNODSMEN	Derek Neilson	James Norse Karen Reynolds
SUPPLEMENTAL SYNODSMEN	Ethni Seymour	John Langrell Pamela Roe
PAROCHIAL NOMINATORS	John Medlycott	Margaret Murphy Caroline Tindal Tony Noonan



The Affairs at Meddlers Top

By Richard Coleman

A comic play of mystery, murder, theft and intrigue St Francis School Hall

Friday 22nd May at 8 pm

Adults Children €10 to include glass of wine €5 to include soft drink

Saturday 23rd May at 7 pm

Adults Children €15 to include barbeque €10 to include barbeque

Tickets available at Rectory Cottage and Newcastle Church Or from Karen Reynolds 087-2866889 and Clodagh Jennings 086-8558886

Church Room Extension

On Friday 1st May the extended Church Room in Calary will be officially opened and blessed by the Archbishop. This service of blessing will take place at 7.30 pm and will be followed by refreshments. All welcome!

Unity Gospel Choir

If you heard them in Calary Church last year you will want to hear them again and if you missed them then, now is your chance to hear this fantastic choir in Newcastle Church on Sunday 17th May at 7.00pm.

Garden Tea Party and Plant Sale

On Sunday May 24th from 3-5pm the Medlycotts, Knockraheen, Roundwood, will be holding a tea party and plant sale in aid of the extension to Calary Church. Knockraheen has an old farmhouse garden. The garden is situated on the R765 approx 2 miles from Roundwood and 4 miles from Newtown. All are welcome, admission €10, €5 children.

Bloom in the Park

Following the visit to this event last year I have had several requests to organise a repeat visit this year. I will get tickets for 30 people and have booked a bus to deliver us to the Phoenix Park on **THURSDAY 28 MAY** at a cost of €25 inclusive of

entrance. This will be open to anyone living in the area that would care to join us on a **'first come, first served'** basis. The trip will start from Newtownmountkennedy, leaving about 9.30am. Please call **Ann O'Neill** on 2812145 to book a place. Money in advance is advised to secure your booking.

FAMILY NOTICES

Wedding

In Newcastle Parish church on 4th April 2009, **Richard Andrew Cullen**, Oakfield House, Killough, Bray and **Arlene Margaret Roe**, Killough Farm, Bray, Co. Wicklow.

Congratulations to Richard and Arlene! We wish them blessing and happiness in their home together on The Long Hill.



Congratulations to Pat and Sue Milligan pictured here on their wedding day 60 years ago!

Their family and friends joined them in a party to celebrate their anniversary and we wish them many more happy years together!

Music to the Glory of God!

A packed congregation in Newcastle Church on Sunday 29th March very nearly raised the roof with their singing. Oh that it could be like that every Sunday! With singing directed by John Dexter, Sheila Cleary racing between organ and piano and Peter Lundy giving it his all on the trumpet, it was a very resounding and fitting musical tribute to our organists. Many thanks to all who contributed to the sumptious tea afterwards where tributes of a different kind were given to all five organists as can be seen in the picture on the front cover.

General Easter Vestries

There was a good attendance at both Easter Vestries in the week before Easter. At each one the Rector thanked all those who had contributed in any way to the life of the parish, the financial reports were presented and a new Select Vestry was elected to run the parish for the coming year on behalf of all parishioners. As always there was then an opportunity for discussion on other business and the meetings then closed with prayers.

Parish Trip

We are currently assessing interest in a parish weekend away.

Suggestions so far have been Prague, Edinburgh and Bronte / Herriot country (Yorkshire) in England. The aim would be to leave on a Friday and return on a Sunday, and the intention is to organise the most economical and entertaining weekend possible. If you think you might be interested, or you have suggestions for a destination, please talk to Karen (087-2866889)

Midweek Group

With the Alpha Course now complete there is a general desire to continue with some kind of informal midweek group. No specific format has been decided upon until the group meets when there will be opportunity for discussion and suggestions as to how the group would like to develop. This is open to everybody and not just those who attended the Alpha Course. The first meeting will be on Wednesday 6th May in the McLean Room at 8pm.

Tuesday Club

Our annual Bring and Buy in aid of the Alzheimer's Society took the place of our usual monthly meeting and was well-attended. At the first count the sum raised was in excess of €100 and huge thanks are due to all those who attended and to the many willing helpers who gave so much of their time and energies to make it such a success.

The April meeting will be an outing to Dail Eireann to which we have an invitation from local TD, Andrew Doyle.

A bus will leave Newcastle Community Centre at **1.30pm.** on **Tuesday 12 May** so please give your name to either Margaret (2810401) or Ann (2812145) if you would like to be included. Any members of our three Parishes will be most welcome.

Parent and Toddler Group

Happy Birthday to Sebastian this month!

Anyone with a preschool child (or children!) welcome any Monday (except Bank Holiday Monday 4th) in the Rectory Cottage between 10.30am and 12.30pm. Plenty of tea, toast, chat and play!

Please note it is now €2 per family per session in line with other groups.



Tea and Toast Fridays

The cottage will be open on Friday every week in May except the 1st and 29th when school closes early. All welcome between 1 and 2.20pm for a snack and tea or coffee.

Presuming assembly is in church on Friday 29th then breakfast will be available in the cottage from 8.30am on that day. Please come early so as not to delay assembly.

Coffee in the Cottage

The Rectory Cottage will be open for coffee, tea and chat from 10.30 am until 12.30 pm every Tuesday morning during May. Anyone, young or old, who is free time is welcome to drop in for a chat.

Leisurely Lunches

Lunch in the cottage this month will be on Thursday 21st from 12.30 to 2.30pm. Good company, good food and good value.

MUSIC IN CALARY



2009 is a special year for Calary Parish, as the church was built 175 years ago in 1834 and to mark this several events are being planned. The church room has been significantly rebuilt and extended and will be blessed by Archbishop John Neill on Friday May 1st



The first concert held in Calary, which was to celebrate the Church's 150th anniversary, was organised in 1984 by Dame Ruth King and thus the seed for Music in Calary was sown. Since 1999, we have been fortunate to have been able to arrange regular concerts, which have kindly been supported financially by Wicklow County Council and FBD Insurance Ltd.

We have already organised a very exciting programme of concerts for this year:

- Saturday May 2nd the **Capilla Renacentista**, a chamber choir attached to the Complutense University of Madrid, are giving a very special concert 'Images of the Virgin Mary'. This will feature a fascinating selection of works by Palestrina and the Seville composer Gererro. This will be a rare opportunity for a Wicklow audience to hear this well known vocal group who perform regularly in Spain. They are devoted to early music and have a wide repertoire especially centered in Renaissance polyphony.
- Friday May 15th the **Attrampe quartet**, which is composed of students at the Royal Northern College of Music in Manchester and is led by **Ben Cashell** from Balbriggan, will perform works by Beethoven and Schubert. They will be joined by the well known young Wicklow cellist **Paul Grennan**.
- On Friday June 12, Elizabeth Cooney (violin) and Redmond O'Toole (guitar) will give a recital.
- It is hoped to have a weekend towards the end of June or early July which will include another concert for young Wicklow pianists together with concerts by **Fiachra Garvey** (piano) with **Ruth Gibson** (viola) and **Annette Cleary** (cello) with **Lance Coburn** (piano).
- 1 In the autumn we hope to have an **Art Exhibition** and some further musical events.

All concerts commence at 8pm. Admission to regular concerts will be €15, with €10 for concessions and tickets can be obtained by phoning John Medlycott at 01-2818146 or emailing derekneilson@eircom.net

A sustentation envelope for the first half year 2009 is enclosed with PINS for Newcastle and Newtownmountkennedy parishioners.

Fields of Life

Many thanks to all in Calary who supported the Sponsor a Child Scheme for the past year - it is going well and we are hoping for continued support for the year ahead. **J.R.**

St. Francis' National School would welcome any of the Schools Vouchers currently being issued by Tescos or Super Valu. They can be exchanged for school resources.

COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD

Meals on Wheels

Meals on Wheels are seeking drivers for **one hour once a month** on Tuesdays or Thursdays. The drivers are needed for the Newtown/Newcastle area between about 12 and 1pm. Contact Irene Carey 2819321

Irish Blood Transfusion Service

Blood Donors needed at the mobile unit which will be at the GAA Hall, GAA Building, Mill Road, Greystones on;

Thursday 30th April from 3pm to 4.45pm and 7pm to 9pm Friday 1st May from 12pm to 4pm.

Greystones Active Retirement Association

Bookings for the outing to the Gaiety Theatre Dublin on the 9th May to see the R&R production of the Producers from 10.30-11.30 Tuesday mornings. The cost is 32.00euros to include coach & Ticket.

Day Outing on the 20th May to Newgrange & heritage centre at Battle of the Boyne. The cost is €30.00 – includes coach and lunch. Booking at K.H.F.C. Tuesday morning from 10.30-11.30 on and from 28th April.

<u>Greystones Flower Club</u> (Carraig Eden, Marine Rd. Greystones at 8pm sharp) On May 26th a demonstration by Adrienne Thompson.

Competition "World of Fantasy"

B Red Riding Hood, Grandmothers Basket 60cm
I Cinderella by the lake 70cm
A Beauty Sleeping 70cm
C By the cottage, its Snow White 80cm

Members: A vase of Summer Flowers

Kilmacanogue History Society

Tuesday 5th May Kilmacanogue History Society Antiques Roomshow, presented by Patrick O'Rourke and John Doyle. This is an opportunity to bring along small items for discussion and analysis by one of Wicklow's leading Fine Art Auctioneers. All talks take place at 8.30pm in the Glencormac Inn. Admission is just €3 (€2 for members) and everyone is welcome.