

PARISH INFORMATION NEWSS SHEET

Parish of Newcastle and Newtownmountkennedy With Calary



November 2009

**'They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow
old;
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun and in the morning
We will remember them.'**

Please send any items for inclusion in **Christmas PINS (December `09/January `10)
to:**

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**(Items need to be received by Wednesday 25th November for publication
on Sunday 29th pleeeeee!!)**

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, please don't hesitate to contact us at the numbers above.

Please note that the time of services and events can vary, particularly at festival times! If you loose your copy of PINS remember that service times and events can be checked on the parish website on the 'Calendar of Events'.

Services in November

DATE	CHURCH	TIME	SERVICE	READING
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Sunday 1st:

<i>S.S. & Crèche</i>	Calary	9.30am	M.P.	Rev.21:
	St. Matthew's	10.45am	M.P.	1 - 6
<i>S.S. & Crèche</i>	Newcastle	12 noon	H.C.	John 11: 32 - 44

Sunday 8th:

<i>S.S. & Crèche</i>	Calary	9.30am	Service of	Heb. 9: 24-end
<i>S.S. & Crèche</i>	Newcastle	10.45am	Remembrance	Mark 1: 14-20

Sunday 15th:

	Calary	9.30am	F.S.	Hebrew 10:
	St. Matthew's	10.45am	M.P.	11 - 14
	Newcastle	12 noon	F.S. with Holy Baptism	
	Newcastle	4.00pm	Memorial Service for Robert Stringer	

Sunday 22nd:

<i>S.S. & Crèche</i>	Calary	9.30 am	H.C.	Hebrews 11:
	St. Matthew's	10.45 am	H.C.	1 - 40
<i>S.S. & Crèche</i>	Newcastle	12 noon	M.P.	

Sunday 29th:

<i>S.S. & Crèche</i>	Calary	9.30 am	M.P.	Hebrews 13:
	St. Matthew's	10.45 am	M.P.	9 - 16
<i>S.S. & Crèche</i>	Newcastle	12 noon	M.P.	



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.

Tea & coffee are served in the McLean Room after each service in St. Matthew's. There will be a special collection at the service in Newcastle on Remembrance Sunday 8th November for the Earl Hague Fund (Poppy Appeal). Weekly Envelope Subscribers please note that there is an **extra blue envelope** in the box for that appeal.

Newcastle and Newtownmountkennedy Select Vestry meeting on Wednesday 4th November at 8pm in the McLean Room.

Calary Select Vestry meeting on Thursday 26th November at 8pm in the Church Room

CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL

SATURDAY 28TH NOVEMBER

4 - 7P.M.

This year we are running an outdoor Christmas Festival on the last Saturday in November (some of you will remember that this was our traditional parish Christmas fair date) It will be held in the grounds of St Francis' N.S., and, for this year, the proceeds will go to both the parish and the Parents' Association at the school.

A lot of work has gone into organising the event already and the time has come to ask for help! We need three kinds of assistance - people to man the various stalls and events, the loan of gazebos and outdoor lights for the day, and strong people to put up the tents, gazebos, lights, Christmas Tree, etc. on the morning of the Festival. If you can help in any, or all, of these ways please contact any member of the committee below as soon as possible.



Christmas Tree

Carol Singers

Brass Band

Santa's Grotto

Food Stalls

Bazaar

Tea Rooms

Puppet Show

Raffle

Children's Christmas Crafts

Children's Fancy Dress Competition

And much more.....!



Committee:

Karen Reynolds 087-2866889, Lisa Ward 085 1138312,
Caroline Carter, Clodagh Jennings 086 8558886 and Muriel
Norse 086 8593936.



Bring the family and soak up the magical atmosphere of an old fashioned Christmas with brass band and carol singers.

Come with an empty stomach and treat yourselves from some of the fabulous food stalls - crepes, hot chestnuts, mulled wine, hot chocolate, home made sweets, burgers, Indian food, mince pies and gingerbread men.

Bring home some goodies to savour later from the cake stall or preserves and chutneys.

Start your Christmas shopping from stalls including a local artist and a jewellery maker amongst others or pick from select second hand toys, clothes, gifts and books.

While you shop there is plenty to entertain the children who can visit Santa in his grotto, enter the Fancy Dress competition, watch a puppet show or take part in some Christmas craft sessions.

The Parents' Association will have the new St. Francis' School Cookbook and Christmas cards for sale.

Don't forget to buy a ticket to be in with a chance to win one of the great prizes in the Raffle!

Entrance: Adults €3 Children free





Christmas Dates for your Diary

Date	Event	Time	Venue
November			
Saturday 28th	Christmas Festival	4 - 7 pm	St. Francis' N.S.
December			
Friday 4th to Sunday 6th	Trip to Prague		Prague!
Sunday 6th	Stedfast Brass Band	4.00pm	Newcastle Church
Saturday 12th	Sunday School Party	2 - 4 pm	St. Francis' N.S.
Sunday 13th	Carol Service	7.00pm	St. Matthew's
Thursday 17th	Lunch in Cottage	12.30	Rectory Cottage
Saturday 19th	Carol Service	8.00pm	Calary Church
Sunday 20th	Nativity Play	12 noon	Newcastle Church
Sunday 20th	Hospital Carols	3.00pm	Newcastle Hospital
Monday 21st	Carol Singing	7.30pm	Meet Newcastle Church
Further Dates for 2010!			
Sunday 10th January	Youth Service	5.00pm	Newcastle Church
Sunday June 13th	Confirmation Service	3.30pm	Newcastle Church



Sustentation Envelopes

Parishioners of Newcastle and Newtown will find a sustentation envelope for the 2nd half of 2009 enclosed with this month's PINS. Please return by end of November on the plate in church or to Clodagh Jennings, 66 Seacourt, Newcastle, Co Wicklow.

Calary parishioners who received their envelopes last month please return as soon as possible. Thank you to those who have already done so.

FAMILY NOTICES

Bereavement

We extend our sincere sympathy to Myrtle Roberts on the death of her husband John who passed away on 11th October. John had been unwell for a number of months and was being cared for at Beaumont Hospital. Following a service in Newcastle Parish Church, John's remains were cremated after a short ceremony at Harold's Cross.

Our thoughts and prayers are with Myrtle and John's sisters Rhoda and Janet who live in the parish and his brother Sydney who lives in England.

175th Anniversary of Calary Church

Well done to all who worked so hard and contributed towards the success of the weekend of October 9th to 11th. A record number of paintings were hung for the Art Exhibition due to the increase in size of the Church Room. Thanks to all who supported the Plant and Country Produce Stall and came to the concert on Saturday. The church was full for the harvest on Sunday and as usual all enjoyed the tea supplied afterwards!

Many thanks also to all who supported our fork supper in September especially our friends from Newtown and Newcastle. Although members were down, an enjoyable evening was had by all.

The **Carol Service on Saturday 19th at 8pm** in Calary Church will be a celebration of Christmas with the **Capella Choir** of 30 voices with congregational participation.

Calary Parish Book

Calary celebrated its 175th Anniversary on 22 August 2009. The parish, which was established from parts of four neighbouring parishes (Delgany, Derralossary, Newcastle and Powerscourt) remained as a separate parish until 1940, when it was combined with Newtownmountkennedy and, following that, with Derralossary. Since 1970, it has been united with Newcastle and Newtownmountkennedy.

To celebrate this significant milestone, the book on Calary originally published by Canon Bob Jennings for Calary's 150th Anniversary in 1984, has been updated and republished. The revised book contains copies of the original maps donating the land for the church and in setting up the parish. Recollections from some parishioners of life in the parish during the 1940's and 50's have been included and there are also some excellent photographs of the interior and exterior of the church.

Copies of the book may be purchased by telephoning John Medlycott (01 2818146), Claire Chambers (01 2818187) or Derek Neilson (01 2818118) or by email from derekneilson@eircom.net. The cost of the book, including post and packaging, is €10 within Ireland and €12 overseas.

Harvest Festival

We gave praise to God for the blessings of harvest in beautifully decorated churches in Newcastle and Calary. As usual the ladies provided delicious food on both occasions and

we appreciated the ministry of Bishop Richard Henderson and Rev. Baden Stanley who were our preachers at the services.

Monday Timeout

This group will continue to meet on Monday evenings from 8.00 to 9.15 pm in the McLean Room. This is open to everybody and is a chance to ask questions, chat, study.....! All welcome.

Tuesday Club

The speaker for October was due to come to enlighten us on the services provided by Homelink but, unfortunately, was taken ill at the last moment so we had to fall back on our own resources and, in fact, had an enjoyable meeting exchanging chat and information and looking at photographs of some recent outings.

The speaker has promised to come along to our next gathering on Tuesday, 10th. November and we hope for a good turn-out as this promises to be both interesting and informative especially for those who might like to avail of the help they offer, both on the telephone and in a practical sense.

December 8th. will be the date of our usual Christmas party so start looking out your gift to include in Santa's Sack!

Parent and Toddler Group

Meet every Monday from 10.30am in the Cottage for tea, chat and play. Contact Wendy 086 8478415.

Coffee in the Cottage

Coffee will continue in the cottage every Tuesday from 10.30am. If you have a few minutes to spare you are welcome to join us.

Leisurely Lunches

Lunch in the cottage in October will be on **Thursday 19th** from 12.30. As usual everyone welcome for € a head. If you can let Karen or Clodagh know in advance so much the better.

St. Francis' N. S. Parents Association

The P.A. is pleased to announce that the **Stedfast Band** has agreed to give a Christmas Concert in Newcastle Church on Sunday 6th December at 4.00pm in aid of the school. For those of you who don't know the Stedfast Band is a 20 piece brass band. We are very fortunate to have such a high profile band to play for us and hope that you will encourage all your friends and relations to join with you for what will be a great afternoon's entertainment! Thanks to Peter Lundy for organising this.



**The Stedfast Band at
Leinster House earlier
this year.**

www.stedfast.utvinternet.ie

The new St. Francis' School Cookbook will be launched shortly and will be available from all P.A. committee members and at the Christmas Festival on the 28th November. It would make a great Christmas present!

Dedication of Beautiful Gift

We are deeply indebted to Mrs Essie Murray for a very beautiful and most needed gift, of hand rails leading up the chancel steps in Newcastle Church.

The brass rails were dedicated at the morning service on 11th October to the glory of God and for the use of all those who worship in the church. They were given in memory of Essie's sister Ida and brother in law Herbie.

For this very generous gift we say a big thank you to Essie.

The work was done to perfection by Ed Power, Rector's Churchwarden.

Christmas Family Boxes will be available again this year at the back of St. Matthew's church during the month of November. Non-perishable items please. These donations are very much appreciated and help make a brighter Christmas for deserving families.

Thank you to Marie for organising these boxes every year.



COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD

Newcastle Neighbourhood Watch

A Newcastle Neighbourhood Watch scheme for the Newcastle Community area will be launched on Monday 2nd November at 8.30pm in the Community Centre. For further information please contact Bernie Smith from Newcastle Residents' Association or Garda Gavin Colfer in Newtownmountkennedy Garda Station.

Greystones Active Retirement Association

OUR NEXT GET-TOGETHER WILL BE ON LAST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH 30TH OCTOBER 10-30.AM—20.00 NOON.

SPEAKER; A COMMUNITY GARDA ON ' PERSONAL SAFETY AND SAFETY IN THE HOME. ALL MEMBERS WELCOME TEA AND COFFEE PROVIDED.

OUR AUTUMN OUTING TO THE THEATRE WILL BE TO THE NATIONALCONCERT HALL ON THE 21ST NOVEMBER FOR RATHMINES & RATHGAR MUSICAL SOCIETY PRODUCTION OF "H.M.S. PINAFORE" TICKETS WILL BE ON SALE AFTER THE A.G.M. AND ON WEDNSDAYS FROM 10.30- 11.30 AM THERE AFTER TICKET + COACH -€34.00. COACH LEAVES PARK & RIDE AT 1.00 PM ON THE DAY.

TICKETS FOR -CHRISTMAS PARTY. & RETAIL THERAPY WILL BE ON SALE AFTER THE A.G.M. FOR DETAILS SEE NEWSLETTER.+

OUR NEXT MONTHLY WALK WILL BE ON THURSDAY 5TH NOVEMBER MEET AT THE CAR PARK AT ST. KILLIANS HALL AT 10-30.

Kilmacanogue History Society

On Tuesday 3 November Peter Wyse Jackson will present his lecture on "The use of Wild Plants through the ages"

On Tuesday 1st December local historian Brian White will give his talk on "The Secret life of the Dargle Valley"

All meetings take place in the Glencormac Inn, Kilmacanogue and everyone is welcome. Admission is just 3 Euro - members 2 Euro and annual membership is just 5 Euro.

Greystones Flower Club

Next meeting on November 24th at 8pm in Carraig Eden, Marine Rd., Greystones.