



# PARISH INFORMATION NEW SHEET

*Parish of Newcastle and Newtownmountkennedy  
with Calary*

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Please send any items for inclusion in December PINS to:  
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Please note that times of services and events can vary.

If you lose your copy of PINS check out the parish website:

[www.newcastleparish.org](http://www.newcastleparish.org) [www.newtownmountkennedyparish.org](http://www.newtownmountkennedyparish.org)  
[www.calaryparish.org](http://www.calaryparish.org) and click on 'Calendar of Events'.

## From the Desk of the Rector

Dear Parishioners,

The churches at Newcastle and Calary were beautifully decorated, as usual, for our three Harvest Thanksgiving services and they were all well attended. The services in Newcastle were part of a weekend of celebration. It was a great pleasure to welcome, as our speakers at the Friday service, Rev. Canon Trevor Stevenson and Rev. Fr. Derek Doyle. And on Sunday Michael Croly gave a most challenging and informative talk on the suffering church.

As well as celebrating God's provision in a bountiful harvest we were also celebrating the start of our building project to provide the parish with a new Parish Centre. Canon Bob officially launched the building project at the fair on the Saturday, and after the service on Sunday 2nd Oct. the Misses Edie Wheatley and Connie Valentine demonstrated their skill at using the old-fashioned spade when they, together, dug a symbolic first sod for the new development.

An afternoon of fun was had by those brave enough to attend the Harvest Fair. This was on the Saturday of our Harvest Weekend and was greatly hampered by the heavy rain falling that morning and even though the rain turned to drizzle for most of the afternoon those who attended had lots to entertain them. Karen and her great number of helpers did a splendid job and we hope the weather did not put them off for future occasions.

The service in Calary brought to an end a week of festival in that church. A wonderful week of music and art was enjoyed by many local people and the final piece in the jigsaw of that celebration was the Harvest Thanksgiving Service on Sunday 9th Oct. It was a great privilege to have Archbishop Michael Jackson as the special speaker at Calary.

God Bless,

*William*



## Christmas Box Appeal

It is that time again! As usual there will be boxes in the back of St Matthew's Church for anyone wishing to make contributions of food (non-perishable)

This food will be delivered to deserving families at Christmas by the Rector.



Our thanks to Marie Brassington for organising this each year.

# Clubs and Organisations

## Bowls

Bowls continues every Thursday at 8pm in St Francis School.

## Tuesday Club

Brid, the Public Health Nurse came to talk to us last month about how to avoid falls and generally advise us as to sensible steps to take to keep ourselves fit and active. She amused us all with her questionnaire and used the Rector to demonstrate the best method to get up off the floor should any of us have the misfortune to fall. She seemed to enjoy her visit and especially the tea we provided.

After she left we discussed the proposed trip to Butler's Chocolate Experience and the consensus of opinion was that we should leave Newcastle at noon on **Monday, 7<sup>th</sup> November** in three cars and get there in time to have a light lunch in their café before undertaking the tour. Needless to say, we are hoping to be able to assist the firm should they need tasters! Should anyone who wasn't at the meeting wish to join us, please give Ann a ring on 2812145 and we'll see if we can squeeze you in – first come, first served.

Our customary Christmas Party will be on Tuesday, 13<sup>th</sup> December, to which a warm welcome is extended to all. After that the Committee have decided to close down for some time so there will be no further meetings planned for the New Year.

## Choir

We are delighted to welcome Joseph Bradley as our new Parish organist. Joe is studying music at Trinity College and is also being sponsored by the Parish to do the Archbishop's course in Church Music. We wish him well in his studies and look forward to working with him.

During November the choir will sing Ralph Vaughan William's anthem "Let us now praise famous men" at the Remembrance service on November 13<sup>th</sup> and on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Advent, November 27<sup>th</sup>, will sing "Wake O Wake with tidings thrilling", music by J.S.Bach. *Andy Sleeman*

## Sunday School

The Sunday School Christmas Party will be held this year in Zoom on Friday 16th December. If your child would like to go to the party please register his/her name with a Sunday School leader by 20th November.

## Time Out

Time Out will continue to meet on Tuesdays at 8pm in Rectory Cottage while the McLean Room is being used for other purposes.

## Creche

The crèche held in Rectory Cottage during Sunday service continues during November. All little ones welcome. Julie Bond is now organising the parents' rota for Sundays and new volunteers would be very welcome. You can contact Julie at 087 2378613.

## Parent and Toddler Group

*Welcome to all our new mums and babies on Monday mornings in the cottage.*

The parent and toddler group will be holding a talk on parenting aimed at parents with children from birth to 6 years. The talk is being given by Jane Dare, a public health nurse specialising in parenting. She will introduce a programme known as the incredible years and talk on issues such as sleep, fussy eating and behavioural issues. It will be held in St Francis National School on Tues 22nd November at 8pm. All are welcome and there will be time for tea and chat after the talk. Contact Wendy Lundy 086 8478415.

**Please note: No Parent and Toddler Group on Monday 31st October.**

## Youth Club

The Youth Club dates for November are Fridays 4th. and 18th. Meet at the cottage at 8pm. If you don't get information please text Paul at 085 7871541.

## Table Tennis

It is hoped to restart the table tennis club after Halloween. Apologies for the delay in getting up and running this season, which is due to difficulties in finding a venue. The club is also hoping to fundraise for another table. Information from Garth (087 0619528) or Heather (087 9422172)

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## Coffee

Tea, coffee and chat continue in the cottage every Tuesday from 10.30am.

## Lunch

Lunch this month will be on Thursday 24th from about 12.45 pm in Rectory Cottage. Everyone is welcome but don't forget to book your place with Karen as space can be limited and it is a case of 'first come, first served'..

## Sustentation

Envelopes are enclosed for your contribution to the running of our church and parish services. Everyone's offering, large or small, counts.

## Harvest Fair

Thank you to everyone who helped out at the Harvest Fair. The weather was appalling but the craic was good and the building project was well and truly launched. See your parish centre newsletter for some great photographs.

# CALARY NEWS

## **Anda Jaleo**

Getting the Arts Weekend off to a musical start, Deirdre Moynihan (soprano) and Alec O'Leary (guitar) played in Calary as part of their 6-date nationwide tour. The programme included a collection of traditional Spanish songs "Canciones Espanolas Antiguas" by Federico Garcia Lorca, together with pieces from South America and the Early Music repertoire.

## **Art Exhibition**

The biennial Calary Art Exhibition was launched by Canon Bob Jennings on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> and continued until Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> October. This year, over 65 artists exhibited more than 170 paintings and many of the artists were new to Calary. Over the weekend, a large number of people came to view the paintings, which were hung throughout both the church and the church room. The exhibition was a great success and thanks are due to Gay Nuttall and all her team of helpers for again putting on such a wonderful show.

## **Plant and Country Produce Sale**

This sale took place on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> October and raised a substantial amount in aid of parish funds and Fields of Life. Well done to June Roe for again arranging this sale and thanks to all those who supported and donated to this event.

## **Harvest Thanksgiving**

Calary was delighted to welcome our Archbishop, on his first visit to the church, to give the address at our Harvest Thanksgiving. The singing was led by the Newcastle Choir, with solos from Ben Russell, accompanied by Joseph Bradley, who played so beautifully at the Showcase Piano recital earlier this year. The church was full for the occasion and the congregation was also treated to a fantastic Calary Harvest Tea. Thanks to everyone who supported and to all the performers for making the event so memorable.

## **Sunday School**

Sunday School is back in full swing and we are also happy to include even the youngest children.

## **Table Tennis**

The club is continuing, with juniors between 7pm and 8pm and adults from 8pm each Thursday.

### **Tour to the Holy Land**

We wish William, Ian and all those going to the Holy Land an enjoyable, spiritual and safe journey.

### **Parish Supper**

The Parish Supper is now taking place on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November in the Church Room. Tickets can be booked from Ethni Seymour (2862890) or June Roe (2866030). An enjoyable night is guaranteed.

### **Carol Service**

The Calary Carol Service will take place at 7pm on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> December. Come and join us for a truly enjoyable evening.

### **Roundwood Historical Society**

The Society's 22<sup>nd</sup> annual journal will be launched at 7.45 pm on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> November in Roundwood Parish Centre.

The next event is a talk on Cromwell in Ireland and Wicklow by Micheal O'Siochru of Trinity College at 8.30 on Monday 28 November in Roundwood Old School. All are welcome.



## **NOTICEBOARD**

### **Playground4Newtown**

The group's first meeting was held on Monday 26th September in the Community Centre. The following committee was elected:-

Chairperson: Michael Lane      Secretary: Catherine Hurley

Treasurer: Guy Garrett      Public Relations: Rebecca O'Brien

Facebook/Website: Lisa Coughlan

Fundraisers: Maureen Turner, Tina Gregory, Bernie Power

### **Art Fair**

**Lynn Stringer**, local botanical artist, will be showing her work again this year at the annual Art Fair to be held at the RDS on the 4th, 5th, and 6th of November. She has a number of free passes which she is happy to share. [www.lynnstringer.net](http://www.lynnstringer.net) Mary Duffy, another local artist, will also be exhibiting.

# Children's Page

But a certain Samaritan, as he journeyed, came where he was: and when he saw him, he had compassion on him,

*Luke 10:33*



**COLOURING**

**Q: Who was the straightest man in the Bible?**

**A: Joseph - Pharoah made a ruler out of him!**

# SERVICES IN NOVEMBER

DATE	CHURCH	TIME	SERVICE	READING
<b>Sunday 6th</b>				
SS	Calary	9.30	<b>MP</b>	1 Thess. 4:13-18
	St Matthews	10.45	<b>MP</b>	Matt. 25:1-13
SS	Newcastle	12.00	<b>MP</b>	
<b>Sunday 13th</b>				
SS	Calary	9.30	<b>MP</b>	
SS	Newcastle	11.00	<b>Remembrance Service</b>	
<b>Sunday 20th</b>				
	Calary	9.30	<b>FS</b>	Ep. 1:15-23
	St Matthews	10.45	<b>HC</b>	Matt. 25:31-46
	Newcastle	12.00	<b>FS</b>	
	(With Holy Baptism)			
<b>Sunday 27th Advent Sunday</b>				
SS	Calary	9.30	<b>HC</b>	1 Cor. 1:3-9
	St Matthews	10.45	<b>FS</b>	Mk. 13:24-37
SS	Newcastle	12.00	<b>HC</b>	



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 and chat in the McLean Room. All welcome!

Tea and coffee are served in the McLean Room after each service in St Matthew's.

**Meeting of Select Vestry**  
 Newcastle & Newtownmountkennedy  
 Thursday 24th November at 8pm