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

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From the Rector's Desk

Dear Parishioners,

The changing colours of Autumn remind us that Summer is well over and we are in the fast lane to Christmas. This year has been a very busy one in the life of the parishes but has been an exciting and challenging one. As I write, the scaffolding is being erected against the tower of Calary Church. Work, which will take about a month to complete, begins on the repair of the roof of the tower which has been in an increasing state of deterioration for a number of years. Various events have been organised by the Calary parishioners to raise the necessary funds enabling them complete the job. Their efforts have paid off and the work begins!

The Parish Centre at Newcastle is in a state of increasing busyness. Programmes cater for people from the toddler stage right up to the most senior and for the very, or perhaps not so, energetic a group fitness class is a weekly regular.

Please use PINS to see a full list of events and feel welcome to pop in to any you might be interested in.

We could easily get carried away with the business of building/repairing/running programmes and ensuring people of all ages and tastes have something that interests them within the weekly parish programme. Social events and various activities may be wonderful but we must not lose sight of our main aim and calling as God's family. The shorter catechism in the Presbyterian Church states that 'man's chief end is to glorify God and to enjoy him forever'. How can we glorify God? I think only by doing his will. We can only enjoy doing what someone wants when we have a meaningful relationship with that person.

Our chief aim in each parish must be first to do God's will, to show his love, to be a welcoming community, to sacrifice ourselves for his will and to serve him in the power of his spirit.

May God bless us all that we would be a community hearing him in this needy world.

God Bless,
William

Thank You

The parish's wonderful gesture in presenting me with a beautiful cut glass decanter with a very touching inscription at the official opening of the Parish Centre was very much appreciated. It's been a great pleasure for me, in company with others, to accommodate the upgrading of our super parish into a new era. I shall always treasure your kind gift.

Good Health,
Mervyn

Bishops' Appeal Acting as Conduit for Funds in Battle Against Ebola

During the early days of the outbreak of Ebola, Bishops' Appeal released €5,000 to support the efforts of the Leprosy Mission and local partners in Liberia and Guinea to provide protective equipment for hospital staff responding to the virus. To date, an alarming percentage of the victims have been health workers. A protective suit costs €5.



Bishops' Appeal is now acting as a conduit for funds that will be directed to safeguarding frontline health workers in Liberia, Guinea and Sierra Leone through the provision of protective equipment. Individuals, parishes and dioceses are invited to respond by sending donations to Bishops' Appeal, Church of Ireland House, Rathmines, Dublin 6.

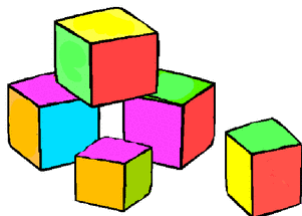
Clubs and Organisations

Junior Choir

The Junior Choir wowed us all again at the Family Service in October. Their rendition of Bach's Jesu Joy of Man's Desiring and Pachelbe's Canon: Sanctus was remarked on by just about everyone there. We're looking forward to hearing what they sing at the Family Service in November.

Creche

The crèche is open during morning services in



Newcastle Church. Drop your pre-schoolers in to the Parish Centre where a rota of parents supervise the little ones while they play with a roomful of toys.

Please support the crèche by volunteering for the rota and by encouraging other parents to use it.

Drama Group

The drama group has begun rehearsals for a production of a play entitled 'A Tinkly Christmas'. This will be staged mid-December, and is a gentle murder/comedy set at Christmas.

Parents and Toddlers

The Parents and Tots group meets on Monday mornings from 10.30am in the Parish Centre. If you have a little one, drop in for play and a chat with tea and toast. No Parents and Tots on Bank Holiday Monday 27th October.

Table Tennis

Table Tennis continues every Monday in the hall at the Parish Centre. Drop in from 8pm to join in. Everyone welcome. Phone Heather at 087-9422172

Time Out

Time Out will meet every first and third Tuesday of the month from 8pm in the sitting room at the Parish Centre. Everyone welcome to come along and join in a time of quiet and prayer.

**Next Meeting
of Select Vestry
Thursday
20th November
at 8pm
in the Parish Centre**

YOUTH CLUB

FRIDAY 7th NOVEMBER
FRIDAY 21st NOVEMBER
8.00—9.30pm

MEET AT THE PARISH CENTRE

Sunday School

Dates for Sunday School in November are 2nd, 23rd and 30th.

Bible Book Club

The Bible Book Club has re-started for Autumn and is meeting on the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month. We are following a course named 'Called To Live' which consists of five sessions examining how Christians can live out their faith. Again it is a very informal group with a lot of laughs, non-judgemental discussions and a glass of wine with some snacks. Everyone very welcome to give it a try! Information from Karen.

Bowls

The bowls club meets every Thursday at 8pm in the hall at the Parish Centre.

Parish Choir

The choir rehearses on Mondays from 8pm. If you would like to join contact Andy Sleeman at 086-1591873

New Clubs

If you have an idea for a new club or group to run in the parish centre, pop in to the parish office for a chat with Karen. Time slots are filling up fast.

Please send any items for inclusion in December PINS to:
information.pins@gmail.com

Items must be received by MONDAY 24th Nov. for publication

CALARY NEWS

Pipers Union

At a sell-out concert in the Church on Saturday 11 October, The Pipers Union, made up of Donal Clancy (guitar), David Power (uilleann pipes) and Ciaran Somers (flute and uilleann pipes) captivated the audience with their wonderful music.

Beforehand, some of the audience had booked for a fork supper, held in the church room. The event was in aid of fundraising for a rehabilitation centre in Mukuru, Nairobi which is run by Sister Mary Killeen, whom Calary has supported for a number of years. Sister Mary's brother Jerry and his wife, Helen, were able to attend and a message from Sister Mary was read out before the concert started.

The concert and supper were run in conjunction with Paula Cullen, a long time supporter of Sister Mary, who, with her husband Frank was leaving to

visit Mukuru two days after the concert. A big thank you to all who helped on the night, to Paula for her assistance in the organising, the Pipers Union who played so beautifully and to the audience who made it such a successful event.

Bell Tower

Renovation work has this week started on the Bell Tower. This may result in some upheaval, but it will be kept to a minimum. An update of how the work is progressing will appear in December's PINS.

Table Tennis

Table tennis will continue each Thursday at 8pm in the Church Room.

Sunday School

Sunday School continues each Sunday except when there is Family Service.

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Memorial Services

4th October

Thomas Edgar Milligan (Pat),
‘Riverhouse’, Church Lane,
Newcastle. Memorial Service and
interment of ashes. We ask for
your continued prayerful support
for Susan, Pat’s wife who is
being cared for in a nursing home.

10th October

Maurice Henry Rodgeron
‘Rivendell’, Old Downs Road,
Delgany. Memorial Service and
interment of ashes. Following an
unexpected death abroad. We offer
our sympathy to Sarah (Sally) his
wife and his daughter Caroline.

Tuesday Coffee

Drop in for coffee or tea in the
sitting room at the Parish Centre on
a Tuesday morning from 10.30am.
Everyone welcome for chat, toast
and a laugh. It’s a good way to
keep in touch with what’s going on
in the parish.

Monthly Lunch

Out lift may not have arrived in the
Parish Centre yet, but we will go
ahead with a lunch in November
anyway using a downstairs area as

a stopgap measure. As usual the
cost will be €10 per head and you
should book ahead with Karen.

Remembrance Sunday

Remembrance Sunday falls on
November 9th this year.. The
service will be held in St
Matthew’s Church in
Newtownmountkenedy and will
have a different format to usual.
Come along and see what William
has planned.

Christmas Outing

It’s hard to believe, but the time
has come to organise what used to
be called the Cottage Christmas
Outing. Suggestions for a new
name welcome!

This year it will take place on
Tuesday 2nd December and will
incorporate the old favourites—
Christmas shopping and afternoon
tea—as well as a festive surprise or
two. As usual everyone will be
brought there and back by minibus
from the Parish Centre.

Cost will be €55 and you should
book with Karen by Friday 7th
November (deposit to hold a place
€25)

Gospel Choir

The Wicklow Gospel Choir will be at the morning service in Newcastle Church on 23rd November. This will be a combined service for Newtownmountkennedy and

Newcastle at 12 noon. Don't miss them—they are always excellent.

Reminder about Sustentation

A gentle reminder to return your sustentation for the second half of the year.

PARISH CENTRE

DAY	MORNING	AFTERNOON	EVENING
Sunday	Sunday School Creche	Drama Group	
Monday	Parents & Tots	After-School	Choir Table Tennis
Tuesday	Coffee	After-School	Time Out Bible Club Keep Fit
Wednesday		After-School Junior Choir	
Thursday	Lunch	After-School	Bowls
Friday		After-School	Youth Club
Saturday			



*Remembrance
Service*

**St Matthew's Church
Newtownmountkennedy**

**Sunday 9th November
at 11am**

**Everyone welcome to
come and join us
for a very interesting
service this year**



FAMILY SERVICE

WITH THE JUNIOR CHOIR

SUNDAY 16th NOVEMBER

12 NOON

NEWCASTLE CHURCH

Children's Page

Kids Bible Wordsearch

Find the words in the grid (up, down, left, right) before reading forward.
Keywords: see clues, carefully, always in a straight line.

Men of the Old
Testament
Puzzle #8

AARON
ABEL
ABRAHAM
ADAM
AMOS
CAIN
DANIEL
DAVID
ELIJAH
EZEKIEL
GIDEON
GOLIATH
ISAAC
JACOB

A	E	D	V	A	D	O	T	J	L	J	M	
M	A	L	R	R	J	P	O	B	A	E	O	Z
D	L	W	I	O	G	L	W	N	C	I	N	N
S	D	E	S	J	E	O	O	B	O	K	A	O
W	A	E	I	I	A	M	L	I	B	E	T	E
D	P	U	N	M	O	H	Q	I	H	Z	H	D
H	P	A	L	L	A	I	I	R	A	E	A	I
Q	D	J	O	B	S	S	K	N	O	T	N	G
N	O	S	M	A	S	S	I	L	N	H	H	X
A	B	R	A	H	A	M	E	L	I	C	C	I
G	U	C	A	A	R	O	N	S	E	I	G	O
A	U	H	S	O	J	Y	O	B	O	B	A	Z
E	M	A	D	A	J	O	N	A	H	M	A	C

JOB
JOEL
JONAH
JONATHAN
JOSEPH
JOSHUA
LOT
MOSES
NIMROD
NOAH
SAMSON
SAMUEL
SAUL
SOLOMON



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COLOUR
IN
THE
CHURCH

SERVICES IN NOVEMBER

DATE	CHURCH	TIME	?	SERVICE	READING
Sunday 2nd	Calary	9.30	WB	MP	<i>Jer. 31:31-34</i> <i>1 John 3:1-3</i>
	St Matthew's	10.45	WB	HC	
	Newcastle SS	12.00	WB	HC	
Sunday 9th	Calary	9.30	WB	MP	<i>Micah 4:1-5</i>
	St Matthew's	11.00	WB	Remembrance	<i>Matt. 5:1-12</i>
Sunday 16th	Calary	9.30	WB	FS	<i>Matt. 25:14-30</i>
	St Matthew's	10.45	WB	MP	
	Newcastle	12.00	WB	FS	
Sunday 23rd	Calary	9.30	MC/WB	HC	<i>Matt. 25:31-46</i>
	Newcastle SS	12.00	WB	Gospel Choir	
Sunday 30th	Calary	9.30	CT	MP	<i>Jer. 33:14-16</i>
	St Matthew's	10.45	CT	MP	<i>1 Thess. 3:9-13</i>
	Newcastle SS	12.00	CT	MP	<i>Luke 21:25-36</i>



**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 in the McLean Room.
All welcome!**