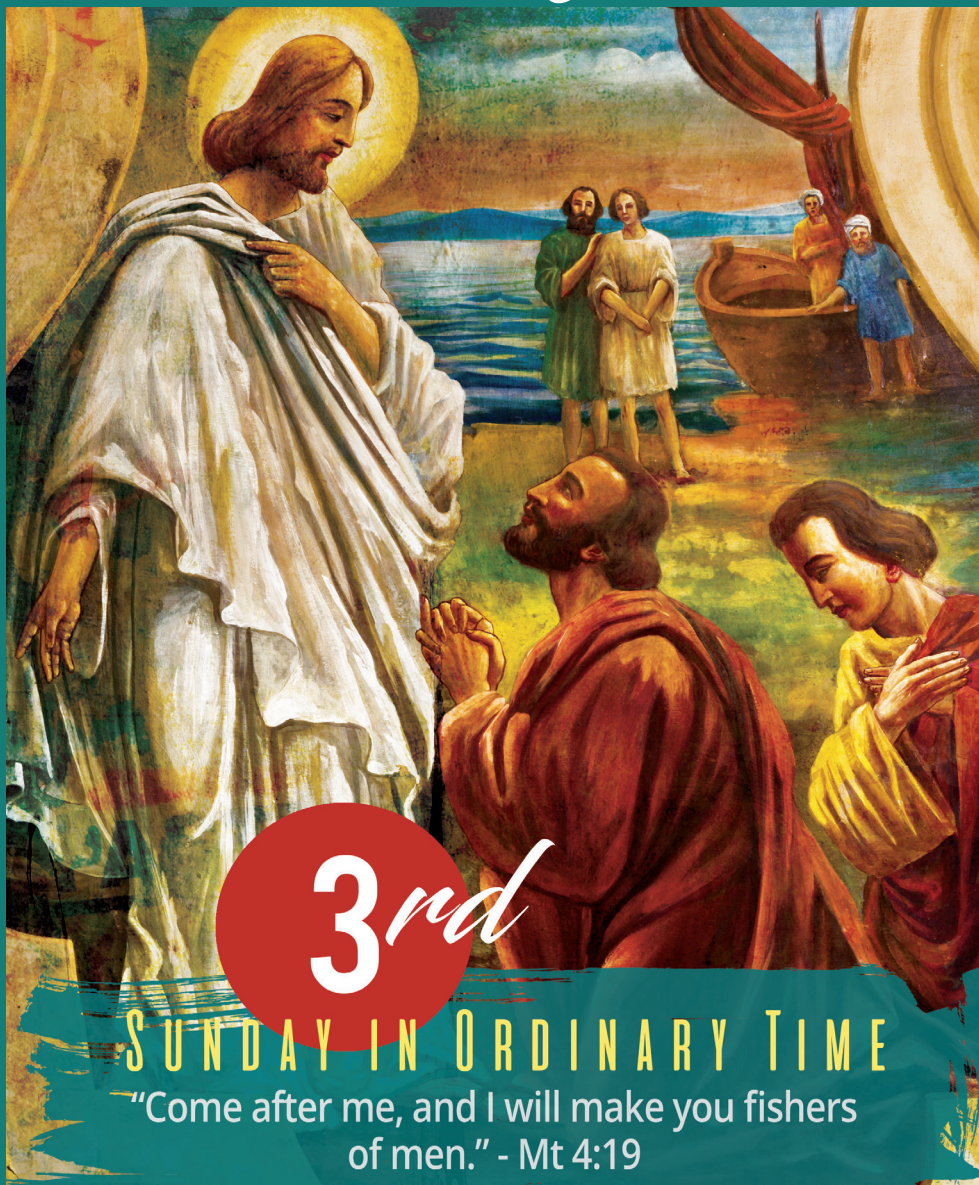




St. Conleth's Parish Newbridge

Sunday
Newsletter



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SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Come after me, and I will make you fishers
of men." - Mt 4:19

Week beginning Sunday, 26th January

Parish Centre, Station Rd, Newbridge - Mon & Fri: 10am-9pm Tues - Thurs: 10am-10pm - Tel: 045 431121

Parish Office - Mon - Fri: 10am-4pm - Tel: 045 431394

Web: www.newbridgeparish.ie Email: parishoffice@newbridgeparish.net

PARISH MASS TIMES

St. Conleth's Parish Church

Saturday: 9.30am & 6pm (Vigil)

Sunday: 8.30am, 11am, 12.30pm, 2pm (Polish Mass) & 7pm.

Weekdays: Monday-Friday 9.30am.

First Friday only Mass at 7.30pm integrating **Peace Healing Mass** followed by **Benediction**.

Holy Days: Masses as on Sunday, **except no 12. 30pm Mass**

Confessions (None during Mass):

Saturday: 10am-11am & after 6pm Mass

First Friday: 9am-9.20am & 7pm before Mass

Parish Church Sacristy: 045 432808

Cill Mhuire Church

Saturday: 7pm (Vigil)

Sunday: 10.30am

Weekdays: Monday-Friday : 10am

Holy Days: 7pm (Vigil) & 10.30am

Confessions (None during Mass):

Saturday: after 7pm Mass

First Friday: 9.30am-9.50am

Cill Mhuire Sacristy: 045 432286

Dominican Church

Saturday: 8am, 10am & 8pm (Vigil)

Sunday: 9.30am, 10.30am, 12noon & 5.30pm

Weekdays: Monday-Friday 7.30am, 10am & 6pm (Evening Prayer at 5.45pm)

Holy Days: 7.30am, 10am, 12noon and 5.30pm.

Confessions (None during Mass):

Saturday: 9.30am - 10am, 10.30am - 12noon and 7.30pm - 8pm.

First Friday: 9.30am-10am, 5.30pm -6pm (No confessions during Mass)

PARISH SERVICES

ACCORD Newbridge

Mon-Fri: 10am-1.30pm

Appointments available:

Mon & Fri: 10am-7.45pm

Tues-Thurs: 10am-8.15pm

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PARISH CONTACTS

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	Rev. Jim Stowe Parish Deacon Tel: 045 431394
Fr. Michael Cudzilo C.C. - Curate's House, Chapel Lane Tel: 045 438036	Sr. Eileen Murphy Parish Sister Tel: 045 431939
Fr. Paul Lawlor O.P. Dominican Community Tel: 045 487200	Margarita Bedding Pastoral Minister & Safeguarding Tel: 087 6107528
Fr. Eugen Dragos Tamas C.C. Curate's House, Chapel Lane Tel: 045 433979	Donal Mahon Parish Administrator Tel: 087 2124515
Fr. Piotr Jakubiak Ballymany Tel: 045 434069	Charlotte Vard Youth Ministry Tel: 087 2582616

Priest on Duty:

Tel: 087 2554908

The relationship between the Risen Lord, the community of believers and sacred Scripture is essential to our identity as Christians.

- Pope Francis

Sunday of the Word of God

26 January 2020

Last September, Pope Francis announced and instituted the Sunday of the Word of God – the Third Sunday of Ordinary Time, which is today, January 26th. It is a day to be devoted to the celebration, study, and spreading of the Word of God. Pope Francis is clear from the very first paragraph of his letter about it that the relationship between the Risen Lord, a community of believers, and sacred Scripture is essential to who we are as Christians.

We often identify the Bible as the Word of God. This is correct, but God speaks to our hearts in many different ways. For instance, he speaks to us in prayer and through our conscience, and often through other people. Hence, the Word of God covers much more than a printed book.

The Bible is the privileged collection of communications between God and his people. These stories and poems have nourished the lives of the people of Israel and the Christian Church right through the centuries, and they continue

to nourish us today. They tell the story of God's love and our salvation from ancient times onwards. The scriptural texts offer us both challenge and encouragement for our lives, and are especially valuable to us through the hope they offer us at dark moments.

The Holy Spirit was at work in the whole process of the formation of the Scriptures. This is why, even though many people across different times and places contributed to the writing, we believe that the Scriptures are divinely inspired. But the Holy Spirit's work does not come to an end with the writing of the text. The Holy Spirit, who dwells in us by virtue of our baptism, is also at work in us as we listen to the text. Therefore, through the Spirit's inspiration, the words of Scripture can become a living Word of the Lord to us here and now.

To mark the occasion, we are having a blessing for all Readers of the Word at each Mass this weekend. All Readers are invited to come to the Mass they usually attend to receive their blessing.

WHAT'S ON IN OUR PARISH



Tickets €25 (includes 3 Course Meal and Band)
available from the Parish Centre) 045 431121.

Please purchase your tickets before Tuesday 28th January.

**If a Group wishes to reserve a table
please inform the Parish Centre Receptionist of same when
purchasing tickets. Raffle on the night for
Newbridge Parish Lourdes Fund.**

Confirmation Retreats:

Retreats for the young people preparing for Confirmation are continuing; we ask that you keep all these young people and their families in prayer at this time.

First Anniversary Mass for Fr John Cummins

Takes place in the Church of the Most Holy Rosary, Abbeyleix on Saturday 1st February at 6pm.

Catholic Schools Week

Sunday, 26th January, marks the beginning of Catholic Schools Week 2020. During this week we aim to celebrate the unique contribution that Catholic schools, both primary and post-primary, make to the mission of the Church in our local faith communities and throughout the wider church. This year's theme is 'Catholic Schools: Living in Harmony with God's Creation'. We will celebrate Catholic Schools Week at Masses next Sunday, February 2nd.

Pantomime

Congratulations to St. Conleth's Pantomime Troupe (1940–2020) who are celebrating 80 years of treading the boards this year. Over the years, countless people have taken part in the annual Panto and many more have enjoyed the performances. It has been a source of much enjoyment in Newbridge and its surrounds. This year's show is Aladdin and no doubt it will be a most enjoyable week. Tickets are available from the Parish Centre.

Parish Envelopes

New boxes of envelopes for your parish contribution will be available in the churches next weekend. If you are participating in the Tax Back Scheme, your envelopes will be delivered to you during the week.

Lions Club Charity Dance:

Every Monday from 9.30pm — 12 midnight in Tougher's Ballroom, Naas Road. Supporting local projects and causes. Adm €10. Music by "Peter Burke."

Lay Dominican Chapter meeting takes place on Wednesday 29th January at 4.00pm in the Dominican College. New members are most welcome.

The Alzheimer Café evening takes place on the last Wednesday (29th January) of every month from 7.00pm to 9.00 pm in the Convent Tea Rooms at McAuley Place, Sallins Road, Naas. (Beside Parish Church).

Social Dancing every Thursday night at Newbridge Town soccer club in aid of Almas & Sr. Muriel's home for the poor. Admission €10. Dancing on Thursday 30th January from 9.30pm to 11.45pm. Music by "Mary Prendergast."

Amadeus Youth Choir:

We meet every Thursday from 7.30pm – 8.30pm in the St. Conleth's Parish Church. 6th Class to 6th years are very welcome. New members always welcome. For more details email: amadeusyouth@newbridgeparish.net

NOTICEBOARD

St. Vincent de Paul, Newbridge would like to thank all who gave to their church door collection last weekend.

"20/20 Vision - Seeing Clearly as a Catholic Today."

Continues this Monday night January 27th in the Parish Centre. Fr. John Harris O.P.'s talk will be "What the Church" (The session will last one hour, beginning at 7.30pm).

**Notices to be sent into Parish Office by
Wednesday at 12.00 noon at the latest**

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Newbridge Parish Share Food:

Food in demand at present includes biscuits, tinned meat, curry sauce, sugar and soup. They can be donated at local churches and at the Parish Centre, Tesco, SuperValu, Dealz and Dunnes Stores. Many thanks to all our donors.

Arthritis Ireland: Beginners Seated Exercise Classes in Newbridge Day Care Centre at 11am sharp every Monday. Admission €5.

Newbridge Walking Group for People with Arthritis:

Meet at Lumville House Car Park on Tuesdays at 10.30am sharp for a walk on the Curragh.

Newbridge Circuit Training for people with Arthritis:

Newbridge Parish Centre on Tuesdays at 7pm led by physiotherapist Meadhbh O Sullivan. Admission €5.

Cake Sale will take place in Patrician Primary school on January 26th from 10am to 2pm for the Stage School's trip to Trabolgan.

GROW Community Mental Health Movement will host a Community Education Programme for four Mondays from 1.30pm - 3.30pm starting Monday 27th January in Tus Nua (beside HSE Eve Harvest Centre), Dublin Road, Kildare Town. The course is entitled "Understanding and Minding Your Mental Health." It is free and all are welcome. It presents aspects of positive mental health. Contact Clodagh 086 606 3184 or email clodagherasmus@grow.ie.

Adoration Chapel: Why not visit our Adoration Chapel attached to the Parish Church (separate entrance on the left hand side of the Church). Take some quiet time in the presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. New visitors are always welcome. The Adoration Chapel is open daily from 10 am to 10 pm.

Study Theology Online. Attend Saturday lectures in Tallaght or from the comfort of your own home. Register now for Spring 2020. For further information email enquiries@prioryinstitute.com

Family Carers Ireland are looking for volunteers to give 1 or 2 hours a week to visit an elderly person in their own home who is experiencing loneliness and isolation. Full training provided.

"A simple gift of time can make a huge difference in a person's life". For more information contact Maggie@ 086 – 0213749 or mlally@familycarers.ie

NOTICEBOARD

Feile Bríde 2020. Friday 31st January, Brigid's Eve Ritual at St. Brigid's Well. A pilgrimage of quiet reflection, song and prayer on the eve of Springtime. Facilitated by Solas Bhride Team. Assemble at Japanese Garden's car park, Kildare at 7.20pm. If you wish, bring a light/lantern and wear suitable clothing and footwear.

Newbridge Library. Do you remember when there was an outdoor swimming pool in Ryston? Or when the Odeon cinema used to be where EuroGiant is on the Main St now? Do you remember the community soccer league matches in Pairc Mhuire? Come chat and reminisce with others who do too! Every Tuesday morning at 10:30am. Tea & Coffee provided. No booking required. For more info call the library on 045 906 130 or email newbridgelib@kildarecoco.

Lost Camera (Fuji Model AA25) dark silver, in the Hotel Keadeen at the Johnny McEvoy Concert. If found please contact the Parish Centre on 045 431121

Trócaire wishes to thank all who donated to their Lenten Appeal in 2019. €249,078.47 was donated by our diocese of Kildare & Leighlin. They are most appreciative of all donations and look forward to our continued support.

Oberammergau 2020

Fr Liam Morgan of Naas parish is leading a group to attend the Passion Play in Oberammergau from August 7th to 14th, 2020. The total cost is €1750 per person sharing a twin room which includes return flights from Dublin to Munich, private transfers, walking tour of Salzburg, five night stay in Kitzbuhel – half board, two night stay in Oberammergau – half board and Category 1 tickets for the Passion Play on Aug 13th. There are a few places available, if interested please contact Tullys Travel, Carlow 059 9136100



Newbridge Parish App Now Available!

It can be downloaded onto your phone from the Google Play Store (Android phones/tablets) or from the App Store (on iPhones/iPads).



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Minimum €10 for 5 draws

€24 for 13 draws

€45 for half year 25 draws (includes 2 FREE draws)

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Gift Cards are available from the Parish Centre

PARISH UPDATES

Ministers of the Word 2nd February 2020

Parish Church

6.00pm: Mary Smith
8.30pm: Anne Doyle
11.00am: Veronica Murphy
12.30pm: James Doodly
7.00pm: Phil James

Cill Mhuire

7.00pm: Sharon O'Carroll
10.30am: George Kennedy

Parish Finances Sunday, 19th January 2020

Development Fund: €3,939.00

Offertory: €2,272.00

Total: €6,211.00

Many thanks to our parishioners for
their continued support

Recently Deceased

Mary O'Domhnaill – Rathfarnham
Anna Morrin née Rainford –
Ladytown

Jim Coney – College Farm &
formerly of Co. Tyrone

*We express our deepest sympathy to their
families. May they rest in peace. Amen*

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Saints of the Week

Monday 27 th	St. Angela Merici
Tuesday 28 th	St. Thomas Aquinas
Thursday 30 th	St. Aidan
Friday 31 st	St. John Bosco
Saturday 1 st	St. Brigid

Newbridge Parish Lotto

Wednesday, 22nd January 2020

Numbers Drawn **03 08 13 18**

No Winner of €10,000 Jackpot

35 Matched 3's shared €1,000

Next week's Jackpot - €11,000

"If you're not in you can't win!"

Tickets can be purchased from various outlets
throughout the town. Tickets are on sale every
day in the Parish Centre and until **12.30pm**
on Wednesday (the day of the draw). **Many**
thanks to all who support the Lotto and
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Thought of the Week

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St. Francis de Sales



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