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***St. Conleth's Parish, Newbridge***

***Sunday Newsletter***

***Sunday 18th March 2018***

***5th Sunday of Lent***

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**Unless a Grain of Wheat shall Fall.....**

Today's Gospel reading is taken from the Gospel of John. The event takes place just after the raising of Lazarus from the dead and Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem. Many more people now believed in Jesus and acclaimed him in Jerusalem. Both these events gave rise to the Jewish authorities plotting to kill Jesus. It is against this backdrop that Jesus predicts his suffering, death and Resurrection and is preparing his disciples to believe in the salvation that his death will accomplish. Using the metaphor of the grain of wheat, Jesus presented the idea that his dying would be beneficial. A grain of wheat must break down in the earth before it can bring forth new life. He also taught that those who would be his disciples must follow his example of sacrifice. This theme will be repeated in John's account of the Last Supper, when Jesus washed the feet of his disciples as an example of how they must serve one another.

Jesus teaches his disciples about the way in which he will be glorified by God and a voice from heaven is heard to affirm this teaching. This voice, like the one heard at Jesus' baptism and at his Transfiguration affirms that God welcomes the sacrifice that Jesus will make on behalf of others. In this Gospel, Jesus teaches that this voice was sent for the sake of those who would believe in him.

In our daily lives, in the work place and above all in our families we are challenged to live out this spirit of self-sacrifice.

Family life is often a balancing act in which we prioritize and attend to a variety of competing needs. We learn the value of putting others' needs ahead of our own. In family life we also learn that when we make personal sacrifices to serve others, we gain so much more than we may have lost.



***Annual Parish Novena to  
Our Lady of Perpetual Help***

begins on Monday April 9th in St. Conleth's Church  
at 7.30pm and continues each Monday night until  
Monday June 4th.

***Bishop Denis Nulty will open the Novena.***

## Mass Times in Newbridge Parish

### 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 12.30 Mass**

#### Confessions:

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

**First Friday:** 9am - 9.20am & 7pm before Mass  
No confessions during 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

**Saturday:** after 7pm Mass

**First Friday:** 9.30am - 9.50am  
(No Confessions during Mass)

**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).

#### Confessions

**Saturday:** 9.30am - 10am, 10.30am - 11.15am,  
7.30pm - 8pm.

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

**Dominican Office:** 045 487200

### **ACCORD, Station Rd, Newbridge**

**Mon - Fri:** 10am - 1.30pm

#### Appointments available:

**Mon & Fri :** 10am - 7.45pm

**Tues - Thurs:** 10am - 8.15pm

**Tel:** 045 431695, **Web:** [www.accord.ie](http://www.accord.ie)

### **Citizens Information Centre, Station Rd, Newbridge**

**Mon - Fri:** 10am - 1pm & 2pm - 4pm

#### Free Legal Advice

3rd Tuesday of the month

**Tel:** (Lo call) 076 107 8300

### **HOPE (D) Counselling Service**

2 Henry St, Newbridge. Phone: 087 151 3535

## Ministers of the Word

### 25th March Palm Sunday

#### Parish Church

**6.00pm:** Sylvia Hickey

**8.30am:** Ronan Maher

**11.00am:** Geraldine Tougher

**12.30pm:** Colette Curtin

**7.00pm:** Billy Murphy

#### Cill Mhuire:

**7.00pm:** Eileen Hall

**10.30am:** Paula Meehan



## *Our Recently Deceased*

**Mary (Patsy) Byrne—Lakeside Park**

**Charlie O'Hara— Pairc Mhuire**

**Bernard Harkin— Paisley, Scotland**

**Joanne Kemmy — Morristown**

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

## Parish Finances Sunday 11th March 2018

Development Fund: € 4,444.00

Offertory: € 2,390.00

Total: € 6,834.00

**Many thanks to all who contributed to the collection last week.**

**Parish Envelopes 2018—**Could the parishioner who has envelope  
**number 12** please contact Marian in the Parish Office on  
045 431394.

## Saints of the Week

**Monday 19th:** St. Joseph, husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary

**Wednesday 21st:** St. Enda, monk

**Saturday 24th:** St. Macartan, bishop

## **Newbridge Parish Lotto**

**Wednesday 14th March**

**01, 17, 23, 32**

**No Jackpot Winner**

**10 Match 3**

**Next weeks Jackpot**

**€ 20,000**



**If you're not in you can't win**

Tickets can be purchased from  
various outlets throughout the town.

Tickets are on sale in the  
**Parish centre until 12.30pm every  
Wednesday, (day of draw). Many  
thanks to all who support the Lotto  
and a special thanks to all our  
promoters.**

## Monday

**Lions Club Charity Dance:** from 9.30pm-12 midnight in Tougher's Ballroom, Naas Road. Supporting local projects and causes as well as international disasters. Music "Dave Lalor". Adm €10

**Newbridge Medjugorje Prayer Group** meet in Cill Mhuire at 8pm ( Except on Bank Holidays)

**Newbridge Community Men's Sheds (NCMS)** meet Mondays at 2pm in the Meeting Room, Curates' House, Chapel Lane. For information contact Fergus on 086 4091712 or Alan on 086 8244591

**Legion of Mary Group Meeting** each Monday at 8pm in the Dominican College. All welcome. For more information on the Legion of Mary see [www.LegionofMary.ie](http://www.LegionofMary.ie)

**Arthritis Ireland** – Beginners Seated Exercise Classes in Newbridge Day Care Centre 11am sharp. **Admission €5.**

**Tai Chi-** with Sile McGivern, I.M.A.C. Coach. Classes in Newbridge Parish Centre from 7.30 – 8.30pm. Further details Sile 087 6799380.

**Newbridge Book Club** meets on the 3rd Monday of every month 7:30-9:30pm. Members rotate hosting Book Club. Hosting member selects book for that month. Contact Eamonn 086 388 5982 for further information.

## Tuesday

**Recovery:** meet at 8.00pm in the Dominican College. Fearful, anxious, depressed, panic attacks etc. If you are experiencing any of these 'Recovery' offers you a way out.

**Grow Mental Health Support:** meets in the Parish Centre from 7.30pm – 9.30pm.

**Naomh Bríd Ladies Club:** meet 8pm – 10pm in the Parish Centre. New members always welcome.

**Newbridge Walking Group for People with Arthritis:** meet at Lumville House Car Park at 10.30am sharp for a walk on the Curragh.

**Social Dancing** every Tuesday Night in Sarsfield's Clubhouse, Newbridge in aid of **Almas and Sr. Muriel's** home for the poor. Dancing next Tuesday night to "Adrian Ryan" Adm €7. **9.30pm- 11.45pm.**

**Newbridge Citizens Information Centre** provides a **Free Legal Information Service** on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month from 7.30pm – 9.00pm in Room 5, Parish Centre, Newbridge.

## Wednesday

**Cancer Support Group** meets from 11.00am – 1.00pm in Ryston Sports & Social Club.

**Mothers' Prayer Group:** meet at 8.00pm in the Meeting Room beside the Curates' House, Chapel Lane, Newbridge.

**Aqua Exercise** for people with arthritis from 2pm to 3pm in the Gables Swimming Pool, Newbridge. **Adm €5.**

**Newbridge Local History Group: "Life and times of a Georgian Street: Henrietta Street"**. Eamonn Fitzsimons spent his life lecturing students in the intricacies of physics. But he has had a lifelong interest in various aspects of history, and in this illustrated talk he will take us on a virtual tour of Dublin's most iconic Georgian street, Henrietta Street beside the Kings' Inns. All are welcome to our talks, and this one will start at **8pm in Ryston on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> March.** Our website, [www.newbridgehistory.org](http://www.newbridgehistory.org) has all details and much more local history for you to read.

## Friday

**Intercession for Priests** with the usual directed prayer before the Blessed Sacrament in the Adoration Chapel, St. Conleth's Church after the 9.30am Mass .

**Amadeus** is a Catholic youth group for those between the ages of 12 - 15 years. Every Friday from 7.00pm - 8:30pm in the Parish Centre. All young people welcome.

**Fresh Homemade Baking** takes place in the Parish Centre every Friday (*except the last Friday of every month*) from 10.45am to 1.15pm. Breads, Cakes, apple tarts, buns, jams, marmalades etc. are all available.

**Easter Coffee Morning:** The residents of Eyre Powell will join us for coffee and a chat in the Parish Centre at 11am today. All are welcome.

### **A Family Prayer**

We pray for our children wherever they may be, asking Jesus, Mary and Joseph to watch over and guard them throughout their lives and that the faith we have passed on to them may sustain them through all that life will put before them. **Amen.**



### *Thought for the week:*

The joyful heart sees and reads the world with a sense of freedom and graciousness.

*John O'Donohue*

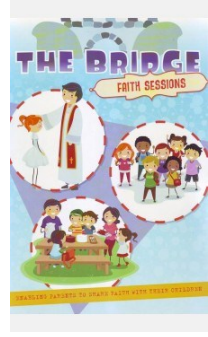
**Jesus is inviting you today** to come to Him with all your worries and burdens and He will refresh and console you. We have a lovely Adoration Chapel attached to the Parish Church (separate entrance on the left hand side of the Church). Adoration Chapel open daily from 10 am to 10 pm. For more information please contact: **Anne 087 2361708 or Noel 085 2552346.**

**Newbridge Parish Share Food:** Many thanks for the generous food donations last weekend, they were greatly needed after the heavy demand for food parcels during the recent wintry conditions. Please keep your generosity, especially during the remaining weeks of Lent. Items in particular demand at present are biscuits, soup, jam, tinned meat and tinned fruit. As well as weekend Mass, food can also be donated during the week at the Parish Centre, Tesco, SuperValu and Dunne's Stores.


 **Holy Hour will take place from 3pm to 4 pm each Sunday of Lent in the Dominican Church. All are most welcome.**

**Found:** Set of keys. Contact the Parish Office on 045 431394 for more details.

**Bridge 7 for First Holy Communion**



We invite all the children who are preparing for their First Holy Communion to Mass on March 24th and 25th. Bridge 7 will be available to be collected at this Mass



**GARDA SÍOCHÁNA**  
RETIRED MEMBERS ASSOCIATION

*Coffee Morning*  
*Everyone Welcome*

**Fundraising coffee morning in aid of Kildare suicide bereavement support group hosted by GSRMA Naas Branch**

**Venue:** Ryston Sports Club Newbridge  
**Date:** Thursday 22nd March 2018  
**Time:** 10.30am  
**Raffle on the day, ticket sales go to charity**

**USEFUL Websites, Emails & Helpful Numbers**  
**Diocesan Website:** [www.kandle.ie](http://www.kandle.ie)  
**iCatholic Player Website:** [www.icatholic.ie](http://www.icatholic.ie)  
**Samaritans:** [jo@samaritans.org](mailto:jo@samaritans.org)  
**24 hour confidential line free to call 116 123.**

**Newsletter — Items for publishing to be received by 12 noon Wednesday.**



**The World Meeting of Families comes to Ireland 21st to 26th August 2018.**  
 Learn more at [www.worldmeeting2018.ie/hostafamily](http://www.worldmeeting2018.ie/hostafamily). Email us at [hosting-team@worldmeeting2018.ie](mailto:hosting-team@worldmeeting2018.ie) or call us on

**Let's Talk Family - A Programme For Lent**

In preparation for the World Meeting of Families, August 2018, our Parish will host the second session of reflection and discussion on the family before Easter. Pope Francis' document "The Joy of Love" will be the basis of this session.


**Venue** = Parish Centre. **Date** = Wed Mar 21st. Session: 7.30pm to 9pm.



[www.worldmeeting2018.ie](http://www.worldmeeting2018.ie)

**Congratulations** to all who were confirmed over the last 2 weeks in our parish. We pray God's blessing on them and on their families

*Charity Dance*  
At  
*Toughers Ballroom, Naas*



On Thursday 29th March, Music by Liam Mannering, Dancing: 9.30—12.00. In Aid of Kildare Branch of Spina Bifida. **ADM €8.00**

**Pilgrimage Information**

**Kildare & Leighlin Pilgrimage to Lourdes 16th July 2018**  
 Bishop Denis Nulty will lead the Kildare & Leighlin Diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes in July. The pilgrimage will take place for **five nights from 16th July**. The diocese is inviting parishes in Kildare and Leighlin to join with the **Diocesan pilgrimage** which will have a dedicated assisted section for the sick. **Father Paddy Byrne** is the director of the pilgrimage. The cost will be €739 per person. For details please contact the **Parish Office 045 431394**

**PARISHES OF NEWBRIDGE, CARAGH & ALLEN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 22nd September 2018**  
 5 NIGHTS HOTEL AGENA PONT-VIEUX **€744.00p.p.**  
**Price includes:-** Transfers Newbridge/Dublin Airport/ Newbridge. Return Flights Transfers Lourdes Airport/ Hotel/Lourdes Airport, Comprehensive Travel Insurance All Airport Taxes. **Not included:-** Single room supplement €155.00. **Contact Newbridge Travel on 045 449522.**