



St. Conleth's Parish Newbridge

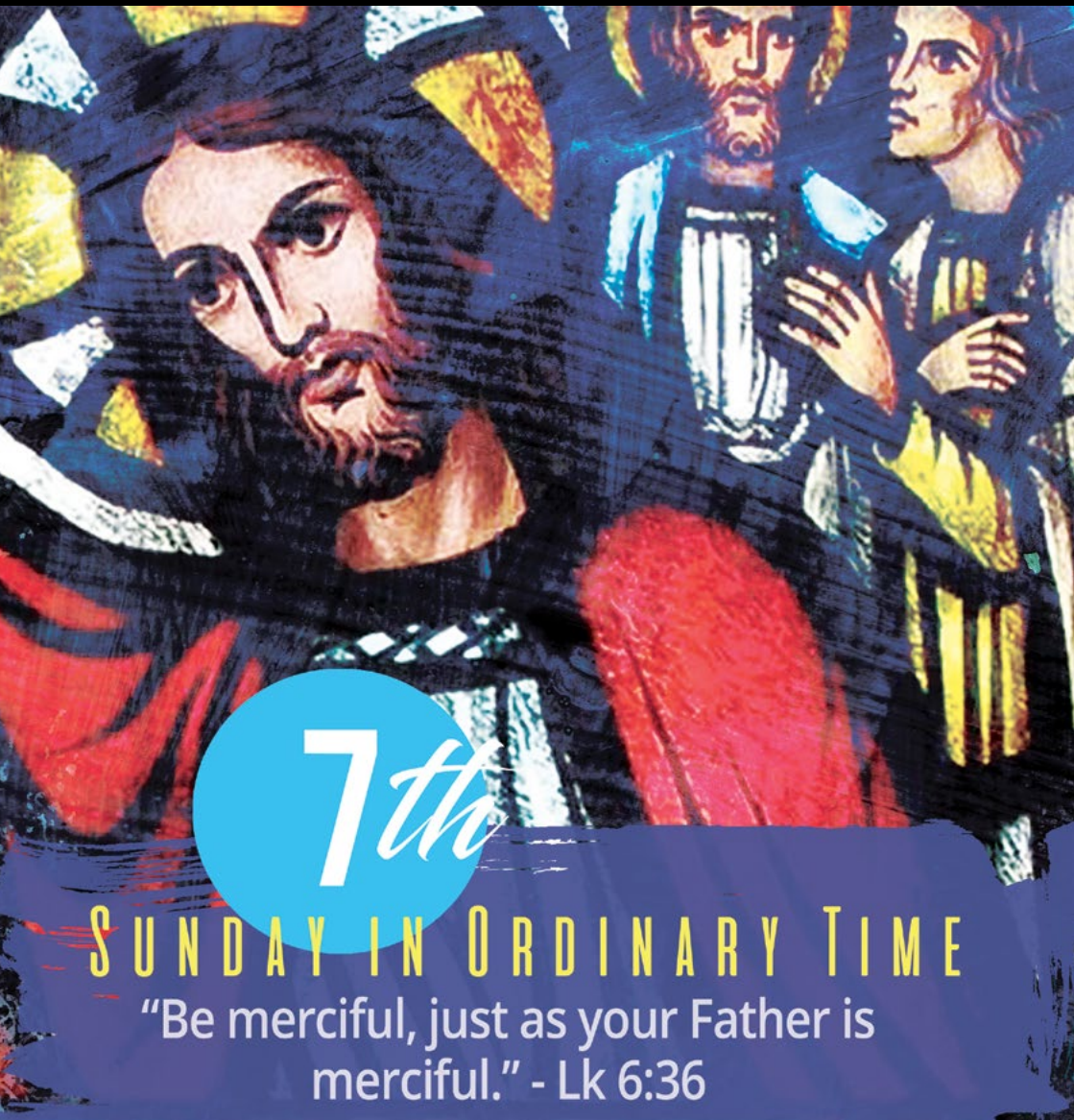
Sunday
Newsletter

Week beginning Sunday, 24th February - Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

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7th

SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful." - Lk 6:36

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

Tel: 045 431695 **Web:** www.accord.ie

Useful Websites, Emails & Helpful Numbers

Diocesan Website: www.kandle.ie

iCatholic Player Website:

www.icatholic.ie

HOPE (D) Counselling Service:

2 Henry St, Newbridge.

Phone: 087 151 3535

Samaritans: jo@samaritans.org

24 hour confidential line free to call 116 123.

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7th Sunday in Ordinary Time Unlimited Love....

This Sunday, Jesus continues his challenging Sermon on the Plain. "Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you. Give to everyone who asks of you, and from the one who takes what is yours do not demand it back." Words like these are challenging! Many of us have grown up in a culture of independence and retaliation against those who harm us. Today's Gospel reminds us that the way of the world is not necessarily the way of the disciple.

Our human condition leads us to want to retaliate when someone hurts us or wrongs us. It can be a struggle to overcome the feelings of bitterness and revenge that rise within us. Resentment can smoulder for a long time. But Jesus puts before us a particular way of behaving. He says 'Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you.' It can be easy enough to give to a friend or to someone from whom we can expect a return. If we only love those who love us, we are not doing anything exceptional. 'Even sinners do as much' according to Jesus.

Much more difficult is giving to someone we don't like, or to someone we consider the 'enemy' or to someone from whom there will be no return. Yet this is the ideal that Jesus puts before us. He tells us to 'be compassionate as your Father is compassionate.' We know that God's love and compassion are unlimited. This attitude of compassion to all must be at the heart of all our decision-making.

The more we open our hearts to others, the more we open ourselves to God's love and blessing.

As Christians, we are called to imitate God. We follow a God who loves not only His closest friends, but who loves betrayers, deniers, and crucifiers. The Christian walk is one of perseverance and sacrifice. What does your love look like?

7TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Monday 25th February

Lions Club Charity Dance: From 9.30pm — 12 midnight in Tougher's Ballroom, Naas Road. Supporting local projects and causes. Music tonight by "**Teddy & Cathal Barry.**"

Newbridge Medjugorje Prayer Group: Takes place each Monday night (except on bank holidays) at 8pm in Cill Mhuire.

Newbridge Community Men's Sheds (NCMS): Meet every Monday 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: Meet each Monday at 8pm in the Dominican College. All welcome. For information on the Legion of Mary visit our website: www.LegionofMary.ie

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

Tai Chi Classes: From 7pm – 8pm. in Newbridge Parish Centre. To book a place contact Sile McGivern, I.M.A.C. Coach on 087 6799380.

Tuesday 26th February

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

Grow Mental Health Support: Meet every Tuesday in the Parish Centre from 7.30pm – 9.30pm.

Naomh Brid 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.

Newbridge Chamber Choir: If you wish to sing mostly 'a cappella' choral music we may have a place for you. We rehearse every two weeks; next rehearsal is tonight. If interested please call 087 2499927 or contact us through the website www.newbridgechamberchoir.com

Wednesday 27th February

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

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

Lay Dominican Chapter: Meeting today at 4.00pm in the Dominican College. All are welcome.

The Alzheimer Café Evening takes place on the last Wednesday of every month

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from 7.00pm to 9.00pm in the Convent Tea Rooms at McAuley Place, Sallins Road, Naas. (Beside Parish Church).

Naas Toastmasters Club: Meeting at 8.00pm in NaasTownhouse Hotel. Guests welcome.

Thursday 28th February

Social Dancing in aid of Almas & Sr. Muriel's Home for the Poor takes place every Thursday Night in Newbridge Town Football Club, Station Road from 9.30pm – 11.45pm. Admission is €10. Music by **"Misty Blue."**

Amadeus Youth Choir: We practice every Thursday night from 7.00pm – 8.30pm in the Holy Family Convent. Age group 12yrs to 17yrs. New members always welcome. For more details email: amadeusyouth@newbridgeparish.net

Friday 1st March

First Friday: Peace Healing Mass will take place at 7.30pm in St. Conleth's Parish Church.

Night Adoration: Will continue until 12 midnight only. The Chapel will reopen again on Saturday morning at 7.30am to continue Adoration until 9.30am Mass.

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.

Homemade Baking: Takes place every Friday (except the last Friday of every month) from 10.45am to 1.15pm. All homemade produce including breads, cakes, apple tarts, buns, jams, marmalades etc. are available.

Dunmurry Springs Day Centre Alzheimer Society of Ireland. Social Club every Friday in Newbridge Parish Centre from 11am – 1pm. Members family & friends are welcome. Refreshments provided. Contact Samantha on 086 1450663 or email: Samantha.whelan@alzheimer.ie

Amadeus Youth Group: "Run by young people for young people." We meet every Friday in Newbridge Parish Centre 7.00pm – 8.30pm. Age group 12yrs to 17yrs. New members always welcome. For more details email: amadeusyouth@newbridgeparish.net

Saturday 2nd March

Marian Movement Group: Meet 1st Saturday of the month at 4.30pm in the Dominican Oratory. Rosary and Mass. All are welcome.

Filipino Mass takes place at 4pm on 1st Saturday of the month in Cill Mhuire.

Sunday 3rd March

Bridge Masses for 1st Communion children takes place March 2nd & 3rd.

Taize Mass takes place in St. Conleth's Church tonight at 7.00p.m. All are welcome to join in this candlelit, peaceful, contemplative time of chant and prayer.

NOTICEBOARD

Newbridge Parish Share Food

There was a huge demand for food parcels this week. Many thanks for your kindness which enables us to help so many people. Food can be donated at local **Churches and at the Parish Centre, Dealz, Tesco, Dunnes Stores and SuperValu**. All kinds of in-date non-perishable food is welcome.

Kildare & Leighlin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2019

Bishop Denis Nulty will lead the **Kildare & Leighlin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes in August**. The Pilgrimage will take place for **5 nights from 1st August**. 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 €759 per person. For details please contact the **Parish Office 045 431394**.

Adoration Chapel

We have a lovely Adoration Chapel attached to the Parish Church (separate entrance on the left hand side of the Church). Why not spend some time talking with Jesus about any life issues today? Adoration Chapel open daily from 10am to 10pm. Thank you to all those who have visited the chapel. Visitors are welcome at any time but in particular Wednesday between 12pm and 2pm.

Newbridge College Fashion Show

Newbridge College is hosting a Fashion Show on Friday 8th March at 1pm in the Keadeen Hotel in aid of Mustard Seed Communities Ireland. Tickets cost €65 including a 4 course lunch with prosecco reception. Raffle will also take place. To book tickets email: mustardseedfashionshow@gmail.com

Relay for Life 2019

Relay for Life 2019 all systems go for Punchestown July 6th & 7th. Register your team now with Sharon on 087 6590480.

St. Vincent de Paul Newbridge

St. Vincent de Paul Newbridge would like to thank all who gave to their Church Door Collection last weekend.

Jumbo Table Quiz

on Wednesday 6th March at 8pm in Ryston Social Club. Table of 4 €40. Supporting June Fest 2019.

NOTICEBOARD

CE Scheme Vacancy

2 Care Assistant Positions in Dunmurry Springs Day Care Centre Alzheimer Society of Ireland. 19.5 Hours per week.

Duties: Helping Alzheimer Society staff with the care of service users. Eligibility to participate on CE is generally linked to those who are 21 years or over. Applicants must also be in receipt of a Social Welfare payment for 1 year or more. To apply please contact Monasterevin Parish CE Scheme 045 525143.

Towards Peace

Towards Peace is a service offering spiritual support to those who have experienced abuse perpetrated by Church personnel, individually or institutionally. The vision of Towards Peace is to provide a safe supportive space for people and their families, whose spiritual life has been damaged by abuse. It is also a response to the continually growing understanding of the spiritual impact of the trauma of abuse. Towards Peace provides spiritual support through one-to-one spiritual direction sessions, with a qualified spiritual companion. If you have been abused and would like a space to reflect on the impact of the trauma of abuse on your own relationship with God and spirituality, Towards Peace is here for you.

www.towardspeace.ie Tel: 01 505 3028. Mobile: 086 7710533

Up to twelve sessions are available and there is no fee.

Diocesan Adoration Committee

invite you to a day of prayer held in Mount Saint Anne's Retreat and Conference Centre, Killenard, Co. Laois on Saturday 9th March 2019 beginning at 9:45am. This is a follow up to our prayer day held in Portlaoise Parish Centre last year. Refreshments served. All are welcome.



Notices to be sent into Parish Office by
Wednesday at 2.00pm
at the latest

PARISH UPDATES

Ministers of the Word Sun, 3rd March

Parish Church

6.00pm: Mary Smyth
8.30am: Seamus Wilson
11.00am: Ian Hennessy
12.30pm: Sinead Buckley
7.00pm: Noel Smyth

Cill Mhuire

7.00pm: Catherine Swan
10.30am: Paula Meehan

Parish Finances Sun, 17th Feb

Development Fund: € 3,956.00

Offertory: € 2,135.00

Total: € 6,091.00

Standing Orders for January: € 2,342.93

Many thanks to everyone who contributes to our collections.

Our recently deceased

Anthony Lennon, Morristown

Florence Lynch, Ballymany Park

Doris Browne (nee O'Donnell) formerly of the Barracks who died in Dublin.

Margaret (Bobbie) Murphy nee Nolan, "Avillon", Newbridge

Margaret (Madge) O'Reilly – Pairc Mhuire

Liz Barry (nee) Sexton – formerly Eyre Street who died in England

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



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Saints of the Week

Friday 1st March: St David

Thought of the Week

"THE MORE I REFLECT
ON THE GRACES I HAVE
RECEIVED, THE MORE
THEY ASTONISH ME."

—ST. ROSE PHILIPPINE DUCHESNE



Newbridge Parish Lotto

Wed, 20th Feb - Numbers Drawn

20 25 27 29

No Winner of €18,000 Jackpot

3 shared €1,000

Next week's Jackpot - €19,000

"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 special thanks to all our promoters.**



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