

Our Lady's Pastoral Unit
(Ardagh/Carrickerry, Mahoonagh, Monagea and Newcastle West)
Second Sunday of Lent – February 28th & March 1st 2026

Masses for the coming week:

	9.00	9.30	10.00	10.30	11.00	12.00	6.00	6.30	7.30
Mon 2nd	FH	ARD	NCW						MG
Tues 3rd	CM	CK	NCW						
Wed 4th		MG	NCW						
Thurs 5th	FH	CK	NCW						
Fri 6th			NCW					ARD	NCW/CM
Sat 7th			NCW				NCW	ARD	CM
Sun 8th	NCW		MG	CK	FH	NCW			

There will be an evening mass at 7.30pm in Castlemahon on Friday, March 6th instead of the morning mass. There will be morning mass in Newcastle West on Friday mornings during Lent at 10.00am.

Mass Intentions

Newcastle West	Castlemahon - Friday 6th 7.30pm Tom Butler (Month's Mind) Saturday 7th 7.30pm Sean & Nancy Kirwan Feohanagh - Sunday 8th 11.00am Jack & Bridie & Jim & Kathleen Ouaid
Tuesday 3rd 10am Katie & Mike Culhane & Vera Riedy Thursday 5th 10am Anne McElligott, son John and deceased members of the Lane family Saturday 7th 10am Anne Normoyle 6pm David Curtin/Breda O'Flaherty Sunday 8th 9am Michael, Kathleen and Michael Jnr McGowan 12noon Jacqui Callaghan	Ardagh Saturday 6.30pm Carrickerry Sunday 10.30am
	Monagea Monday 2nd 7.30pm David & Mary Ita Shanahan Sunday 8th 10am Eileen Brouder

Confessions:- will be heard in Newcastle West church - on Saturdays 10.30am to 11.30am and 2.00pm to 3.00pm.

Eucharistic Adoration - Newcastle West Church:- on Fridays from 12 noon to 7.15pm.

Stations of the Cross:- takes place every Thursday at 7pm during Lent in Newcastle West church. All are welcome.

Prayerful Remembrance:- please remember in your prayers John Joe Cahill (Ardagh) and Dan Mullane (Newcastle West) whose funerals took place recently. May they Rest In Peace.

Sacristans Collection- Mahoonagh and Monagea Parishes:- this collection will be taken up this weekend (February 28th & March 1st). You will find an envelope in your box of envelopes for this purpose. Please tick the name of the church in the case of Mahoonagh Parish. If you do not use the envelope system please put your donation in an envelope marked 'Sacristan' and name of church. Thank you.

Baptisms :- to book contact Trish or Carol on 069-61816.

Trócaire – Lent 2026:- the Trócaire Lenten Campaign began on Ash Wednesday. Trócaire boxes are available at all churches in our Pastoral Unit. Please try to get all the family to donate – even the children! **Have you collected your box?**

Lectio Divina:- (reflecting on the Gospel of the following Sunday) continues in the Parish Centre, Newcastle West on Monday evenings from 8.00 to 9.00pm. All welcome.

Come and See Inspirations:- now online and West Limerick 102fm each Sunday at 9am and 11pm. Text 087 4668950 or email comeandseeinspirations@gmail.com This week Jane Mellett from Trócaire shares with us the work of Trócaire.

'Come away and Rest awhile' Mark 6:31:- Christian Meditation continues on Thursdays at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre, Newcastle West.

Mary's Food Aid to Kenya:- thanks for your ongoing support of 'Mary's Food Aid to Kenya'. Through your generous donations €10,187.00 was raised over the past year for this project for those in need of food.

Pre-Easter Retreat:- The usual Pre-Easter Retreat will be led by Fr. Frank Duhig in preparation for Easter in the Community Centre in Monagea on Saturday, March 28th (11am-4pm). Contact the Parish Office to book your place at 069-61816.

Afternoon Tea Dancing in Monagea Hall:- Dancing from 3.00pm to 6.00pm with music by Eddie Lee on this Sunday, March 1st 2026. Please come along for a great afternoon of music, chat and dancing. All welcome.

Baptised and Sent

"The Hebrew word 'Messiah' means 'anointed one'. It is translated as 'Christos' in Greek. Christ means 'anointed one' and Christians are the 'anointed ones' who share in the messianic mission of Christ. Through the power of the Holy Spirit, we who are reborn in the waters of baptism are anointed to proclaim the kingdom of God. The anointing 'Christifies' those who receive it as it bestows the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Anointing with oil is a very ancient and important ritual in the Judeo-Christian tradition. The Jews anointed three categories of people: priests, prophets and kings. **Christians**, by contrast, anoint everyone in baptism.

Baptism gives all a shared, differentiated, responsibility for the life and mission of the Church, and calls baptized and ordained to work together. All baptized members of the Church participate together in the prophetic or teaching office, in the priestly or sanctifying office, and in the kingly or governing office of Christ.

This participation in the threefold mission of Christ is not delegated from the ordained ministry but 'finds its source in the anointing of baptism, its further development in confirmation and its realization in the Holy Eucharist'." (Intercom)

Parish Contact Numbers

Fr. Frank O'Dea 087-2443106	Fr. Tom Crawford 087-2218078
Fr. Raphael Okanumeh 087-9490083	Fr. Frank Duhig 087-6380299
Fr. Joe Cussen 087-7810960	Fr. Muiris O'Connor 086-6075628

Parish Office 069-61816

Sacristy 087-9826601

Email:- newparish@yahoo.co.uk or ardaghcarrickerryoffice@gmail.com

Priest on Duty (emergency cover- Area)

Sunday, March 1st: Fr. Willie Russell 087-2272825

Monday (March 2nd) to Friday (March 6th) incl: Fr. Raphael Okanumeh 087-9490083