

Our Lady's Pastoral Unit - (Ardagh/Carrickerry, Mahoonagh, Monagea and Newcastle West)

Second Sunday of Easter –April 11th & 12th 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 13th	FH	ARD	NCW						MG
Tues 14th	CM	CK	NCW						
Wed 15th		MG	NCW						
Thurs 16th	FH	CK	NCW						
Fri 17th	CM							ARD	NCW
Sat 18th			NCW				NCW	CK	CM
Sun 19th	NCW		MG	ARD	FH	NCW			

Mass Intentions

Newcastle West
Monday 13th 10.00am For the people of the Pastoral Unit
Wednesday 15th 10am Michéal & Catherine O'Leary
Saturday 18th 10am Mary O'Sullivan (Month's Mind) **6pm** Pat Massey (First Anniversary)
Sunday 12th 9am Nellie Hannan, Elaine Cahill & Fr. Joe Kennedy **12noon** Mary Jo & Charlie Coughlan

Carrickerry Ardagh
Saturday 6.30pm Sunday 10.30am

Mahoonagh
Castlemahon Saturday 18th 7.30pm
 Bobby Kelly (First Anniversary)/Mary, Mike & Pat O'Brien

Feohanagh Sunday 19th 11.00am Mary Murphy

Monagea
Monday 13th 7.30pm Jim & Eileen Kennedy

Sunday 19th 10.00am Jack Cotter (First Anniversary)/Niamh Herlihy

Come and See Inspirations:- www.comeandseeinspirations.buzzsprout.com: -is a locally produced podcast. Text 087 4668850 or email comeandseeinspirations@gmail.com.

'Mary's Food Aid to Kenya':-Thanks for your ongoing support of 'Mary's Food Aid to Kenya'

Lectio Divina:- resumes on April 13th at the Parish Centre, Newcastle West (8pm-9pm).

Milford Hospice:-Church Gate collection in Newcastle West - weekend (April 11th/12th).

Pastoral Unit Office:- The office will re-open on Wednesday, April 15th at 10.30am.

Dates for your Diary:- fundraising Concert in aid of the Limerick Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage featuring Holy Trinity Abbey Choir and Guests on Friday, April 24th at 8pm. Tickets available from Adare Parish Office 061-396172/Limerick Diocesan Office 061-350000 or Newcastle West Office on 069-61816.

Limerick Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock:- Bishop Brendan Leahy will lead a Limerick Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine on Saturday, July 11th 2026.

Baptised and Sent

In Baptism Christians first encounter the mystery of reconciliation and the forgiveness of personal and original sin. The sad fact is that Christians do sin even after they have passed through the waters of rebirth. That is something we acknowledge in the penitential act at the beginning of every Mass.

Believers are constantly challenged to configure their lives to the person of Christ, to encounter again and again the saving power of God's healing love. Pope Francis said: 'the Sacrament of Penance is like a 'second baptism' ... The day of our Baptism is the point of departure for a journey towards God that lasts a lifetime, a journey of conversion that is continually sustained by the Sacrament of Penance ... When we go to confession, we go to ask the pardon of Jesus, but we also go to renew our Baptism through his forgiveness. And this is beautiful, it is like celebrating the day of Baptism in every Confession'.

The need for healing, reconciliation, and the rebuilding of trust has a personal and communal dimension, particularly in light of so many scandals related to abuse. The baptised have the privilege to know and the duty to extend reconciliation, to recognise mistakes, and to rebuild trust.

An Easter Thought

Pope Francis encouraged us to welcome the Risen Christ into our lives as a friend, with trust and confidence: 'If up till now you have kept Him at a distance, step forward. He will receive you with open arms. If you have been indifferent, take a risk. You won't be disappointed. If following Him seems difficult, don't be afraid, trust Him, be confident that He is close to you, He is with you and He will give you the peace you are looking for, and the strength to live as He would have you do'.

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Sunday, April 12th: Fr. Raphael Okanumeh 087-9490083

Monday (April 13th) to Friday (April 17th) Fr. Frank O'Dea 087-2443106

Confessions:- will be heard in Newcastle West church on Saturdays 10.30am to 11.30am and .00pm to 3.00pm.

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

Prayerful Remembrance:- please remember in your prayers –Sean Geoghegan (Newcastle West) whose funeral took place recently. May he Rest In Peace.

Baptisms :- take place at the following times in the Pastoral Unit:

nd Saturday of each month – **Ardagh** – 3.30pm

rd Saturday of each month – **Carrickerry** – 3.30pm

nd Saturday of each month- **Feohanagh** – 3.30pm

th Saturday of each month – **Castlemahon** – 3.30pm

st Saturday of each month - **Monagea** – 3.30pm

Every Saturday– Newcastle West – 4.30pm/ Every Sunday–Newcastle West at 1pm.

please contact the Parish Office at 069-61816.

Prócaire:- please return your box/contribution to the churches or to the Parish Office.

Mass Time Changes:- Ardagh/Carrickerry Parish:- mass times are as follows; Saturday, Carrickerry at 6.30pm and Sunday, Ardagh at 10.30am.