

Cong Cross The Neale Parish Newsletter

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Mass Intentions for the week

Church of the Sacred Heart, Cross

Saturday December 9th at 6.30pm

James (Anniv) & Annie Foy

Thursday December 14th @ 9.30am

Special Intention

Saturday December 16th at 6.30pm

Mick & Peggy Varley (Anniv)

Donal Lenihan (16th Anniv)

St. John the Baptist Church, The Neale

Sunday December 10th at 9.30am

Paddy & Phil Greaney

Margaret & Martin Joyce & Sheila & Louise Joyce

Tom & Una Lynagh

Wednesday December 13th @ 9.30am

Special Intention

Sunday December 17th at 9.30am

P.J. O'Haire (1st Anniv)

Patrick & Annie Biggins & their son Mattie (Anniv)

Agnes, John & Tom Shaughnessy & dec family

members (Nealepark)

Ellen & Tom Kennedy & Grandson Kevin Kennedy

(16th Anniv)

All Masses from the Neale Church are broadcast on Parish Radio 95FM

Gluten Free Hosts are available in our three Churches at Mass Times.

People can come forward and consume the Host themselves from the Ciborium which is on a table on the right hand side as you approach the altar.

St. Mary of the Rosary Church, Cong

Sunday December 10th @ 11am

Tom & Helen Ryan (Anniv)

Katie Gibbons (25th Anniv) & her husband John

Justin Holian & Mike Lydon

Micheal Ryan & his parents Sean & Mae Ryan

Paddy, Mary & John McManus

Michael Casey & Henry Byrne

Tuesday December 12th @ 7pm

Novena Mass to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Rosary on Wednesdays at 7pm . All welcome

Sunday December 17th @ 11am

George Conroy & Liam Beirne

Michael & Ellen Ansbro & dec family Ahalard

Michael & Mary Kearney & dec family members

Jim & Delia Dunleavy

Andy Brown, Drumshiel (Anniv)

Brian Morrin & Seamus Lydon

Weekly Collection

Last weekend's collection amounted to a total of €1330. Many thanks for your continued generosity to our three churches.

Zambian Housing Project

A total of €20 was lodged to the account this week

Remember in your prayers:

John Moriarity, formerly of Ashford, Cong who died last weekend in Harrow, London, John's funeral will take place in the U.K. on December 21st.

Rita Walsh, (nee Cosgrove), Castlebar & formerly of Ahalard, Cong, Rita's funeral took place recently in Castlebar.

May their souls Rest in Peace.

Parish Notice Board

Christmas Arrangements & Mass Times

Penitential Service for Christmas at all Masses in the Parish next weekend of 16th/17th of December (3rd Sunday of Advent)

Communion Calls for Christmas on Tuesday 19th December, if you would like Fr. Declan to call to you, please contact him or the Parish Office before the 19th of December.

Christmas Mass Times

Because Christmas Eve falls on a Sunday this year there will be no 9.30am Mass in the Neale or an 11am Mass in Cong on Christmas Eve.

Christmas Eve; Neale Church at 5pm and in Cross Church at 6.30pm.

Christmas Day; Neale Church at 9.30am and in Cong Church at 11am

Annual St. Stephen's Day Walk will take place on Tuesday December 26th, assembling at The Crossroads at 11.30am, walk begins at 12 Noon. Donations on the day to The Crossroads Community Centre

Neale GAA Lotto Results

The Neale GAA Club Lotto was held in Danagher's on Tuesday night. The numbers drawn were: 3,9,16 & 23. There was no Jackpot winner. In the Gold Members Draw, the lucky winners were Ciarán Ryan and Paraic Maye NY each winning €30. The lucky dip offline winner of €25 was Sinéad Waters. The online winner of €25 was Anne Conroy. Comhghairdeas mór to all winners. Next week's draw will be held on Tuesday 12th Dec in Mellotte's, The Neale with a jackpot of €2,700 to be won. Many thanks for your continued support. Tickets may be purchased at the local shops, scan the QR code or online at www.smartlotto.ie/the-neale

Young at Heart & Cong Social Club Christmas party will take place in The Lodge at Ashford on **Thursday December 14th at 4pm.** Spot prizes welcome.

Cross Senior Citizens Party on January 21st 2024

Important Notice

Please note Holy Communion will only be given in the hand and not on the tongue.

St. Vincent De Paul Annual Appeal

Envelopes will be handed out after all Masses in the Parish this weekend of 9th/10th of Dec for our Annual Collection. Fr. Declan has kindly agreed that the envelopes can be returned with the weekly Church collection envelopes. There will also be a box in the Credit Union in Ballinrobe. Thanks for your continued support. All funds raised are spent locally.



Carol Service

Carol Service at St Mary's COI on Sunday, 17 December at 4 pm. All are welcome to attend

Glór na Róba Choir are holding their Christmas Charity Concert on Sunday 17th December at 7pm in St Mary's Church, Ballinrobe. The charity chosen this year, is Hugh's House. It's our first concert since 2019 & we are hoping to make it the most magical one yet. All are welcome.



Sound Bath Relaxation Session in the Crossroads Community Centre on Dec 14th @ 5.45pm, lasts for 75mins, bring yoga mat and pillows as it's a lying down session. Call Kasia on 085 1386529 for information & to book. Booking is essential.

Neale N.S. Enrolment

The Neale N.S. is now accepting enrolment applications for JI 2024. Application forms are available from the office or the school website and please return the forms to the school by the 18th of December.

Job Vacancy in Cong N.S.

Part-time Secretarial position Monday to Friday in Cong N.S. The times are 8:45 am to 12:45pm - (4 hours daily or 20 hours per week). For further information contact the school on 0949546725 or Email; secretary@congns.ie

GAA Walkway

The temperature in the evenings may be dropping a little, but you can still wrap up and take a walk on the GAA newly lit walkway. Lights come on from 6.30pm to 10pm each evening. For health and safety please remember no dogs and no bicycles allowed on the walkway