Cong Cross The Neale Parish Newsletter

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Mass Intentions for the week

Church of the Sacred Heart, Cross

Saturday March 15th at 6.30pm
Karen Mullahy (21st Anniv)
Luke & Delia O'Malley
Walter Morrin (Anniv) & his wife Bridie
John & Mary Doherty
Patrick & Mary Cosgrove

St.Patrick's Day Monday March 17th at 8.30am
Intentions of the People of the Parish

Thursday March 20th at 7.30am
Special Intention

Saturday March 22nd at 6.30pm
Patrick O'Grady (5th Anniv)

St. John the Baptist Church, The Neale

Sunday March 16th at 9.30am
Maggie & Lily O'Brien

St.Patrick's Day Monday March 17th at 9.30am
Intentions of the People of the Parish

Wednesday March 19th at 7.30am
Special Intention

Sunday March 23rd at 9.30am
Tommy Kelly, (12th Anniv)
Mary & Pat Farragher
Thomas & Mary Warde, Muckerasaune
Mary Holleran & Margaret Walsh

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 March 16th at 11am
Tom Devereux (3rd Anniv)
Mary Casey (nee Gibbons) & her children Ann, Jeanie & Brian
Paddy Gibbons (Anniv) & his wife Josie
Kathleen & Tommy Lydon & Pauline Bonner
Agnes, Jim & John Holian & dec of the Holian & Maguire Families
Olive, Stephen & May Lydon
Tom (Anniv) & Tess Fitzgerald
John & Margaret O'Malley

St.Patrick's Day Monday March 17th at 11am
Intentions of the People of the Parish

Tuesday March 18th at 7pm
Novena Mass to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Friday March 21st at 7.30am
Special Intention

Sunday March 23rd at 11am
Patsy Huddy, Months Mind
Ray McHugh (Anniv)
Mattie & Eileen Joyce, Blakehill
Margaret Waldron, Cross East

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Weekly Offertory Collection
Many thanks to all who donate so generously to the weekly offertory collections, which goes towards the upkeep of the three Churches in the parish. A total of €1,660 was lodged to the parish account this week.

Zambian Housing Project
A total of €53.50 was lodged to the account this week. Many thanks for your continued support to the project.

Remember in your prayers:
Mary Banford, (nee Varley) U.K. & formerly of Drumshiel lower, Cong, whose died recently in the U.K.
May her soul Rest in Peace.

Parish Notice Board

Daily Mass for Lent
Many thanks to all who have taken up the challenge of attending daily Mass for Lent. It's uplifting to see such great numbers in attendance!
Our Lenten Masses are continuing this coming week. The Mass times are as follows:
***No Monday evening Mass in the Neale on Monday March 17th**
Tuesday evening at 7pm in Cong.
Wednesday morning at 7.30am in the Neale.
Thursday morning at 7.30am in Cross
Friday morning at 7.30am in Cong .

St. Patrick's Day Mass Times
There will be three Masses on St. Patrick's Day. Mass will be offered for the Intentions of the People of the Parish.
8.30am in Cross, 9.30am in The Neale & 11am in Cong.

Parish Pilgrimage to Lourdes and Biarritz
Our Parish pilgrimage to Lourdes and Biarritz is nearly fully booked out. **There are just 3 places remaining.** The pilgrimage will take place on 29th April to 6th May. Accompanied by Fr. Declan Carroll. Cost: €1225 pps Posters and Flyers are in the porches of the three Churches with full details. Booking is done directly with Marian Pilgrimages on 01-8788159 or email info@marian.ie

Upcoming Diocesan Pilgrimages
Tuam Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock, Sunday, May 4th 2025. Ceremonies commence at 2.30 p.m.
Tuam and Killala Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes, led by Archbishop Francis Duffy, August 29th to Sept 4th, 6 nights. Contact 01 2410800 for details and booking.

Bible Study Course
Fr. Benny McHale will conduct a four night programme on volume 2 of Luke's New Testament writing the Acts of the Apostles, which will be read during the Easter season. No previous knowledge is required & Bibles will be provided. The course takes place on Wednesday 19th March, 26th March, 2nd April & 9th April from7:30pm to 9.30pm in The Prayer Centre at Knock Shrine. Places are limited. For bookings, contact Nicola Mitchell at Knock Shrine. Tel 094 93 88100 or email nicolamitchell@knockshrine.ie

Máméan Pilgrimage - Lá Fhéile Pádraig
The St. Patrick's Day Mass scheduled for Máméan has, for health and safety reasons been transferred to Kilmilkin Church at 10am on St. Patrick's Day.
Beidh fáilte roimh chách.

Something Fishy - Pub Quiz' on Friday 21st of March, At Lydon's Lodge Hotel Cong commencing at 8.30pm. Entry fee is: €10 per person, €40 per table of four. Raffle with lots of spot prizes on the night. If you are interested in booking a table, contact Lydon's Lodge on 094-9545053 or Dorrie Gibbons - (087) 9383185. The Quiz is being held to help raise funds for three local anglers , Dorrie Gibbons, Cong, Tommy Carroll, Westport & Pauric Walsh, Cornamona who will be representing Ireland at the Irish Senior International Fly-Fishing Team which will be fished on Rutland Water England on the 16th of May 2025. We wish them the very best of luck in the competition!

Neale GAA Lotto Results
The Neale GAA Club Lotto took place in Mellotte's on Tuesday night.
The numbers drawn were: 07, 10, 22, 23. There was no Jackpot winner. Gold Members Draw: The lucky winners of €30 each were:• Irene McKenzie and Enda Maye. Lucky Dip Winners: • Offline Winner (€25): Raymond Ward• Online Winner (€25): David McKenzie. Next week's draw will be on Tuesday, 18th March in Ryans with a jackpot of €9,300 to be won!
Your support is greatly appreciated.

The "Other Abbey Players" Present
"Better late than Never" by Jimmy Keary on March 21st & 22nd in The Crossroads Community Centre. Doors open at 7pm, the drama starts at 8pm. Tickets are €15 and are available on the door. Unreserved seating on both nights.

'NOW is the time to BLOSSOM'.
Gentle Yoga & Self Care Classes with Denise Hogan. New terms starting in Cong - Tuesday Mornings 10am-11.30am. 8th April - 10th June (no classes 15th & 22nd April - Easter Break) . Suitable for all levels, shapes & sizes. Learn to relax and stretch with breath work, self care exercises and yoga postures. No experience necessary. See www.denisehogan.ie or call/text: 087 6731199.'

Fundraising 25 Card Games
Cong social/retirement club and Young at Heart Christmas party are holding a fundraising Card Game at The Crossroads on Tuesday 25th March at 8.30pm. A great night to be had. Please support and All are welcome

The Neale LGFA Junior Ladies are having a 25 Card Drive Fundraiser on Sunday March 23rd at 7.30pm, in The Neale Hall. Tickets available on the night or from junior players/ management. All tickets sold are entered into a draw for Sunday Lunch for Two at The Lodge at Ashford. All support greatly appreciated.