Cong Cross The Neale Parish Newsletter

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Mass Intentions for the week

Church of the Sacred Heart, Cross

Saturday April 12th at 6.30pm
Johnny Doherty (7th Anniv)

Holy Saturday April 19th at 6.30pm
The Easter Vigil
Intentions of the People of the Parish
Blessing of Easter Candle and Easter Holy Water

St. John the Baptist Church, The Neale

Sunday April 13th at 9.30am
Roger Keane & his parents Margaret & Michael
Kathleen Heneghan (20th Anniv) & dec members of the Duddy Family, Ballywalter
Mary Moran (Anniv) & her parents Katie & Michael Browne

Monday April 14th at 7pm
Special Intention

Wednesday April 16th at 7.30am
Special Intention

Good Friday at 7pm
Stations of the Cross/Veneration of the Cross & Holy Communion

Easter Sunday 20th April at 9.30am
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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 April 13th at 11am
Bridie Kelly (1st Anniv)
Michael (Anniv) & Mamie McGrath & their Grand-son Aidan Golden.
Peter Cosgrove (10th Anniv) & dec of the Flannery & Cosgrove Families
Mae & Sean Ryan & their Grandson Henry Byrne
Paddy Spellman & his sister Kay Spellman

Tuesday April 15th at 7pm
Novena Mass to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7pm **Renewal Ceremony and Blessing of Eucharistic Ministers.**
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament until 8.30pm.

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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 €1,525 was lodged to the parish account this week.

Zambian Housing Project
A total of €43.50 was lodged to the account this week. Many thanks for your continued support to the project.

P.T.A.A. Afternoon of Prayer
Connaught Pioneers are having an afternoon of Prayer in the Adoration Chapel in Knock this Sunday Palm Sunday from 3pm to 6pm. All are welcome.

Parish Notice Board

Palm Sunday & Holy Week Ceremonies

This Sunday April 13th is Palm Sunday, Blessing of Palms will take place at all Masses next weekend.
A Penitential Service will be held at all Masses in the Parish this weekend in preparation for Easter.

Easter Ceremonies

Holy Thursday; Mass of the Lord's Supper in Cong Church at 7pm, followed by adoration.
Good Friday; Stations of the Cross & Veneration of the Cross at 7pm in The Neale Church.
Holy Saturday; Vigil & Blessing of Easter Candle & Holy Water in Cross Church at 6.30pm
Easter Sunday; 9.30am The Neale Church
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Chrism Mass
Archbishop Francis will celebrate the annual Chrism Mass in the Cathedral on Wednesday, 16 April 2025 at 6.00 p.m.

Easter Communion Calls
Fr. Declan will be doing the Easter Communion calls on **Wednesday next, April 16th**
if you would like Fr. Declan to call to your home please contact the Parish Office or Fr. Declan.

Invitation to all Eucharistic Ministers

All those who serve as Eucharistic Ministers in the three areas of the Parish are invited to attend the Holy Thursday Ceremony to renew their commitment to their ministry and to receive a blessing.
Invitation for New Eucharistic Ministers
This is also a time where we invite those who would like to become a Eucharistic Minister o make contact with the Parish Office or talk to Fr. Declan before Holy Thursday. Any new Eucharistic Ministers will be commissioned at the Holy Thursday ceremony

Trocaire Lenten Appeal
It's almost time to return the Trocaire Boxes, you can bring them to the Holy Thursday Ceremony or any of the Easter Masses or return them to Cong P.O.

Lourdes Petition Box
A Lourdes petition box will be placed in the three Churches from Holy Thursday — Easter Sunday. All those who wish to have a special intention remembered and prayed for during the Parish pilgrimage to Lourdes can put their intentions into the box. Slips of paper will be provided. The intentions will be placed in a sealed envelope and will be brought to Lourdes. The envelope will be placed on the altar there during our Pilgrimage Masses.

Don't miss the Cong N.S. Parents Assoc Easter 50/50 Draw
Help support our local school by taking part in the **Easter 50/50 Draw** – with **3 fantastic prizes** up for grabs:
1st Prize: 50% Jackpot **plus a huge Easter Egg**
2nd Prize: A delicious **Food Hamper** sponsored by *Bia at Home*
3rd Prize: A beautiful **Beauty Gift Set**
The draw takes place on **Wednesday, April 16th**.
Get your tickets now at lottoraiser.ie/CongNS or from the **local post office**.

Tea, Coffee & Scones

For all who have being attending the Lenten Masses, a get-together for Tea & Scones as an appreciation from Fr. Declan will take place in Danagher's Hotel on Tuesday evening next April 15th after the 7pm Mass in Cong.

Neale GAA Lotto Results
The Neale GAA Club Lotto took place in Danagher's on Tuesday night. The numbers drawn were: 19, 22, 23 & 31. There was no Jackpot winner.
In the Gold Members Draw:
The lucky winners of €30 each were Stephen Morrin & Eoin Hughes.
Lucky Dip Winners: Offline Winner of €25 was J.J.Walsh & Online Winner of €25 was Donie O'Sullivan. Next week's draw is on Tuesday, April 15th in Ryan's with a jackpot of €9,700 to be won! Your support is greatly appreciated.

Cong Moytura Heritage Society
Spring Talks Series 2025
Exploring the Water Health of Lough Corrib. ATalk By Environmental Campaigner John Gibbons at 8:00 pm, Thursday, 24th of April in The Crossroads, All are welcome.
Refreshments will be served.
Donations towards the work of the Heritage Society appreciated.

Mayo Ploughing Championship
Mayo Ploughing Championship is on Sunday 13th April . This year it will be held on Carras Farms eircode H54 TW94 . Ploughing starts at 12 noon , gates open from 8 am. Lots to see , trade stands , sheep dog trials , dog show , live music by Breakfree. Bouncy castles and attractions for children also.

Recent Baptism

We recently welcomed into the Christian community;
Ashling Nicole O'Connor, daughter of Gerard O'Connor & Sharon Naughton.
Congratulations to all and wishing them a life filled with blessings and love.