Cong Cross The Neale Parish Newsletter

Email ;congcrossneale@gmail.com
Parish Website Address; **congcrossnealeparish.com**
Fr. Declan Carroll Phone; 094 9546030
Marie Molloy in Parish Office Tues-Fri 11am—2pm

Mass Intentions for the week

Church of the Sacred Heart, Cross

Saturday May 24th at 6.30pm
Larry O'Dea, (1st Anniv)

Thursday May 29th at 9.30am
Special Intention

Saturday May 31st at 6.30pm
Mattie Joe McDermott (Months Mind)

St. John the Baptist Church, The Neale

Sunday May 25th at 9.30am
Sean Higgins (1st Anniv)
Gerard O'Halloran, The Neale (Anniv)
Nancy & Mattie Heskin, Ballyrourke

Wednesday May 28th at 9.30am
Special Intention

Sunday June 1st at 9.30am
Tom Walsh Months Mind
Alan Morley
Mary & Patrick O'Malley
Seamus, Martin & Áine O'Malley

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 May 25th at 11am
Dan Shaughnessy (Anniv)
Tom & Sean Murphy & dec family members
Brendan & Sal Kelly (Anniv)
Patrick Noonan (15th Anniv) & his infant daughter
Helen Noonan (Funshona)

Tuesday May 27th at 7pm
Novena Mass to Our Lady of Perpetual Help
Michael & Madeline Monaghan

Sunday June 1st at 11am
Mary Thornton (4th Anniv) & her husband Frank

———————————————————————

Weekly Church Collection
Many thanks for all who donate so generously to the weekly Church Collection, which goes towards the upkeep and maintenance of our three Churches. A total of €2,535 was lodged to the Parish account this week. This included the Diocesan Family Services collection.

Zambian Housing Project
A total of €56 was lodged to the account this week. Many thanks for your continued support to the project.

Remember in your prayers:

Cathy Heskin, Ballyglass, The Neale,
whose funeral took place in The Neale on Saturday, also,
Freda Dempsey, (nee Feeney)
Manchester & formally of Cross who died recently.
We extend our sympathy to the family and friends of the deceased.
May their souls Rest in Peace.
Amen.

Parish Notice Board

Cemetery Mass Week
Cemetery week will take place this year in August, beginning on **Monday August 11th with Mass in Ballaholla Cemetery at 7pm, Tuesday August 12th , Lisloughrey at 7pm Wednesday August 13th, Kilmalora at 7pm Thursday August 14th, Kilfraughan at 7pm Friday August 15th, Feast of the Assumption Mass in Cross East Cemetery at 3pm Saturday August 16th, Billypark at 6.30pm Sunday August 17th The Neale Cemetery at 9.30am & Cong Abbey Cemetery at 11am. Monday August 18th at 7pm Tobar Naoinín Cemetery.** The Cemetery Mass will replace the weekend Masses and the week-day Masses in the relevant Churches.

Good Luck to our Exam Students
As the Leaving and Junior Cert exams are drawing closer, we remember and pray in a special way for all the Exam Students in our Parish. Prayer cards for the students are available in the three Churches.

A Student's Prayer
Lord, pour out your Spirit of wisdom on me. Help me to remain calm throughout my exams. Help me to attend carefully to the questions asked. To think clearly, to remember accurately, and to express myself well in my answers. Grant that I may reflect the best of the work I have done, and the best of the teaching I have received. Give me a sharp sense of under standing, and a retentive memory, and the ability to grasp things correctly. Accept my best efforts in these exams, and in all that I do throughout my life. Send your Spirit of discernment upon me now, to guide and direct me in what I think, and write, and speak. Thank you Lord, for your presence in my life, as I make this prayer in your name. Amen.

Trocaire
Many thanks to all who contributed so generously to the Trocaire Collection, the money has now been sent to those in need. The final figure from the Parish here was €3,170.

Illumination ", a Sacred Opus by Kathy Fahey will be performed by the Vocalessence Ladies Choir and Mayo Concert Orchestra with guests Andrew Gavin, Tenor, and Anne Marie Gibbons, Mezzo-Soprano in St Mary's Church Westport next Friday, 30th May at 8pm. Proceeds in aid of Holy Trinity Church Westport Restoration. Tickets on Eventbrite.

First Communion Mass at Knock Shrine
All first communion children and their families are invited to a special Mass of celebration on Sunday June 1st at 12 noon in the Basilica, Knock. The children are welcome to wear their communion clothes and will actively participate in the Mass, making it a happy and memorable family occasion.

The Children's House Montessori
The Children's House Montessori Playschool is taking enrolments for the academic year September 2025 to June 2026. **The Free Pre-School year is o**pen to children who were born between 1st January 2020 - 31st December 2022 inclusive.T he Children's House Montessori School provides a Play Based Curriculum guided by the principles of Aistear, Montessori and Malaguzzi. *Please call :* **Caroline : 087 386 4766**. .

Cong Tidy Towns– Pride of Place
Cong Tidy Towns recently made an application to Mayo Co. Co. and were successful in being nominated in the in the 0-300 population category.
Mayo Co. Co. are organising a meeting with us and all relevant groups within the Cong community to discuss the next stages of the competition e.g. judges visit, awards etc . This meeting will take place in Ryan's Hotel on Wednesday Evening next at 7pm, with officials of Mayo Co.Co. present to inform us of what is involved and required by August 7th of this year.

Neale GAA Lotto Results
The numbers drawn this week were: 2, 5, 22 & 26
There was no Jackpot Winner Next week's Jackpot stands at €10,300.
Congratulations to our winners:
Gold Members Winners: €30 – Paul Higgins €30 – Sean McGahon. Offline Winner: €25 – Kieran Monaghan Online Winner: €25 – David McKenzie. Next Lotto Draw: Tuesday, 27th May at Lydon's Lodge, Cong Tickets available from: Cong Post Office, Ryan's Hotel, Lydon's Lodge, Danagher's, Melotte's, Midway Stores, and O'Malley's Cross. Many thanks for supporting the Neale GAA Lotto!

Friends of Darragh"
'Friends of Darragh' 7a-side tournament will be held on Saturday 31st May in Cong at 12pm. All donations raised goes directly to the KBRT. (Kevin Bell Repatriation Trust)

Neale Heritage and Development Association 2025 Join us on Thursday, 29th at 7:15 PM to celebrate the summer season and plant some vibrant flowers together.
All are welcome especially families with children—it's a great way to get involved in the community and enjoy the outdoors. Light refreshments will be served at the local community hall from 7:45 PM. We hope to see you there!

Exploring the Woodlands of Cong Talk
27th May, 2025 - 7:00pm at The Crossroads Community Centre
Join us for an informative and inspiring evening as we explore the rich woodland heritage of the Cong area. Discover: History and ecology of local woodlands How woodlands benefit nature, climate, and community. Hometree's work in habitat restoration and conservation, How you can get involved in protecting and restoring native woodlands All are welcome – tea, coffee, and chats provided