Cong Cross The Neale Parish Newsletter

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Mass Intentions for the week

Church of the Sacred Heart, Cross

Saturday December 6th at 6.30pm
Carmel Walsh (3rd Anniv)
Eithne Howley & Luke & Delia O'Malley
Tommy Shaughnessy (22nd Anniv) & his wife Nellie
Peter & Catherine Maye

Thursday December 11th at 9.30am
Special Intention

Saturday December 13th at 6.30pm
Martin Noone Months Mind
Bosco Morrin Months Mind
Mick & Peggy Varley
Mike & Tess Byrnes

St. John the Baptist Church, The Neale

Sunday December 7th at 9.30am
James & Catherine Farragher
Margaret, Paddy & Michael Joyce

Monday December 8th at 7pm
Feast of the Immaculate Conception

Wednesday December 10th at 9.30am
Special Intention

Sunday December 14th at 9.30am
Tom O'Brien & his son Tommy (Anniv)
Paddy & Phil Greaney
Agnes, John, Tom Shaughnessy & dec family members (Nealepark)
Michael O'Connor & dec family members, Caherobert

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

Gluten Free Hosts are available in our three Churches. People can come forward and consume the Host themselves. A Ciborium will be left on a table at the front of the

St. Mary of the Rosary Church, Cong

Sunday December 7th at 11am
Jerry Coakley Months Mind
Paddy Hardiman 1st Anniv
Kitty Luskin (29th Anniv) & her husband John
Andy Brown (14th Anniv)
Martin & Bridie Summerville (Anniv) & dec family
Paddy, Tommy & Nora Keane, Killimor
Noel & Brendan Riggs

Tuesday December 9th
Novena Mass in Cong Church at 7pm

Sunday December 14th at 11am.
Mylie, Margaret & dec of the Molloy Family
Delia, Jim & dec of the Dunleavy Family
Justin Holian & Mike Lydon

Weekly Church Collection
The amount lodged to the Parish account this week was €1, 840. Many thanks to all who contribute to the weekly collection, which goes towards the upkeep and maintenance of our three churches.

Zambian Housing Project
A total of €35.70 was lodged to the account this week. Many thanks for your continued support to the project.

Choir Practice for Christmas-The Neale Choir
6.30pm - 7.30pm on Wednesdays in The Neale Church, in order for Practice to go ahead, all members are encouraged to attend.

Wedding Bells
Congratulations and every blessing in the future to; Amy Flynn, Cross East & James Quinn, Ballinrobe who were married in Cross Church on Friday last.

Parish Notice Board

Second Sunday of Advent
This weekend we light the second purple candle on the Advent Wreath.
This is the candle of Peace and preparation. We reflect on our lives and focus on becoming better-versions-of-ourselves in preparation for Jesus' coming. We remember the journey Joseph and Mary took from Nazareth to Bethlehem.

Christmas Arrangements
On the weekend of December 20th & 21st there will be a **Penitential Service** at all Masses in the Parish.
Christmas Eve Mass times;
The Neale Church at 4.30pm and Cross Church at 6.30pm
Christmas Day; Mass in Cong Church at 11am

Ecumenical Carol Service
A carol service will be held on Sunday December 21st in St. Mary of the Rosary Church, Cong at 5pm. This brings together our two Churchcommunities. Tea, Coffee and seasonal treats will be served on the night. Calling all singers to come along and join in !

First rehearsal for the Carol Service is Monday December 8th at 8pm in Cong Church.

Christmas Mass Bouquets from Our Parish
Christmas Mass Bouquets personalised from our parish will be available next week. They will be on sale in the Parish Office and in the three Churches

Christmas Communion Calls
Fr. Declan will be doing the Christmas Communion Calls on Friday December 19th, if you are unable to get our to Mass and would like a visit from Fr. Declan, contact the Parish Office or Fr. Declan himself before the 19th.

Cong Social Club/Young at Heart Xmas Party
Wednesday December 10th at 4pm in The Lodge. Those wishing to attend, please leave your name to Cong P.O. before Friday December 5th. Spot prizes also welcome.

The Neale/Lough Mask Social Grp will have their annual Christmas Party on Thursday Dec 11th, in Ryan's Hotel, Cong., at 6pm. Everyone is welcome, so come along and enjoy a festive evening out. Please contact Breege 087 7536026, Marie 0879974832 or any committee member, as we will need to know numbers in advance.

Cunga Magazine
The 2025 edition of the Cunga magazine is now on sale, priced at €10.
Available in all the local shops.

Cong N.S.50/50 Draw;
The winner of the Cong NS Parents Association Nov 50/50 Draw is Bhriaim, Caomham & Diarmuid Rodgers and they won €205. Our next draw is Thursday 18th Dec and you can win the jackpot & a Christmas hamper enter at lottoraiser.ie/CongNS or buy at the local post office.Thank you for your continued support!

Mayo/Roscommon Hospice
Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Mayo Roscommon collection. The amount raised was €170.

Neale GAA Lotto Weekly Results
The winning numbers drawn were; 10, 12, 19 & 32. There was no Jackpot winner.
Gold members winners; Declan Costello and John O'Grady each winning €30.
The **Offline winner** of €25 was Dympna Curley and the **Online winner** of €25 was Pat Morrin . Congratulations to all the winners. Next week's Jackpot is €3,800, and the draw takes place in O'Malley's in Cross on Tuesday next 9th December at 9.30pm. Thank You to everyone who continues to support our Lotto.
Tickets can be purchased in Cong Post Office, Ryan's Hotel, Lydon's Lodge, Danagher's, Melotte's, Midway Stores, and O'Malley's Cross. Online tickets available at: www.smartlotto.ie/theneale

Yoga & Self-Care —Tuesday mornings in Cong.
A 10-week term begins 13th January. Gentle classes offering real support and simple self-care for every body, shape, size and level. Places are limited so booking is essential. Gift vouchers available. More info and bookings at **www.denisehogan.ie** or phone/text **087 6731199**.

25 Card Games
25 Card Game continues in **The Neale Hall** on Thursdays at 8.30pm. And in **Cross Community Centre** on Mondays at 8.30pm
Card Game starts on Tuesday 2nd December 8.30pm in **The Crossroads Community Centre**

St Vincent de Paul Annual Collection:
Reminder that the annual collection for the local branch of the St. Vincent de Paul is ongoing. You can drop your envelope in the Church Collection Basket anytime between now and Christmas. Thank you for your continued support and remember all monies raised are spent locally.