Cong Cross The Neale Parish Newsletter

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Mass Intentions for the week

Church of the Sacred Heart, Cross

Saturday August 1st at 5.00pm
Tony Browne, Clonbur
Marian Egan (Anniv) & her husband Paddy
J.V. Cosgrove (5th Anniv) & dec of the Cosgrove Family
Eileen O'Callaghan (5th Anniv)

Thursday August 6th
No Mass in Cross

Saturday August 8th at 5.00pm
Special Intention

St. John the Baptist Church, The Neale

Sunday August 2nd at 9.30am
Mary May (3rd Anniv) & dec family members

Wednesday August 5th
No Mass in The Neale

Sunday August 9th at 9.30am
Tom May Months Mind
Patrick & Nora Moran (kildun)
Delia (Anniv) & Paddy Lydon

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

Mass Times in Neighbouring Parishes

Corr na Móna Saturday at 6pm
Clonbur Sunday at 10.30am
Ballinrobe Saturday at 6.30pm
Sunday at 11.30am

St. Mary of the Rosary Church, Cong

Sunday August 2nd at 11.30am
Paddy (35th Anniv) & Nellie Lavin & Bridie Walsh
Bertha Finneran & Jimmy Hannon

Tuesday August 4th
No Mass in Cong

Sunday August 9th at 11.30am
Michael McDonnell Months Mind
Katherine O' Keeffe 1st Anniv
Paddy & Bridgie Clarke & their daughter Mary Monaghan
Michael James & Vera Morrin (Anniv) and Lucy Young
Philip & Ernie Lydon (Anniv) & dec of the Lydon & Appleton Families.

Weekly Church Collection
Thank you to all who contribute so generously to the weekly offertory collection which goes towards the upkeep and maintenance of our three Churches. A total of €1, 815 was lodged to the Parish account this week.

Zambian Housing Project
A total of €56.80 was lodged to the account this week. Many thanks for your continued support to the project.

Remember in your Prayers;

John O'Toole, Ardnagaoithe, Cong whose funeral took place on Thursday in Cong, also **Joan Lennon,** Howth, (Mother in law of the late Patrick Waldron, Cregaree,) who died recently. May they Rest in Peace.
We extend our sympathy to the families and friends of the deceased.

Parish Notice Board

Cead Mile Fáilte!
We welcome all visitors to the Parish this Bank Holiday Weekend, whether you are visiting family or just on holiday here we wish you a happy and relaxing time.

Monthly Communion Calls
Fr. Declan will be doing the monthly Communion calls on Friday next August 7th. If for any reason you are unable to get to Mass at present and would like Fr. Declan to call to you , please contact the Parish Office before Friday next.

Sacrament of Anointing

Cemetery Masses
This year there will be Cemetery Masses in four of the Cemeteries in the Parish, with the remaining Cemeteries to have Mass next year.
Saturday August 15th; Cross East Cemetery at 3pm **(This Mass will replace the Saturday Evening Mass in Cross)**
Sunday August 16th; The Neale Cemetery at 9.30am **Sunday August 16th;** Cong Abbey Cemetery at 11.30am
Tuesday August 18th; Lisloughrey Cemetery at 7pm

Annual Knock Novena
"Sheltered in God's Love'
The National Novena to Our Lady of Knock takes place from 13th to 21st of August 2026. Daily ceremonies, with guest speakers, take place at 3pm and 8pm. Daily Workshops at 12.45pm. See www.knockshrine.ie for more details.

August & September 2026 @ Lough Derg
"A pilgrimage has a vital part to play in our life of faith, for it removes us from our daily routines, and gives us time and space to encounter God more deeply." Pope Leo XIV
Three Day Pilgrimages – In the tradition of prayer, fasting and keeping Vigil Begin on any day of the week until Thursday 13 th August. Admission €85. Discounts available for Groups, Seniors & Students.
One Day Retreats – Guided Days of Prayer & Reflection - places available on August 18th , 22nd , 23rd , 29th and 31st September 5th , 6th , 9th , 12th , 15th , 19th and 20th Admission €50. Group discounts available. Advance Booking Essential .
Includes Special Themed Retreats:
23rd August - St Peregrine
5th September – Pioneer Pilgrimage
6th September – St Carlos Acutis

Congratulations to Our All Ireland Champions

"Congratulations to Tommy Conroy & Tom Lydon, The Mayo Team & Management and their families on their brilliant victory on Sunday last.
After a 75 year wait they are they are deserved winners after a fantantic game of football against Kerry at the All Ireland Football Final. We as a Parish are so proud of your achievements and I look forward to the day as I did when I was on Inishbofin to use the Sam Maguire Cup as the Chalice at Mass here in the Parish in the not too distant future.
Good luck and blessings to all. "
Fr. Declan & all Parishioners

Best of Luck.
Best of Luck to the Senior Galway Ladies Team who take on Kerry in this Sunday's All Ireland Ladies Football Final. Good luck also to Galway Ladies Camogie Team who take on Cork in the All Ireland Final next weekend.

Neale GAA Lotto Winner!
Congratulations to Patrick Waldron, Cross on winning the GAA Lotto .
The winning numbers drawn were; 3, 6, 11 & 19.
Next week's Jackpot now stands at €2,000
Next Lotto draw takes place on Tuesday next August 4th in the Neale GAA Clubhouse.
Thank You to everyone who continues to support our Lotto. Tickets can be purchased in Cong P.O., 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

Belcarra European Cultural Celebration
Belcarra is proud to host one of just six flagship events in County Mayo as part of Ireland's EU Presidency Cultural Programme 2026.Join us on Saturday, 22ndAugust, from 3.00pm–5.00pm at Belcarra Community Centre, the Eviction Cottage & Recreational Park for a free afternoon celebrating European culture, heritage and community. Everyone is welcome.

Prayer for the Month of August
Lord, I dedicate the month of August to You, confident in Your love and guidance. I trust in Your plans for me and ask for Your continuous presence. May I walk in faith, reflecting Your love and compassion in all that I do.