

Burrishoole Parish

March 4th 2023

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A New Moon

Friday 24th February was a beautiful evening. As we gathered on the Viaduct under a new moon and a sky full of glittering stars a spirit of calm abounded. The full tide reflected beautifully the night sky and it seemed as if the growing number of lighted candles were a mere reflection of the star sprinkled sky above.

We had gathered with our Ukrainian community to mark the first anniversary of Russia's invasion of Ukraine. In a spirit of solidarity over 200 people gathered. The atmosphere was sombre and as the short vigil progressed the emotion became palpable.

We began with a few words of welcome and then Sophia, who arrived with her family in April, spoke on behalf of all the Ukrainians who had sought refuge in our parish in the past year. A young girl in her late teens Sophia spoke with great courage and dignity. She began...

'These days of the past year, the lives of millions of Ukrainian people changed. In those days, every Ukrainian felt the loss of hope, the loss of love, and the loss of self due to the full-scale invasion by Moscow of our Ukraine. Together, this evening, we will remember that day, the day the horror began, and we will remember how far we have come, and let's remember Azostal, Irpin, Bucha, Kramatorsk, Zmiiny, Cherobaivka, Kherson, Mariupol, Vinnytsia and all the cities that suffered. Mria, the name of the plane that was destroyed by those terrorists, means Dream, but the greatest dream of the Ukrainian people for victory was not taken away and they won't take it away. We were told that we have no other options than to surrender, but we said and still say that we have no other options than to win'

Sophia continued 'we did not lose our lands, they were invaded by invaders - the world did not lose peace - Russia destroyed it. It is impossible to forget and forgive, but it is possible to win because our path is illuminated by the truth. We know it. We protect it. Evil has no weapon stronger than the armour given to us by God. In this battle, we have

one effective weapon - wisdom, God's courage and bravery'.

She finished by thanking, on behalf of all the Ukrainians who have sought shelter in our community, the people of Newport and its environs for the support that they have received since they arrived here 'You gave us shelter, you shared food, clothes, you supported and gave us hope'. Her words were met with silence and tears and when the Ukrainian national anthem was sung it was very difficult not to share the pain of these beautiful people who find themselves, through no fault of their own, in a strange and distant land with no language and little more than the clothes on their backs.

After the recitation of St Francis' Peace Prayer the vigil ended with a minutes silence.

We left with tears in our eyes but with a warmth in our hearts.

It's strange to think that thousands of miles away that same beautiful new moon could be seen from the rubble of destroyed homes and from the sodden trenches of an horrendous war.

'Lord, make me an instrument of your peace: where there is hatred, let me sow love...'

God bless, Fr Tod

Lenten Daily Mass Schedule

For Lent this year we will celebrate an early morning Mass at 7.30am each Tuesday in the Oratory, Newport with Mass in the Oratory on Thursdays at 7pm. Mass on Mondays in Tiernaur and on Fridays in Mulranny will continue at the usual time of 10am. Plenty of choice.

Ministers of the Word and Eucharist

A short evening of reflection for all Readers and Ministers of the Eucharist will be held on Monday March 20th at 7pm in Tiernaur Church. All are encouraged to attend. The evening will conclude with some light refreshments in Nevins of Tiernaur.

Parish Ministries

Can you commit to being part of the ministry team in any of our churches? Would you be willing to have your name on the ministry rota every 5 or 6 weeks? What, in terms of your time and gifts, can you give so that the faith of our community continues to flourish? Our parish needs more people to serve in the various ministries. New rotas are now being drawn up. If you would like to be a Reader, Eucharistic Minister, Basket Collector, Choir Member, Church cleaner etc please give your name to Fr Tod or to the Parish office.

Goodnews Club

Our next Goodnews Club takes place in Newport at 10am Mass next Sunday (March 11th). All children welcome

First Communion/Confession

Our next First Holy Communion Mass will be celebrated on Sunday March 26th. First Confession for children in Newport NS will take place in the Oratory at 7pm on Tues March 14th. First Confession for children in Mulranny NS will take place on Tues April 18th at 7pm in Mulranny Church.

St Vincent de Paul

Our local St Vincent de Paul group continues to help families who find themselves in financial difficulties. Please use the confidential helpline if you need to contact them 0864181000

St Patrick's Day Card

Our Pizza and Coke group would like to send a St Patrick's Day Card on behalf of the parish to parishioners away from home. If you have a son or daughter, brother or sister abroad and would like them to receive a card please drop their name into the parish office before Friday March 3rd.

Newport St Patrick's Day Parade

Newport St Patrick's Day Parade will start at the later time of 3.30 pm on Friday, 17th March, taking the same route as in previous years, with assembly at Campus on the Westport Rd at 3pm. If anyone is willing to assist with traffic control for the duration of the parade, please get in touch with any of the committee or message them through the Newport St Patrick's Parade Facebook or Instagram pages.

Burrishoole GAA - 2023 Membership

Registration is now open for the 2023 season for all. Whether you are a player, coach or general club member we are delighted to have you. New members are always welcome. Check our social media for the registration link or email secretary.burrishoole.mayo@gaa.ie for further details

Mulranny Community Playgroup

Mulranny Community Playgroup is now taking enrolments for September 2023. There is limited availability of ECCE places for children who were born on or before 31st December 2020. If you are interested and wish to contact them, please call or WhatsApp them at 087 7176730, and someone will get back to you.

Newport Mens Shed

Newport Mens Shed is holding an informal open evening at 8pm sharp next Wednesday, March 8, upstairs in Walsh's Bridge Inn. Anyone interested is invited to come along to hear about Mens Shed and what they do. There is no pressure to commit and new members are always welcome.

Mulranny St Patrick's Day Parade

A meeting is to be held in the Mulranny/Tiernaur Amenity Centre, Mulranny at 8pm on Monday, March, 6, to prepare for the Mulranny St Patrick's Day Parade. All are welcome to attend.

Recent Burglaries

Due to a recent burglary in the Newport area all in the community are asked to be extra vigilant and report any suspicious activity to the Gardaí at Newport 098 41102 or Westport 098 25555.

Weekday Masses (See notice for times)

Mon-Tiernaur/Tues/Thurs-Newport Fri-Mulranny
For those who grieve

Weekend Masses

Friday March 3rd Shramore at 7pm

Nancy Noone, Newport

Saturday March 4th Tiernaur at 7pm

Mary Costello, Knocknageeha. Tom Chambers, Knockloughra. Packie Hoban, Knockloughra

Sunday March 5th Newport at 10am

Joe Kelly, Newport and Galway. Seamus O Malley, Carramore his parents John Joe and Mary and deceased family members. Angela and Sylvie Healy, Mulranny Rd. Tatijana, Savina, Siberia. Peter Fahy, Carnacarton, Tuam.

Sunday March 5th Mulranny at 11.30am

The People of the Parish

Saturday March 11th Tiernaur at 7pm:

Christy Butler and parents Ned and Bridgie Hoban and deceased family members. Jocie Moran, Roskeen

Sunday March 12th Newport at 10am:

Liam Burke, Corrigan and parents Tom and Phyllis, Rossinrubble. Joe and Breege Mc Manamon, Meddlcott St.. Joe and Hannah Mc Loughlin, their son Michael and deceased members of the Carey and Mc Loughlin families.

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