



PARISH NEWSLETTER

3rd April 2022
Wicklow & Rathnew
Fifth Sunday of Lent
RCN 20016166



Welcome

*to our Mass and a very warm welcome
to everyone joining us on our parish
radio & online.*

Gospel reflections *More than forgiveness* **Donal Neary S.J.**

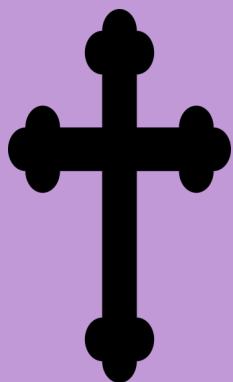
This is a powerful story of justice and mercy. Jesus is on the side of the woman who has been accused of sin and crime. It was an unjust accusation, and the people who brought her had little good in mind.

Jesus offers more than forgiveness - he brings mercy. Mercy forgives with compassion and doesn't need lectures. It restores dignity to the victims of injustice like the lady in this story. It is the same in Jesus, for those who do not receive their dignity because of something they are, or something they did and are unjustly treated.

Jesus did not condemn; he turns the tables a bit. He simply says: *Anyone here without sin - take the stone and throw it.* Nobody does. In this atmosphere of darkness we need to hear something of the love and the mercy of God. Would light of mercy come into their darkness of condemnation? Would they leave their darkness into a personal space where they might have a change of heart?

This is also about the challenge to live honestly and without sin; and to be able to take steps like this woman's life, to move on. All hear this word from Jesus - I do not condemn you. This comes to our society and to ourselves. We need to hear this word for ourselves as often we throw stones at ourselves more than at others. What we condemn in others is what sometimes we do not like in ourselves.

*Lord may we enter this world of mercy wherever we need to.
May we hear these words always, 'I do not condemn you'*



Sincere sympathy to the families of ...

Eamonn Conalty late of Ballyguile Upper

Andy Quinn late of The Bank, Rathnew

Mass Intention List



This Weekend ~ 2nd & 3rd April

- 6.00pm** Leonard Kelly - Months Mind, Michael O'Shaughnessy - 1st Anniversary
John Byrne & Nick Healy BR, Jimmy Kenny, Jack Fox & deceased
members of the Fox & Robinson family
- 7.00pm** Anita Kinsella RD
- 9.00am** Brenda O'Malley RD
- 10.00am** Breeda Whyte, George Reeves both RD in Dublin
- 11.30am** Joe Earls - Months Mind, Ellen Whelan, Michael Earls

4th ~ 8th April

Monday

- 8.00am** Jenny Conboy RD
- 10.00am** Eddie, Kate & Jack Kavanagh

Tuesday

- 10am** Jack Quill BR, Imelda & Joe Kelly
- 7.00pm** Kate Quinn & deceased members of the Quinn family,
Maisie & Harry Murphy

Wednesday

- 8.00am** Davey Macken RD
- 10.00am** Valerie Carroll RD

Thursday

- 10am** Lillian Kelly & Brigid Sheridan
- 7.00pm** Johnny McDonald RD

Friday

- 8.00am** Joe Bracken
- 10.00am** Peter Moloney RD

Next Weekend ~ 9th & 10th April

- 6.00pm** Kathleen Newsome - Months Mind
- 7.00pm** Nancy Gill
- 9.00am**
- 10.00am** James & Mary Grant, Otto & Agnes Klaue, Jimmy Gallagher
- 11.30am** Maura O'Brien - Months Mind, Nancy Heaney - 1st Anniversary,
Michael White RD, Kathleen Brennan, Fr Tom Scully

Please note that the Masses in green type are in St Joseph's Rathnew

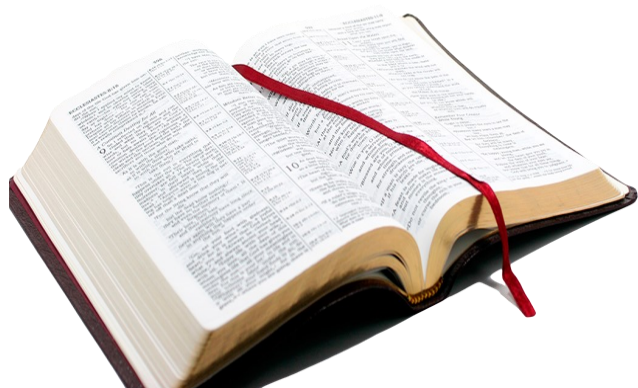
DOCAT - FAITH - DISCUSSION



In 2019/20, there was a successful and positive faith discussion group happening weekly in the parish - and now we're back! Beginning on **Wednesday the 23rd**, we will be exploring the social teaching of the Church together using the resource 'Docat'. This is an easy question and answer style book, which will guide us through the origins and pillars of Catholic Social Teaching. We will have time for tea & coffee, learning, discussion & sharing in small groups, and prayer. Programme from **7:30-8:30pm, in the Parish Centre**, but feel free to arrive from 7:00pm for tea and socialising.

For more information, please email
jacobjagomoran@gmail.com

WANTED... 5th / 6th class students to participate in the Good Friday Stations Drama. Practices will be starting soon - please leave your name & phone number with either of our priests or the Parish Office.



Journeying together towards Easter joy through the Sunday Gospels, each Wednesday evening of Lent - March 30th & April 6th, in the Dominican Ecology Centre from 7.30pm till 8.30pm.

Why not join us in person or via zoom by emailing the parish office on parishofficewicklow@gmail.com to receive the link. Everyone is very welcome.



MASS TIMES FOR LENT

St Patrick's : Mon, Wed & Fri 8am Mass

Daily 10am Mass continues Mon to Fri

St Joseph's: Tuesday & Thursdays at 7pm

**PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DAYS IN RATHNEW
FOR LENT**

SYNODAL GATHERINGS

Our second gathering will take place this
**Sunday 3rd April in the Parish Centre
from 3pm -4.30pm**

The questions that we are asked to consider at this gathering will be most important in how we see our future church.



Living the Gospel in Lent

The Annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock will take place on Saturday 23rd April - more information to follow.

St Patrick's Conference Wicklow



01 855 0022

CHILD SAFEGUARDING OFFICER

Telephone number 087 123 8054

WICKLOW & RATHNEW



WICKLOW CANCER SUPPORT

UNIT 2, FIRST FLOOR,

REAR OF LEONDARD & MULVEY (BUTLERS) PHARMACY
ABBEY STREET, WICKLOW

0404 32696 OR 086 821 6694

WE ARE A VOLUNTARY ORGANISATION SET UP OVER
TEN YEARS AGO TO ASSIST THOSE HAVING
TREATMENT FOR CANCER IN EVERY WAY POSSIBLE.

WE HAVE VARIOUS OTHER SERVICES AVAILABLE IF
YOU NEED TO CONTACT US.

DIARY DATES: APRIL

3rd : Baptisms - Wicklow

9th/10th: St Vincent De Paul Quarterly Collection

10th: Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

13th: Spy Wednesday Chrism Mass – 7pm, Pro Cathedral

14th: Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper

15th: Good Friday Celebration of the Lord's Passion

16th: Holy Saturday

17th: Easter Sunday / Baptisms - Wicklow

23rd: Baptisms - Rathnew

23rd: Annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock

Email Queries: knockpilgrimage@dublindiocese.ie

24th: Divine Mercy Sunday

28th: Zoom Baptism Meeting - 8pm

The Pope's Intention for April

For Health Care Workers

*We pray for health care workers
who serve the sick and the elderly,
especially in the poorest countries;
may they be adequately supported
by governments and local
communities.*

UKRAINE APPEAL

Many thanks to all those who
contributed to the appeal last week - a
total of €5960 was collected from the
parish. Contributions can still be left in
the parish office - and we will continue
to update the figure as it increases.



NEXT WEEKENDS READINGS - 10TH APRIL 2022

First Reading :Isaiah 50: 4-7

Responsorial Psalm 21: 8-9, 17-20, 23-24

Second Reading : Philipians 2. 6-11

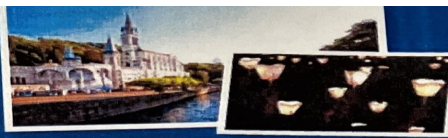
Gospel: Luke 22 14-23:56 or 23:1-49

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS FOR WICKLOW & RATHNEW: 27/03/2022

1ST COLLECTION / COMMON FUND	- pays salaries of Priests of Diocese	- € 841
2ND COLLECTION / SHARE	- goes towards diocesan administration	- € -
ENVELOPE/ CHURCH COLLECTION	- goes towards maintaining our parish	- €2255
FUNDRAISING APPEAL ENVELOPES	- goes towards parish structural works	

Many thanks for your continued support.

LOURDES



Joe Walsh Tours

WICKLOW RATHNEW LOURDES PILGRIMAGE 2022

Spiritual Director: Fr Donal Roche

12 September 2022
5 nights

€ 799 per person sharing
Complimentary Group Travel Insurance

- » Direct return flights from Dublin to Lourdes
- » Return airport transfers in Lourdes
- » 5 nights in the Hotel La Solitude
- » Full Board: breakfast, lunch & dinner each day
- » Fully escorted pilgrimage, accompanied by Spiritual Director
- » Mass at Grotto, Anointing of the Sick, Torchlight Procession & International Mass

For information please contact:

Nancy Colgan 086 1099112
Catherine Marah 0404 68389

Parish Office 0404 61699
Carol Kavanagh 086 0601956

MEDJUGORJE



Joe Walsh Tours

Pilgrimage to Medjugorje

Group Leader: Marian O'Meara
Accompanied by Spiritual Director

4 May 2022
7 nights

€729.00 per person*

(*€50 discount when paid in full by 31 January 2022)

- » Return flights from Dublin Airport
- » Transfer to Medjugorje & return
- » 7 nights' accommodation close to St James Church
- » Breakfast & dinner each day
- » Full religious programme
- » Joe Walsh Tours Representative: Philip Ryan
- » Group Travel Insurance

For information please contact:

Marian O'Meara: 085 8031751



LISTENING TO OUR YOUNG CHURCH DUBLIN DIOCESAN YOUNG ADULT SYNOD

Young Adults & Friends,
This is your opportunity to take part in the world wide gathering of peoples views on what they think and feel about the Church.



Join us Online
Monday 4th April
7:30-9pm.

#synod

DUBLIN DIOCESAN TEEN SYNOD

Young People of Dublin Diocese - This is your chance! Pope Francis wants to hear what you think or feel about our Church. We would love to hear your voice at our Dublin Diocesan Teen Synod!

Join us online **Thursday 31st March**

6:30pm - 8pm. You can register online using this link: <https://forms.office.com/r/jVYZSdxbF1>

Registration closes on the 25th March at 5pm

For more information, email: synod@dublindiocese.ie

YOUNG ADULT SYNOD

This is your opportunity to take part in the world wide gathering of people's views on what they think and feel about the Church. It is part of the preparation here in Dublin in advance of the next Synod that will be hosted by Pope Francis next year. Please do take this invitation to join us for this prayerful and Synodal listening. You might know of other people interested in taking part too.

It will take place on Monday 4th April from 7:30-9pm. Register using the link below, before Thursday 31st March. <https://forms.gle/os5DNA6hoNPGSmVKV6>

Active Retirement - Activities and Trips

Now with 96 members, we are one of the largest Groups in Ireland

Tuesday 11 am Coffee Mornings continue - come along and find out about us !

Learning Irish for fun - Tuesday 10.30am - no prior knowledge required

Line dancing follows the coffee morning at 12md, beginners welcome

Choir, ♪ Fridays, upstairs in the Pastoral Centre 3-4pm. We will be visiting Nursing Homes again very soon - so join up, join in and tune up with us ♪

One to one computer coaching using Hi-digital training - learn to use your phone/laptop/tablet to make life easier and more fun - starts this Tuesday !

Spring holiday in Kilkenny - 4 nights, 25th-29th April - one room left !

Plans afoot for our "CHRISTMAS LUNCH" to be held in May!! Watch this space for details. Lots of fun instore with this, for sure, but don't tell Santa

If you would like to join active retirement or find out more, please do feel free to ring me:

Jenny Murphy (Secretary) 087 6221766 ~ *You will be sure of a Cead Mile Failte.*



ST VINCENT DE PAUL QUARTERLY COLLECTION

The quarterly collection for the local conference will be taken up on the weekend of the 9th/10th April - as usual your support for this collection is vital and very much appreciated.



PALM SUNDAY

10th April



We are asking parishioners to continue the displaying of palm on their doors / windows which we began during the COVID lockdown. It can be as simple or as decorative as you like. Why not take a photo of your palm display and send it in to us on our Facebook page?

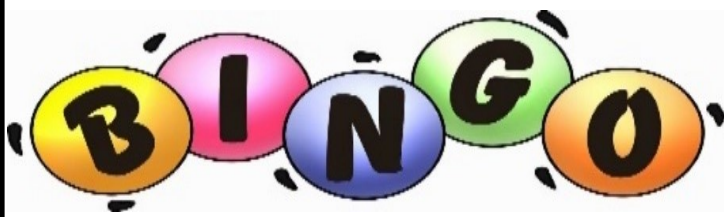
Any parents who wish to have a child baptised are asked to attend an introductory meeting before booking a date for the baptism. At this meeting you will be given all the necessary information about the Sacrament of Baptism and the commitment required of the parents who request it for their child. The next meeting will be on

THURSDAY - 28TH APRIL AT 8PM

This meeting is via zoom.

Please contact the parish office to give your email address.

Many thanks to the sponsor of our newsletter
McCrea's Funeral Home, Dublin Road, Phone 0404 69000, 24 hours
www.mccrea.ie - info@niallmccrea.com



Covid guidelines are still in place in the Parish centre, please do not attend if feeling unwell or have been a close contact.

WICKLOW BINGO CONTINUES IN THE DE LA SALLE PASTORAL CENTRE ON MONDAY NIGHTS STARTING AT 8PM.

RATHNEW BINGO WHO HAVE NOW RESUMED ON WEDNESDAY NIGHTS AT 8PM ALL ARE WELCOME!

PLEASE NOTE THAT DOORS OPEN AT 7.30PM

Bingo gift vouchers are available to purchase - for any amount - at the Bingo or from the Parish Office.

BOATHOUSE SETDANCERS, set dancing has resumed in the GAA Hall each Tuesday evening from 8.15—10pm, fee €7. Looking forward to seeing faces, old and new!!

EASTER SCHEDULES with all Easter events are now available at the Church doors, please feel free to take one home with you.

HOLY HOUR - is now on Monday evenings from 7.30pm till 8.30pm. Please note the change of day.

ALONE

YOU'RE NOT ALONE

CORONAVIRUS HELPLINE FOR OLDER PEOPLE

0818 222 024

If you have concerns or queries about COVID-19 call ALONE's dedicated support line everyday, 8am - 8pm. To volunteer your help, visit www.alone.ie

WEEKLY PARISH LOTTO RESULTS

CONGRATULATIONS

ANN DOYLE

€50 winner

THIS WEEKS WINNING NUMBERS ARE

7, 11, 19, 21

NEXT WEEKS JACKPOT WILL BE

€2,125

Remember...if you aren't in you can't win!

Join by texting the word

WICKLOW to 51444

or go to the website :

www.ourparishfundraiser.ie/parish/wicklow

Two things define you.

Your patience when you have nothing, and your attitude when you have everything.

