

PARISH NEWSLETTER

5th June 2022
Wicklow & Rathnew
Pentecost Sunday
RCN 20016166





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

Donal Neary S.J Called into following Christ Gospel reflections

Pentecost is really something new! The first reading has no blarney no recrimination for the death of Jesus - only a new call and new mercy. The gospel is about the coming of the Spirit and the main sign of the Spirit is forgiveness.

There was a lot of need for forgiveness around in the first group of Jesus' followers. They had let him down and had let each other down. They looked around and like any group felt memories of hurt shame, let-down, injury and harm. They saw those who had abandoned Jesus and tried to cover up the sin; or they saw others who just knew they had done wrong and were sorry. All were forgiven.

And all are now called into the following of Christ. We follow Christ with all sorts of personal gifts, talents and sins in our back-pack. Like people on pilgrimage, we are cluttered. The Holy Spirit opens our hearts to let this baggage just fly away! We are people of freedom and of a new song.

What song do I sing in the presence of the Lord? One that brings me back into misery like singing of shame and misery or one that brings me into the freedom of the Alleluia? Can my heart dance with the joy and hope of Pentecost?

Ask this day for what gift of the Spirit you really want, and maybe include always the gift to be able to let go of hurt, to open the heart to all, and to forgive or if not, to want to forgive.

Holy Spirit, forgiveness of God, give me your true freedom.



- 1. Wisdom
- Understanding
- Counsel
- 4. Fortitude
- 5. Knowledge
- 6. Piety
- 7. Fear of the Lord



Sincere sympathy to the family of ...

Mary Gerathy late of Bayview John Fogden late of Churchill

Mass Intention List



6.00pm Gaye McGettigan - 1st Anniversary, Eddie Coffey,

Peter & Peggy Finnegan, Andrew O'Brien

Mass of thanksgiving for Robin's recovery

7.00pm Joseph Hennessy RD

10.00am Brídie Cardiff, Margaret Breen

11.30am Tony & Peggy Gillespie, Gerard (Ger) Gilbert,

John & Maura McCall, Charlie Byrne, Anna Murphy

Monica O'Rourke

6th ~ 10th June

Monday Funeral Mass of Mary Gerathy RIP

7.00pm NO MASS - BANK HOLIDAY

Tuesday Jim O'Neill, Kevin O'Brien

7.00pm John Power, For all those sitting exams at this time

Wednesday Funeral Mass of John Fogden RIP

Thursday Frances O'Byrne RD

Friday Paddy Ryan, deceased members of the

Ryan & Dooley families

Next Weekend ~ 11th - 12th June

6.00pm

7.00pm Carmel Franey - Months Mind, James Gill

10.00am

11.30am Deirdre O Reilly, Maureen Doyle, Michael Lambert

John Connolly

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



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 - 23RD JUNE

Please contact the parish office to give your details

NEW MASS SCHEDULE from JUNE 2022

Due to the untimely death of Fr Joseph Doran in Barndarrig on 7th May the Archbishop has requested that the three parishes of Wicklow/ Rathnew, Ashford/ Glenealy and Kilbride/Barndarrig/ Brittas Bay come together as a single pastoral area to serve the spiritual and liturgical needs of the Catholic population of the area. Please be assured that a pastoral area does not mean a single parish: each of the three parishes will still have its own individual identity, but the three will be served by the team of Fr Donal, Fr Eamonn and Fr Pat.

It will be necessary to introduce a new Mass schedule in order to ensure that each of the seven churches in the area will have at least one weekend Mass and the timing of the Masses has to be such that, in the event of one of the priests being absent, the schedule can still be fulfilled by two priests. We regret that this will mean a loss of a Mass in two of the churches, but we ask for your support and understanding in this. If the Mass you normally attend is not on, there will be another at the same time in one of the other nearby churches. In the event of one of the Priests been unavailable at some stage in the future, unfortunately there will be further reductions. We know that this will be disappointing for some parishioners, but this is the situation in the majority of parishes in the diocese due to the shortage of priests.

The following schedule will come into effect from the weekend of 4th/ 5th June and will be reviewed at the end of the Summer.

Saturday Vigil:

Sunday Morning:

6pm Wicklow

9am Kilbride and 9am Glenealy

6pm Ashford

10am Wicklow and 10am Brittas Bay

7pm Rathnew

11.00. Ashford

7pm Barndarrig

11.30 Wicklow

PARISH MASS CARDS _- It has become necessary to increase the cost of the Association Mass Cards from €3 to €5. There hasn't been an increase in the cost of these cards in the past fifteen years and we have been advised that we are under- pricing the cards, as in most parishes they vary between €5 & €7.

We will also be saying the Mass for the Association Masses on the second Tuesday of the month in Rathnew at 7pm for all those who are deceased on the list. The fourth Tuesday of the month, in Rathnew at 7pm will be reserved for all those who are living on the lists. (ie: Get well, Thinking of You, Happy Birthday etc)

The income from these cards goes towards Parish Maintenance.

We are also increasing the cost of the Individual Mass cards from €10 to €12 as we are not covering the cost of the cards at the moment. These Masses are included in the parish where there are no daily intentions. As we don't always have enough individual Masses for these intentions, we do send a quantity of them to the Mission priests that are known to us, for them to say the Masses. But please be assured that the Masses are always said for the intentions on the lists.

St Patrick's Conference Wicklow

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

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: JUNE

3rd: Feast of St Kevin (Patron Saint of Archdiocese of Dublin)

5th: Pentecost Sunday/ Baptisms in Wicklow

Parish Confirmation in Wicklow

9th: Feast of St. Columba (Colum Cille)

12th: The Most Holy Trinity

14th –17th: Parish Confirmations in Wicklow

19th: The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)

Baptisms in Rathnew

23rd: Monthly Baptism Meeting

24th: The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus,

World Day of Prayer for Priests

Parish Wedding Anniversary Mass

25th/26th: St Vincent de Paul Monthly collection

The Tope's Intention in June:

For families

We pray for
Christian families
around the world;
may they embody
and experience
unconditional love &
advance in holiness
in their daily lives.



NEXT WEEKENDS READINGS - 12TH JUNE 2022

First Reading :Proverbs 8: 22-31
Responsorial Psalm: 8: 4-9

Second Reading: Romans 5: 1-5
Gospel: John 16: 12-15

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS FOR WICKLOW & RATHNEW: 29th May

1ST COLLECTION / COMMON FUND
2ND COLLECTION / SHARE

- go

1ST COLLECTION / COMMON FUND - pays salaries of Priests of Diocese

- € 850 • € 430

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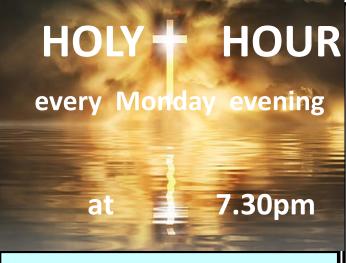
ENVELOPE/ CHURCH COLLECTION FUNDRAISING APPEAL ENVELOPES

goes towards diocesan administration
 goes towards maintaining our parish
 €

- goes towards parish structural works - €

Many thanks for your continued support.

Deadline for receipt of items for newsletter is Wednesday at 3pm.



PARISH CONTACTS

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Parish Office: 0404 61699

Email: parishofficewicklow@gmail.com

Website: www.wicklowparish

Office opening times -

Monday - Friday : 10am - 12.30pm

PARISH PILGRIMAGES 2022

MEDJUGORJE - 24th August 2022 - 7 nights

€729 per person in accommodation close to St James Church Direct return flights, Return airport transfers in Medjugorje, Breakfast & dinner each day

Full religious programme

SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR - Fr Pat O Rourke

More information from Marion O Meara 085 803 1751

LOURDES - 12th September 2022 - 5 nights

€799 per person sharing in the Hotel La Solitude

Direct return flights, Return airport transfers in Lourdes,

Full board, breakfast, lunch & dinner each day

Mass at grotto, anointing of the Sick, torchlight Procession

SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR - Fr Donal Roche

More information from Nancy Colgan 086 1099 112 or Carol Kavanagh 086 060 1956 or Parish Office 61699

Please note that all balances must be paid in full by Tuesday 28th June





St Coens First Holy Communion group 2022 ~ Mr McAdams class



St Coens First Holy Communion group 2022 ~ Miss Keane's class

Active Retirement-Activities and Trips

Now with 99 members, we are one of the largest Groups in Ireland

Tuesday coffee morning as usual - 11 am

Very important meeting:

Rita will update us on Autumn Holiday don't miss it! We all need a break whoo hoo

Irish at 10.30 Tuesday before meeting, Computer training after at 12.15

Line dancing with Molly following the meeting Tuesday

Social dancing Friday at 2pm upstairs in the Pastoral Centre

Choir continues, Friday upstairs, in the Pastoral Centre @ 3pm

More trips and activities planned - so as always watch this space and follow our facebook page: 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.

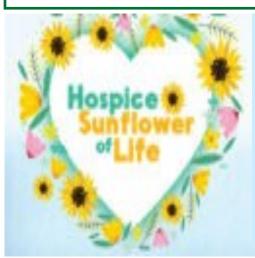
Weekly Envelope Collection

The new packs of envelopes have now been delivered to houses, if you haven't received your box please contact the parish office. Once again, a very sincere thank you to all of our contributors who kindly give up your time to deliver the boxes.

If you do not receive a box of family offering envelopes and would like to - please ring the parish office on 61699 or fill in the request form on the back of this newsletter.

The weekly envelope or Direct Debit contribution is the only money that stays in the parish. This runs the parish on a day to day basis and covers all parish expenses, maintenance/improvements on all parish buildings, car parks etc. It is a vital collection for the upkeep of the parish and we are very grateful to all those who do contribute so generously by both parish envelopes or direct debit.

CHY 3 forms will be sent out automatically to those people who need to have them updated this year. If you haven't already completed a CHY3 form, we would really appreciate you filling it out and allowing the parish to reclaim the tax on donations. If you need more information about the CHY3 tax reclaim please contact Debbie in the parish office.



Great news! Our wonderful Volunteers will be in Aldi, Lidl and outside Earls on the main street selling sunflower products from 11-5 on the 10th & 11th of June. It is great to be back on the streets after two years! Please stop by and pick up some lovely sunflower products. All monies go directly to Wicklow Hospice. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Congratulations to the De La Salle Confirmation
Group who will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation on Sunday morning at the 10am Mass.
Have a lovely day.

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.



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

Your contribution to the Church is your appreciation for your parish. If you would like to become a regular contributor to the Parish, please fill in this slip and return to Parish Office or Sacristy

Name
Contact Number
Address

WEEKLY PARISH LOTTO RESULTS

CONGRATULATIONS PADDY McELWEE

€50 winnerTHIS WEEKS WINNING NUMBERS ARE

3, 17, 18, 27

NEXT WEEKS JACKPOT WILL BE

€2,900

Remember...íf you aren't ín you can't win!

Join by texting the word WICKLOW to 51444

or go to the website:
www.ourparishfundraiser.ie/parish/
wicklow

