



PARISH NEWSLETTER

10th April 2022
Wicklow & Rathnew
Passion Sunday
RCN 20016166



Welcome

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

Donal Neary S.J.

Gospel reflections

PALM SUNDAY

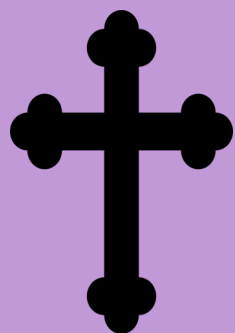
Who was there at the end?

Who was there at the end? The friends of Jesus: from a distance, but still around. They stayed near, not wanting to leave. Did they all stand around for a while? Wanting to go and not wanting to go, like mourners at a graveside - confused, sad and discouraged - silent in the moments of violent death. Were they afraid that this might happen to them too? The friends and acquaintances of Jesus, the one who promised much and said he would rise again... Did any of them remember this promise? Did they whisper it to each other as they closed the stone at the tomb? Did they wonder if more was yet to come? For there was always more with Jesus. We are that 'more!

There also was the centurion: the good man who said, 'he was a Son of God'. The one from Rome saw through the many from Jerusalem. He was a strange type of guy at the cross - the Roman who had been told to get these crucifixions done, with the least amount of trouble and publicity. Away from home and his own people, he would find a new God in the home of his heart and would be linked forever to a new people.

Something about this man gave a scent of love, and an authority that came from somewhere far away - further than an emperor or a political power. He knew that this man was a Son of God; may we know this too of Jesus

Lord, by your cross and resurrection, you have set us free. You are the saviour of the world.



*Sincere sympathy to the families of ...
Edith Bell wife of Richard formerly St
Laurence's Road who died in England*

*Maura McBride nee Kavanagh formerly Dunbur
Road & Ashford who died in Spain*

Mass Intention List



This Weekend ~ 9th & 10th April

- 6.00pm** Kathleen Newsome & Teresa Aherne - Months Mind, Bill Scott
7.00pm Nancy Gill
9.00am Maria O Carroll RD
10.00am James & Mary Grant, Otto & Agnes Klune, Jimmy Gallagher, Seamus Dunne, Gerry Mulvihill, Alice Farrell, Agnes, Ellen & John Malone, John & Eileen Nolan
11.30am Maura O'Brien - Months Mind, Nancy Heaney - 1st Anniversary, Michael White RD, Kathleen Brennan, Fr Tom Scully

11th ~ 15th April

- Monday** 8.00am Paddy, Alice, Mary & Michael Sexton
10.00am May Mason RD
Tuesday 10.00am In grateful appreciation of all those who sent Mass Cards and sympathised with the Clark family on the death of Philomena Clarke RIP
7.00pm Alfie Thompson RD
Wednesday 8.00am Brian O Leary RD
10.00am Sean Kelly, Juliette Cleary

10.00am **Holy Thursday** Morning Prayer
10.00am **Good Friday** Morning Prayer
10.00am **Holy Saturday** Morning Prayer

Next Weekend ~ 9th & 10th April

- 9.00pm** **EASTER VIGIL MASS**
9.00am Josie Keane -Months Mind, Michael John Duffy (A) Mary-Ann Duffy & deceased members of the Duffy family, Leo Devlin.
10.00am Thomas & Bridget Cregg & deceased members of their families, Tom Porter
11.30am John Bunn—Months Mind, Betty Fitzpatrick
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. Each **Wednesday** 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



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**



ST VINCENT DE PAUL QUARTERLY COLLECTION

The quarterly collection for the local conference will be taken up this weekend 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?

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.

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.



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
ABBAY 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

A further €1600 was left into the parish
office last week, bringing the collection
up to €7560.

Contributions can still be left in the
parish office - and we will continue to
update the figure as it increases.



NEXT WEEKENDS READINGS - 17TH APRIL 2022

First Reading :Acts 10: 34, 37-43

Responsorial Psalm 117:1-2,16-17,22-23

Second Reading : Colossians 3. 1-4

Gospel: John 20: 1-9

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS FOR WICKLOW & RATHNEW: 03/04/2022

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| 1ST COLLECTION / COMMON FUND | - pays salaries of Priests of Diocese | - € 880 |
| 2ND COLLECTION / SHARE | - goes towards diocesan administration | - € 450 |
| ENVELOPE/ CHURCH COLLECTION | - goes towards maintaining our parish | - €1710 |
| FUNDRAISING APPEAL ENVELOPES | - goes towards parish structural works | |

Many thanks for your continued support.



Archdiocese of Dublin

Pilgrimage to Knock

11:00am - Meet & Greet

12noon - Workshops

- Synod,
- Laudato Si
- Prayerful Preparation for the Sacrament of Reconciliation

3pm - The Pilgrimage Mass celebrated by Archbishop Dermot Farrell

For more information, please email knockpilgrimage@dublindiocese.ie

Saturday April 23rd



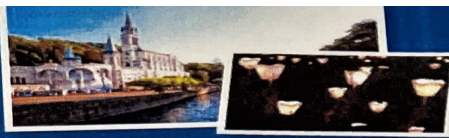
Swieconka – Polish Blessing of the Baskets

Serdecznie zapraszamy na Wielkanocne święcenie pokarmów w Wielką Sobotę na godzinę 12, które odbędzie się w kościele Świętego Patryka w Wicklow Town.

You are warmly invited to a blessing of Polish bread on Holy Saturday 16th April at midday (12.00pm) Please extend this invitation to all members of your community.

Easter Saturday Swieconka (sh-vee-en-soon-kah) is one of the most enduring and beloved Polish traditions. Baskets containing a sampling of Easter foods are brought to church to be blessed on Holy Saturday. The basket is traditionally lined with a white linen or lace napkin and decorated with sprigs of boxwood (bukszpan), the typical Easter evergreen. Poles take special pride in preparing a decorative and tasteful basket with crisp linens, occasionally embroidered for the occasion, and just enough boxwood and ribbon woven through the handle. Observing the beautiful foods and creations of other parishioners is one of the special joys of the event. While in some older or rural communities, the priest visits the home to bless the foods, the vast majority of Poles and Polish parishioners in Ireland visit the church on Holy Saturday.

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

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 in the Pastoral centre 12.15-1.15 after the coffee morning. - Tired of holding your stomach in at weddings every time you see a photographer? Learn to use photoshop, so much easier than going on a diet. Bring your phone/laptop/tablet - we only teach what you want to know!

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 Míle Fáilte.*

NEPTUNE BRIDGE CLUB

A reminder for members, Thursday 14th is Holy Thursday and there will be no bridge. The following week 21 April will be a busy night for the club as we will be having our AGM followed with playing for the President's Prize and presentation immediately after play with a light supper. As this competition is an individual event it is imperative that you have your name down to play as it is pre-entry in order to facilitate setting up the movement. Likewise if you have your name down to play and for some reason you cannot play please let a member of the committee know immediately as we may have to import subs from other clubs.

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

WEEKLY PARISH LOTTO RESULTS

CONGRATULATIONS

Lynda Quinn

€50 winner

THIS WEEKS WINNING NUMBERS ARE

2, 9, 17, 27

NEXT WEEKS JACKPOT WILL BE

€2,225

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*

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

HOLY WEEK - AN INVITATION TO WALK WITH JESUS

Palm Sunday

Set up your family table for the week. In the centre place your Palms from Church or some branches. Light a tea light beside it

Lord, we want to walk with you this week and be by your side. Help us to stand by you at every step.

Then Pray:

We are with you today Jesus as you hear the crowds shout Hosanna. Help us to remain with you and stay close to you in this holy week.

Monday of Holy Week

At your family table light your tea light Add a small jar with some oil in it.

Lord we want to walk with you this week and be by your side. Help us to stand by you at every step.

Then Pray:

We are with you today Jesus as Mary anoints your feet and cares for you. Help us to remain with you and stay close to you in this holy week, Help us to care for each other as Mary did for you.

Tuesday of Holy Week

At your family table light your tea light. Add a second tea light and light it with the first.

Lord, we want to walk with you this week and be by your side. Help us to stand by you at every step.

Then Pray:

We are with you today Jesus as Peter gets confused and walks into the dark. Help us to remain with you and stay close to you in this holy week, Be with all those who are walking in darkness and feeling confused. Blow the second tea light out

Wednesday of Holy Week

At your family table light your two tea lights Add a third tea light and place some coins on the table.

Lord, we want to walk with you this week and be by your side. Help us to stand by you at every step.

Then Pray:

We are with you today Jesus as Judas betrays you for thirty pieces of silver. We remember that Judas did not really understand what he was doing. Be with all those who hurt others and don't see what they are doing. Help us to remain with you and stay close to you in this holy week.

Thursday of Holy Week

At your family table light your three tea lights Add a fourth tea light for today. Place a small towel on the table.

Lord, we want to walk with you this week and be by your side. Help us to stand by you at every step.

Then Pray:

We are with you today Jesus as Peter tries to stop you from washing his feet. We remember all those who find it hard receive help from others. Help us to remain with you and stay close to you in this holy week.

Friday of Holy Week

At your family table light your five tea lights. Place a crucifix on the table.

Lord, we want to walk with you this week and be by your side. Help us to stand by you at every step.

Then Pray:

We are with you today Jesus as Judas betrays you, Peter denies you and Mary stands at the foot of the cross. Help us to remain with you and stay close to you, especially today. Be with all those who are suffering in any way today.

Blow out the five tea lights and watch as the flame disappears.

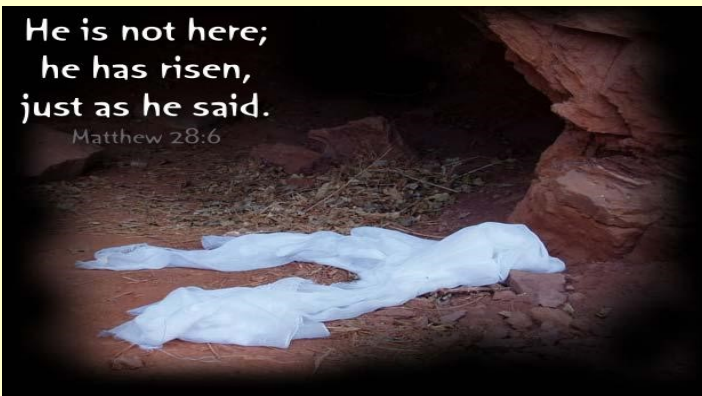
Holy Saturday

It's a day for waiting and keeping quiet. Just leave the candles lighting on the table. Wait for evening time and then place some flowers on the table.

Easter Sunday

He is not here;
he has risen,
just as he said.

Matthew 28:6



He has risen as he said! Alleluia!!!

This is also available on the diocesan website