



PARISH NEWSLETTER

10th OCTOBER 2021
Wicklow & Rathnew
Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
RCN 20016166



Welcome

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

Gospel Reflections ***Real Riches*** ***Donal Neary SJ***

The preacher had placed a mirror at the end of the church. He asked everyone to look in it and at the edge of the mirror was written, 'this is your greatest treasure'. The rich man in the gospel thought treasure was in wealth, and this made him sad. The wisdom of Jesus is that wealth not the final happiness. Our biggest treasure is inside ourselves - each of us made in the image of God, by love and for love.

Does our culture today value the dignity of each person and the treasure that each person is? It's good to have a good house - but sad that it takes up so much energy and expense. Does our hospital care for the elderly and many others value the dignity and the treasure that each person is? Can we go into A and E and say all these people are treasures or just trolley holders? We still have schools and buildings which are substandard for our children.

In any parish the best gift of God to the parish is its people, like in a school or any institution which gathers people together. The rush of life and a general self-centredness can take the focus off the essential in communities and in people. The gospel today asks us to look in the right place for our true wealth and riches - in our giving of time and self to others in the sort of relationships of love which value the worth and dignity of all.

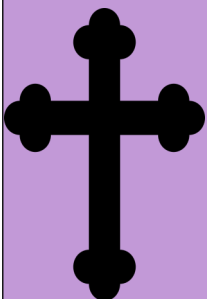
I picture people I know and give thanks to God for each of them

*Let your face shine on us O Lord,
that we may see your reflection in each other.*



Sincere sympathy to the family of ...

*Tommy Buck late of Seaview Heights Rathnew
Valerie Carroll—nee Cleary late of Dunbur Glen*



Mass Intention List



This Weekend ~ 9th & 10th October

- 6.00pm** Bernard (Ben) Kavanagh - 1st Anniversary, Catherine, Mary, Sarah, Judith & Anne Carr, Margaret Marah, George Duffy & deceased members of the Duffy & O'Callaghan families
- 7.00pm** *Special Intention*
- 9.00am** Cathal (Cogs) Martin - 1st Anniversary & remembering his grandfather Leslie Martin
- 10.00am** Baby Anthony Mattius O'Rourke
- 11.30am** Miriam O'Brien, Anna-May Gill, Cathal (Cogs) Martin - 1st Anniversary & remembering his grandfather Leslie Martin

11th - 15th October

- Monday** - Teresa Dunne
- 7.00pm** Leslie Martin & remembering his grandson Cathal Bill O'Toole, Stan & Kay Baird
- Tuesday** - James Madden - Get well Mass - Special Intention ???
- 7.00pm** *Special Intention*
- Wednesday** - Tony Burke & deceased members of Burke & Kavanagh families
- Thursday** - Larry & Mary Kavanagh
- Friday** - Special Intention, Matt Murphy

Next Weekend ~ 16th & 17th October

- 6.00pm** Tom Fitzgerald - 1st anniversary & his wife Helen Charles & Catherine Carr
- 7.00pm** Elizabeth Giffney - 1st Anniversary, John Paul Redmond, Andrew Quinn
- 9.00am**
- 10.00am** Michael (Mick) Carey, Babby Manifold
- 11.30am** Grainne Byrne - Months Mind, Andrew Phillips
- Please note that the Masses in green type are in St Joseph's Rathnew*

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES



The parish offers Religious Education classes for Catholic children attending non Catholic Schools.

Parents who wish to present their child for the Sacraments of First Holy Communion & Confirmation are invited to enrol them for a two year programme of preparation. Classes commenced on Tuesday 28th September .

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Continues on Wednesdays in St. Patrick's Church 10.30am to 12 noon usually finishing with Benediction.

ALPHA FILM SERIES

Is being run online via Zoom. Alpha is an opportunity to explore the basics of the Christian faith and to ask big life questions.

Why not join us on this exciting 10 week journey?

Its on Wednesday evenings beginning on the 22nd September 2021, plus one Saturday from 8pm to 9.15pm. Over 16s are welcome.

Email: alphawicklow@gmail.com for more information or to book a place.

ADORATION TEAM

The Adoration Team is there to provide a continuous presence during exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, which takes place on Wednesdays from 10.30am till 12 noon. So, for this purpose, two team members are rostered to be there all the time. If you would like to join the team, please leave your contact details in the sacristy or with the Parish Office.

Limited availability in the Parish Office now Free of charge!



The Cry of the Earth – The Cry of the Poor

THE CLIMATE CATASTROPHE – CREATION'S URGENT CALL FOR CHANGE

Archbishop Dermot Farrell

Archdiocese of Dublin

New Guidelines from September '21

We are delighted that our Churches are now able to take up to 50% capacity of the buildings. We ask people to continue to maintain social distancing within the church. Parishioners will still need to wear face coverings and also have to sanitise hands on the entrance to the buildings. A huge thank you to all our stewards who have given up their time and put so much effort into keeping our churches open.

PARISH CONTACTS

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Email: parishofficewicklow@gmail.com

Website: www.wicklowparish

Office opening times -

Monday - Friday : 10am - 12.30pm



NEXT WEEKENDS READINGS - 17TH OCTOBER 2021

First Reading : Isaiah 53: 10-11

Responsorial Psalm: 32

Second Reading : Hebrews 4: 14-16

Gospel: Mark 10: 35-45

To reflect on the readings please check catholicireland.net / sacredspace.ie / universalis.com

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS FOR WICKLOW & RATHNEW: 03/10/2021

1ST COLLECTION / COMMON FUND	- pays salaries of Priests of Diocese	-	€ 730
2ND COLLECTION / SHARE	- goes towards diocesan administration	-	€ 360
ENVELOPE/ CHURCH COLLECTION	- goes towards maintaining our parish	-	€ 2855

St Patrick's Conference Wicklow



01 855 0022

PARISH OFFICE

Is open Monday to Friday from 10am till 12.30pm for general enquires, mass bookings, to drop in envelopes, buy mass cards etc.

CHILD SAFEGUARDING OFFICER

Telephone number **087 123 8054**

WICKLOW & RATHNEW

Bayside Alpha are running a free 7-week Zoom course on prayer starting on Wednesday the 22nd of September at 7.30pm. The course is called 40 Days of Prayer and consists of a 60 minute weekly meeting on Zoom which includes a video presentation and a time for prayer and sharing. If you'd like to join please email Paul at alphabayside@gmail.com.]



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.

LECTIO DIVINA

6th Century term meaning 'Sacred Reading'

*Learning to live and love the
Sunday Gospel,
on Wednesday mornings,
from 10.45am till 11.45am
in the
Dominican Ecology Centre.
All are very welcome to attend.*

Wedding Anniversary Mass 2021



Many thanks to all who helped organise this years wedding anniversary Mass. We had couples celebrating 25th, 40th, 50th, 55th & 60th wedding anniversaries.

After the Mass, the families moved over to the Parish centre where our Hospitality team had a wonderful light supper available for everyone. Commemorative certificates along with a parish candle were presented to each couple, and a very pleasant evening was had by all.



Prayer of Saint Francis

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace:
where there is hatred, let me sow love;
where there is injury, pardon;
where there is doubt, faith;
where there is despair, hope;
where there is darkness, light;
where there is sadness, joy.



Children from the parish who received the Sacrament of First Holy Communion on Saturday 2nd October— pictured with Fr Donal



Confirmation candidates from Ashford /Glenealy parish who received the sacrament of Confirmation on Thursday 1st October from Fr Donal Roche - also in the picture is Fr Eamonn Crossan



Confirmation candidates from Ashford /Glenealy parish who received the sacrament of Confirmation on Friday 2nd October from Fr Donal Roche - also in the picture is Fr Eamonn Crossan & Mr O'Malley

THE SALE OF THE YEAR IS BACK!

UNWANTED GIFT SALE, COFFEE MORNING

ART & PHOTO EXHIBITION & SALE

Put the date in your diary!

SUNDAY 7th NOVEMBER, 2021. From 10.00 a.m. to 2.00 p.m.

Maureen & her team are starting to accept unwanted gifts on Thursdays starting on 9th September from 10.30 to 12 at The Pastoral Centre, Wicklow Town or by appointment on any Wed, Thurs, Friday

This year we are also hoping to add an

ART & PHOTO EXHIBITION & SALE

to this event - so if there are any Artists or photographers who would like to donate a painting or photograph, we would be very grateful. The sale

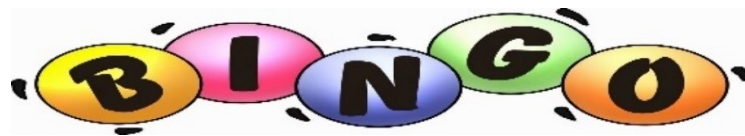
of your donation and proceeds will go to Wicklow Cancer Support & Wicklow Parish.

(PLEASE NOTE THAT WE CANNOT ACCEPT SECOND HAND OR USED ITEMS, NO BOOKS OR CLOTHES)



NEPTUNE BRIDGE CLUB has reopened in the Wicklow Pastoral Centre for fully vaccinated members. Play commences at 7.30 and will be in accordance with Covid Guidelines, i.e. proof of vaccination (first night only) and mask wearing at the table throughout the game.

If your own bridge club is not ready to reopen you will be welcomed in the Neptune Club provided you are fully vaccinated. I am sure we are all looking forward to face-to-face bridge again.



We are delighted to announce that the Wicklow Parish Bingo is back on Monday 11th October at 8pm in the De La Salle Pastoral Centre and everyone is very welcome. Proof of vaccination will be required on the first night.

**Deadline for receipt of items for newsletter is
Tuesday at 3pm.**

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



WEEKLY LOTTO RESULTS
CONGRATULATIONS

CAITRIONA MERRIGAN

WEEKLY €50 RAFFLE WINNER
THIS WEEKS WINNING NUMBERS ARE

2, 25, 27, 28

NEXT WEEKS JACKPOT WILL BE

€1,975

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

*Join by texting the word
WICKLOW to 51444
or go to the website below:*

www.ourparishfundraiser.ie/parish/wicklow

**WARA ~ WICKLOW ACTIVE
RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION**

*meetings have resumed on Tuesday
mornings at 10.45am in the Parish
centre - all are welcome*

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.....



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

AWARE - SUPPORT & SELF CARE GROUPS

If you, or those with whom you work wish to
connect with people in relation to your mental
wellbeing, please consider using the Phone in
and Zoom Support & Self Care Groups, the
Support Line or Support Mail, now and
throughout the holiday season. These services
provide support, coping skills and
information – and most importantly help
people who are in distress to know and feel
that they are not in their experience.

For more information about the groups
[https://www.aware.ie/support/support-
groups/](https://www.aware.ie/support/support-groups/) and all of our services on
www.aware.ie

Life is short.

Smile while
you still have



Teeth.