



PARISH NEWSLETTER

13th February 2022
Wicklow & Rathnew
Sixth 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: Feeling Peace - at the centre of the Beatitudes. Donal Neary SJ

On one of my first visits to a Jesuit house, I felt a huge peace - maybe the beginning of a vocation. In bereavement there can be a moment of peace, which seems to come from nowhere: peace of being totally loved by a good friend or spouse, peace, just peace with the children.

There is a peace that comes from faith and love and that is prayer: peace that comes from knowing I am heard, understood and loved.

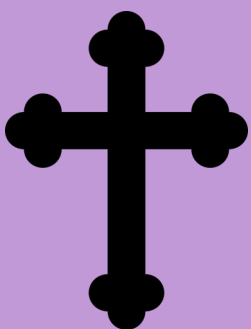
There is a huge need for listening now, for knowing that people care in our world of suicides, addictions to alcohol. We can feel we live in an impersonal world of anxiety and isolation. We need the peace of honest conversation and openness, and the peace of being forgiven.

Peace is not evading difficulty. You are mad worried about a child - somewhere in the middle, like gold in the mud, you find the peace of knowing God's love for you and for him or her. That needs time and a bit of prayer.

It is good to sit each day in silence. Allow this peace to get into you. Breathe in and out, just saying the word peace. That is God's gift to you. There is also a peace from God in doing good and doing the right thing. Jesus knew it was the best gift he could give. It comes from love.

Back to my first visit that day - what caused the peace? I don't know fully. We can be surprised when we will be graced with the peace of Jesus Christ which the world cannot give.

*Give each of us O Lord,
that peace beyond all understanding.*



Sincere sympathy to the families of ...

*Michael (Mick) Fitzgerald late of Glenvale Pk
Mairead Tuíte late of Rosehill
Carmel Murphy late of Pierview*

Mass Intention List



This Weekend ~ 12th & 13th February

- 6.00pm** Harry & Philomena Leonard, Patrick O'Conner,
Aine Chambers
- 7.00pm** Anthony Doyle
- 9.00am** Special Intention
- 10.00am** Frank, Mary & George Newsome & Tommy Marah
- 11.30am** Denis & Kathleen Scanlon - both 1st Anniversaries
Michael Murphy, Edward Marah, Seamus McCarthy

14th February - 18th February

- Monday** - Nick Thermes
- 7.00pm** - Kevin McDonald & deceased members of the
McDonald family
- Tuesday** - Frances O'Byrne RD
- 7.00pm** - Special Intention
- Wednesday** - Seán & Joan Breathnach
- Thursday** - Valerie Cleary RD
- Friday** - Annie Phillips, Dick Fitzpatrick, Frances Roberts
Peter & Líl Byrne

Next Weekend ~ 19th & 20th February

- 6.00pm** John Gannon, Maura (Molly) Kelly - 1st anniversaries
Eileen Nolan - BR, Albert, Elizabeth, Peter (Barney), Patrick
& Noel White, deceased members of the White & O'Brien families
- 7.00pm** Ron Furneaux, Pat & Patrick Jnr Doyle, Tom & Mary
Kelly, deceased members of the Doyle & Kelly families
- 9.00am**
- 10.00am** Josephine Sheelan
- 11.30am** Ann Redmond & Ivor Evans -Months Mind,
Eily Griffin—1st anniversary, Gerry Nolan

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

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS FOR WICKLOW & RATHNEW: 06/02/2022

1ST COLLECTION / COMMON FUND	- pays salaries of Priests of Diocese	- € 895
2ND COLLECTION / SHARE	- goes towards diocesan administration	- € 455
ENVELOPE/ CHURCH COLLECTION	- goes towards maintaining our parish	- €3245



NEXT WEEKENDS READINGS - 20TH FEBRUARY 2022

First Reading : 1 Samuel 26:2,7-69,12-13,22-23
Responsorial Psalm 102: 1-4,8,10,12-13
Second Reading : 1 Corinthians 15:45-49
Gospel: Luke 6: 27-38

PARISH CONTACTS

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Website: www.wicklowparish

Office opening times -

Monday - Friday : 10am - 12noon

PARISH OFFICE is open Monday to Friday from 10am till 12noon for general enquiries, mass / baptism bookings, to drop in envelopes, buy mass cards etc.

Contact number 61699.

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

Any parents who wish to have a child baptised are asked to contact the Parish Office.

There will be an introductory meeting held through zoom which the parents will be expected to attend 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 Baptism zoom meeting will be on Thursday 17th February 2022 at 8pm.

St Patrick's Conference Wicklow



01 855 0022

CHILD SAFEGUARDING OFFICER

Telephone number 087 123 8054

WICKLOW & RATHNEW

DIARY DATES: FEBRUARY

- 1st: St Brigid's Day
- 2nd : The Presentation of our Lord -
World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life
- 3rd: St Blaise - Blessings of Throats
- 6th: Baptisms - Wicklow
- 11th: World Day of the Sick
- 13th: Annual Accord Collection
- 17th : Zoom Baptism Meeting - 8pm
- 20th: Baptisms - Wicklow
- 26th : Baptisms - Rathnew

THIS WEEK'S FEASTDAYS:

17th St Fintan - was born in Leinster. He received his religious formation in Terryglass, Co Tipperary, under the abbot Colum, and was deeply influenced by his penitential practices and the severity of the Rule. Fintan made his own foundation in Clonenagh, Co Laoise. He died in 603

Servite Founders - In the early thirteenth century seven young merchants of Florence decided to help one another live a more perfect Christian lives. As a result of a vision, they became know as the 'Servants of Mary' and followed the rule of St Augustine.



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.



The Pope's Intention for February

*For religious sisters & consecrated
women*

We pray for religious sisters and
consecrated women; thanking
them for their mission and their
courage; may they continue to find new
responses to the challenges of our times.

*HOLY HOUR - will commence
on Monday 14th February from
7.30pm till 8.30pm.
Please note the change of day.*

LECTIO DIVINA

*Learning to love and live
the Sunday Gospels.*

*On Wednesday mornings at
10.45am in the
Dominican Ecology Centre
and all are very welcome.*

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



An Invitation

You are warmly invited to two Synodal gatherings in the parish of Wicklow/ Rathnew. The word “synodal” means journeying together & these gatherings will be an opportunity to share and listen to each other’s experience of Church, in an organised, gentle and prayerful environment.

Why are you being invited?

Pope Francis has asked all of us to take part in sharing and listening to each other and to the Spirit. In this way we are beginning to lay foundations for what our future Church will be. The invitation is to all the baptised. We would particularly like to hear from those who do not attend church on a regular basis. All the responses will be collected in time for the 2023 Synod in Rome.

What will happen at the gatherings?

Parish Animators have been trained to lead the gatherings in a reflective, prayerful atmosphere. Questions will be presented each afternoon and people will gather in small groups to share on each question and listen to each other.

These gatherings will happen in the De La Salle Parish Centre

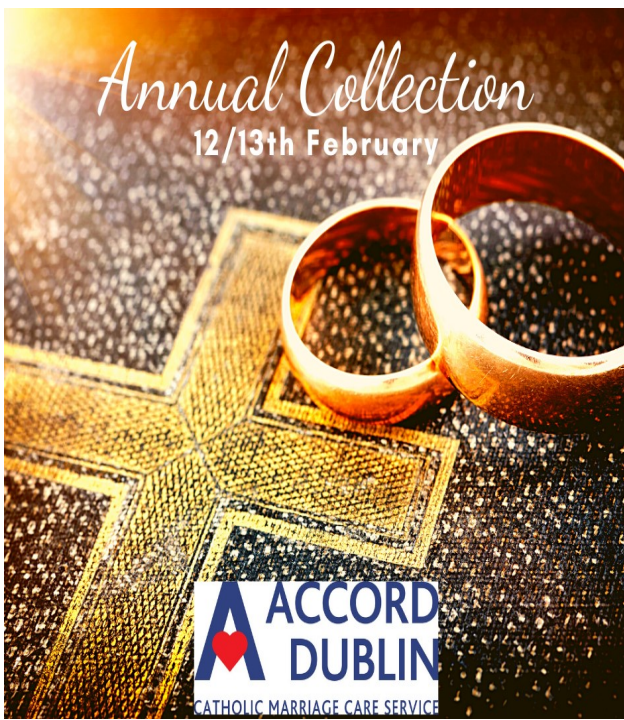
Date: Sunday 13th March

Time : 3.00pm -4.30pm

Date: Sunday 3rd April

Time: 3.00pm -4.30pm.

Your attendance and feedback will be greatly appreciated.



The annual Collection for ACCORD Dublin, the Diocesan Agency for Marriage and the Family, will be made at all Masses on the weekend of 12 & 13 February 2022.

ACCORD Dublin throughout the Diocese offers:

Marriage Preparation courses - online, small groups.

Counselling for couples and individuals experiencing difficulties in their relationships, currently online or by phone.

A Relationship and Sexuality Programme for schools.

ACCORD Dublin needs your support this year more than ever.

Please give generously on 12 & 13 February



WICKLOW BINGO IS BACK IN THE DE LA SALLE PASTORAL CENTRE ON MONDAY NIGHTS STARTING 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.

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

PIONEER MAGAZINE - has unfortunately ceased publication in magazine form and will be doing an online version in the future. The operating costs have been greater than the income for many years and the PTAA is no longer in a position to subsidise the magazine. The annual online subscription will be €20 per annum and can be arranged by getting in touch with Fr Robert McCabe in St Mary's Parish in Navan, or via the website on www.pioneers.ie/newsletter

Historian Pat Power

will host a

Historical Walk

@ St Gabriels Cemetery (old section) Arklow

on 20 Feb 2022 at 2.30pm

(weather permitting)

Admission by Donation

Proceeds to erect a plaque in memory of Archbishop Edward Byrne

Wicklow Town Guild ICA

The Wicklow Town Guild will resume their monthly meetings in The Parish Centre on Monday 14th February at 7.30 pm. Members are looking forward to meeting again and having the opportunity for conversation and learn a new skill or craft.

Listen to speakers on a variety of topics and later in the year resume the cuppa and chat they are renowned for.

New members are always welcome and the activities of the Guild can be viewed on their Website <http://www.icawicklowtown.org>.

or Facebook page [wicklowtownica](https://www.facebook.com/wicklowtownica)

MABS is the Money Advice and Budgeting Service.

If paying your bills is a problem or you have problem debt in any area, including mortgage arrears, bank loans, overdrafts, utilities or credit cards, MABS will work with you to find a solution.

Please call the Bray Office for an appointment on 0818 07 2250. 9am -4.30 Mon - Fri

MABS Helpline 0818 07 2000 / 9-8 Mon - Fri

Visit www.mabs.ie

MEDJUGORJE



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

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ACTIVE RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION

Active Retirement – Activities and Trips

- Tuesday 11 am Coffee Mornings continue – come along and find out about us !
- Learning Irish for fun – Tuesday 11am – no prior knowledge required
- Line dancing follows the coffee morning at 12 md, beginners welcome
- Choir on Friday afternoons, upstairs in the Pastoral Centre 3-4pm
- Trip to Altamont Gardens and Rathwood Shop & Café – Wed 16th February
- Spring holiday planned in Kilkenny – 4 nights, 25th-29th April

AGM 22nd February 11am

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

Jenny Murphy (Secretary) 087 622176. *You will be given a Cead Míle Fáilte.*

Please excuse the appearance of St Patrick's Church at the moment; the Church is in the middle of getting necessary works done to it, but it is causing a lot of dust which inevitably ends up on the seats and ground. Although its cleaned every morning, it is proving difficult to win the battle of the dust.

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



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



Bridge

NEPTUNE BRIDGE CLUB - We are back, hopefully this time for good. Covid restrictions are still in place, ie. masking wearing at the table and regular hand sanitizing. We expect all restrictions to be lifted at the end of February. If your club has not yet reopened, the Neptune Bridge Club welcomes visitors so why not come along and enjoy a game of bridge in a friendly atmosphere. All grades are welcome. We play every Thursday night in the De La Salle Pastoral Centre at 7.30 and are fully insured to accept visitors.

WICKLOW BRIDGE CLUB - has re-opened upstairs in the De La Salle Pastoral Centre. Please be seated by 7.20pm. Facemasks must be worn by everyone for the foreseeable future. We are now welcoming new members to our very warm cosy new location in the parish centre.

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

ANNE CARNEY

€50 winner

THIS WEEKS WINNING NUMBERS ARE

6, 12, 16, 22

NEXT WEEKS JACKPOT WILL BE

€1,475

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



Line dancing with Miriam in Ernie's bar (upstairs) on Thursday evenings commencing 17th Feb.
Beginners welcome from 7-8pm advanced from 8-9.30pm! Great fun for all ☺ enquiries to 087 2875337.

Always pray to have
eyes that see the **best**,
a heart that *forgives*
the worst, a mind that
forgets the bad, & a soul
that never loses **faith**.

