

KILBRIDE, BARNDARRIG & BRITTAS BAY

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

13th August 2023

19th Sunday of Ordinary Time ~ Year A

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Gospel Reflections for the Year of Matthew - Donal Neary

A hand to be Held

A most strange gospel story - **J**esus walks on the water. It's the type of gospel that suits a decision time, challenging us into deep trust - an invitation to come to the water; not to be afraid. It's about trusting in Jesus, when there is nothing else. If you have human help, it's great - but not the same as trusting in God.

In time of death, the call is to trust in God's promise, because he is the way and the truth. Old age can be the same, or times in life when we just don't know what the future will hold. It sounds unusual, but what Jesus does in this situation is very human. He doesn't lecture or say a prayer, he just holds hands. Someone was given a book on bereavement after a family death - he said he needed a hand to be held, or his tears to be heard. That's Je-sus. He held Peter. Our God is a God with skin, with a human heart, who leaves big ideas behind when we are in trouble. Jesus just went across the lake, stopping his comfortable prayer.

There are times when we just need to hold on to God in trust. On another occasion Peter would jump into the lake again - after the resurrection. Always a water man! Then he would be asked not just to hold a hand, but to be the hand that would reach out to others. Peter was prepared for his mission in many ways. As Pope Francis says, 'When the Lord wants to give us a mission, wants to give us a task, He prepares us. He prepares us to do it well' (June 2014).

Remember a time when all you seemed to have was God; thank him.

Or recall when all you needed was God, ask him now for help. Lord, in you I put my trust.

Sometimes you don't realize that Jesus is all you need until Jesus is all you have.



St Kevin's conference of SVP - Barndarrig, Brittas Bay and Kilbride will have a collection on Saturday and Sunday 12th/13th August after all masses.

Your support as normal would be very much appreciated. Late donations can be left in any of the sacristies, given to our priests or dropped into the Parish office, whereby we will ensure they are passed on to the conference.

This week we remember

Saturday 12th
Barndarrig 7.30pm

*George Greene who is recently deceased.
Margaret Bolton, Kate Ashford*

Sunday 13th
Kilbride 9am

Sarah Fleming (A)

Sunday 13th
Brittas Bay 12noon

William Tighe - Months Mind

Next week we remember

Saturday 19th
Barndarrig 7.30pm

Sunday 20th
Kilbride 9am

Sunday 20th
Brittas Bay 12noon

BARNDARRIG, BRITTAS BAY & KILBRIDE PARISH
6th August 2023

ENVELOPE/ CHURCH COLLECTION - goes towards maintaining our parish - € 170
1ST COLLECTION / COMMON FUND - pays salaries of Priests of Diocese - € 740
2ND COLLECTION / SHARE - goes towards diocesan administration - € 380

Many thanks for your continued support.

NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS

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

First Reading : Isaiah 56: 1, 6-7

Psalm 66

Second Reading : Romans 11-13-15,29-32

Gospel : Matthew 15: 21-28

**PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR MOBILE PHONE IS
SWITCHED OFF WHILE IN THE CHURCH.**



Unit 2, First Floor, Rear of Boots Pharmacy, Abbey Street, Wicklow

Have you, or a family member, been diagnosed with Cancer ?

We're here to help!

Phone 0404 32696 or 086 821 6694

Our office is open Mon-Fri from 10.00 -1.00 and 2.00-5.00

Volunteer Drivers Required:

Do you own a car and have some time on your hands ?

Wicklow Cancer Support are seeking to expand their Transport Team due the high volume of demand for this important service.

If interested you can ring our Centre on 0404 32696 or 085 7820916 for full details.

PARISH FACEBOOK

Kilbride, Brittas Bay & Barndarrig have got a new Facebook page where we are posting items to try to build up the page and get it out in the community. Please look us up, share/like and follow us on [Parish of Barndarrig-Brittas Bay-Kilbride](#)

The Wicklow / Rathnew Parish have a Facebook for quite a while now - where we post general church events/ occasions. Please look us up and share/like and follow us on [St. Patrick's Church Wicklow & St Josephs Church Rathnew](#)

PARISH WEBSITE

We are also in the process of updating the website at the moment. It will become a Pastoral Area Website, which will be a great addition to all the parishes in our area. Each parish will have its own platform within the website, and another section that will be common to all parishes. Work started on it about a month ago but it is still a work in progress at the moment however we are hopeful that its only a few weeks away now before we launch it.

Many thanks to
William Doyle Undertaker
for continuing to sponsor the website and agreeing to the review /update of the current site.

THE FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION MASS TIMES IN THE PASTORAL AREA ARE

VIGIL MASSES - 14th AUGUST 2023

Wicklow at 7.00pm
Barndarrig at 7.30pm
Glenealy at 7.30pm

HOLY DAY MASSES 15th AUGUST 2023

Wicklow at 10.00am
Ashford at 10.00am
Rathnew at 7.00pm

Barndarrig Big Fun Day

Games for All

Arts & Crafts

Music by the Maguires

Cake Sale

**Saturday
August 26
2023**

In the grounds of
**St Mary's
National School**
12 to 3 p.m.
All welcome

YOUNG ADULT CAMINO

Summer 2024

Register your interest using the QR Code below



Full Details and Booking available from September.

Send all queries to: natalie.doherty@dublindiocese.ie



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
14TH SEPTEMBER
AT 8PM IN THE
DE LA SALLE 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.....

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GROW

run peer support groups in Wicklow on a Wednesday afternoon at 2.30 to 4.30 in De La Salle Parish Centre. They are self referral and no charge for anyone struggling with depression, anxiety or low mood and offer a tried and tested method of self help and personal growth. Meetings are confidential. Ring Trish for further info on 086 0129 082. And see Grow.ie to listen to stories of Hope and Recovery.

Active Retirement Activities & Trips

Now with 105 members, we are one of the largest Groups in Ireland

Follow us on our facebook page:
Wicklow Active Retirement HAS CLOSED FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST AND WILL RESUME ON TUESDAY 5TH OF SEPTEMBER

If you would like to join active retirement or find out more, please do feel free to ring Pauline on 087 227 6760

"Teaching kids to count is fine, but teaching them what counts is best."

BOB TALBERT