



PARISH NEWSLETTER

15th May 2022
Wicklow & Rathnew
Fourth Sunday of Easter
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

The glory of God in St John's gospel is another word for his love.

We have types of love, and for most of us we find it in our lasting friendships, our spouses, our partners, our family – those without whom life would be so much the poorer.

Real love transforms. Opens the heart more and more. We get out of ourselves in real love – caring, forgiving, getting over things. In all sincere and outgoing love between any two people, God is present. Love brings God alive in us. Not the love that is in name only and uses each other. But love that sees the other as more important than myself.

We say, 'love made him'. Parents say – 'I hope they find friends who will bring the best out of each other'. Mauriac writes- "To love someone is to see a miracle invisible to others." The example of Jesus can help us at times when it can be hard to see goodness even in those we love.

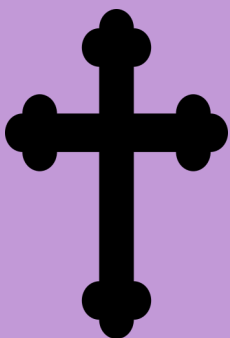
Real love heals. Only love makes the best out of the worst. In concentration camps the survivors were often those who had love to remember or go back to. Even when things go very badly in life, the forgiveness of love can help us move forward.

Lord, help me to be truly grateful for love in my life.



Sincere sympathy to the families of ...

*Fr Joseph Doran late of Barndarrig parish
Christine Roche late of St Laurence's Road
Trevor McWilliams late of Leitrim Place
Frank Scallan from Wexford (Seamus Walker's
father in law)*



Mass Intention List



This Weekend ~ 14th - 15th May

- 6.00pm** Cora Crennan, Coley Murley, Willie Earls & grandson
Adrian Doyle
- 7.00pm** *Frank Kelly RD*
- 9.00am** *Liam Shanahan RD*
- 10.00am** Dymphna & Óisín Cooney, Maeve Moloney, Vivien Moloney
- 11.30am** Mielo Kowneco - 1st Anniversary, Don Marah,
Jim Carney, May & William O'Neill, Eddie Hanlon BR,
Noeleen Shortall, Winifred Lambert,
Thomas Delahunt & his daughters Kathryn & Ashling

16th ~ 20th May

- Monday** Funeral Mass of Christine Roche RIP
- 7.00pm** *Beata Mickiewicz RD*
- Tuesday** Marie Ryan
- 7.00pm** *Betty Crosbie*
- Wednesday** Rosaleen Earls
- Thursday** Patrick Davis & deceased members of the Davis &
Fitzpatrick families
- Friday** Maura Lynch RD

Next Weekend ~ 21st - 22nd May

- 6.00pm** Ann, Lily & Timmy Kelly, Tommy O'Sullivan, Tom O'Neill
Donald, Gráinne & Gina McCormack
- 7.00pm** *Art Dickenson*
- 9.00am**
- 10.00am** *Tom Kehoe*
- 11.30am** Maria Byrne - 1st anniversary, Yvette Davis,
Kathleen Michaels, John Hogan, Eamonn Deehan
- Please note that the Masses in green type are in St Joseph's Rathnew*

St Patrick's Conference Wicklow



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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.

CHILD SAFEGUARDING OFFICER

Telephone number 087 123 8054

WICKLOW & RATHNEW

DIARY DATES: MAY

- 31st /1st: Collection for Parish Lourdes Group
1st : Baptisms - Wicklow
8th: Day of Prayer for Vocations.
14 /15: Collection to Support Lay Ministry in the
Archdiocese of Dublin
15th : Baptisms - Wicklow
21st : Baptisms - Rathnew,
26th: Zoom Baptism Meeting - 8.00pm
29th: The Ascension of the Lord,
World Communications Day - Theme: Listen!
31st: The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

The Pope's Intention for May

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### For faith-filled young people

We pray for all young  
people, called to live life  
to its fullest; may they  
see in Mary's life the  
way to listen, the depth  
of discernment, the  
courage that faith  
generates, and the  
dedication to service.



## NEXT WEEKENDS READINGS - 22ND MAY 2022

First Reading :Acts 15: 1-2, 22-29

Responsorial Psalm: 66:2-3,5-6,8

Second Reading : Apocalypse 21: 10-14,22-23

Gospel: John 14: 23-29

## WEEKLY COLLECTIONS FOR WICKLOW & RATHNEW:

**8th April**

|                                     |                                        |          |
|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|----------|
| <b>1ST COLLECTION / COMMON FUND</b> | - pays salaries of Priests of Diocese  | - € 631  |
| <b>2ND COLLECTION / SHARE</b>       | - goes towards diocesan administration | - € 330  |
| <b>ENVELOPE/ CHURCH COLLECTION</b>  | - goes towards maintaining our parish  | - € 2015 |
| <b>FUNDRAISING APPEAL ENVELOPES</b> | - goes towards parish structural works | - € 0    |

*Many thanks for your continued support.*

## LAY MINISTRY COLLECTION – MAY 14th & 15th

The Archdiocese of Dublin Lay Ministry Collection takes place this Saturday and Sunday, May 14 and 15. The Lay Ministry Collection will support the development of a variety of lay ministries, providing for more women and men to work alongside the priests and deacons. Our hope is that lay ministry will make a significant contribution to pastoral life into the future.

Donations can be made online at <https://pay-payzone.easypaymentsplus.com/customer/10012/product-list/>.

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

### 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

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#### 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

**HOLY HOUR - has resumed on  
Monday evenings at 8pm - all are  
welcome to join us.**

### THANK YOU

The parish Lourdes Team would like to thank all those who contributed to the Church-door collection and the Wicklow Bingo raffle over the past couple of weeks. The total collected was €1851 and we are very grateful for the generosity of the parishioners and bingo people.

We would also like to thank all those who contributed to the bag pack in SuperValu and to our volunteer collectors and bag packers.

### SACRAMENT OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

7th May: St Patricks NS at 11.00am

14th May: Holy Rosary NS  
at 11am & 12.30pm

15th May: Montessori NS 10am

21st May: Gaelscoil NS 11.30

28th May: St Coens NS  
at 11 & 12.30pm



### PARISH COFFEE MORNING

There will be a coffee morning in the Parish Centre on Friday 20th May after the 10am Mass.

All are very welcome to join us for a cuppa and a chat - no charge on the door - just a very warm welcome!



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 - 26TH MAY AT 8PM**

This meeting is via zoom.

## **THIS WEEK'S FEASTDAYS:**

### **15TH MAY: ST CARTHAGE, (OR MOCHUTA)**

hailed from a rich family in Kerry. As he loved chanting of the psalms, the local king arranged for him to become a priest. Having spent a year possibly at Bangor he founded his own monastery at Rahan in 595. It grew rapidly. However, opposition made him move southwards around 637. Along with hundreds of monks and their patients from the leper colony he finally arrived at Lismore, where he made a foundation. He died in 638

### **16TH MAY : ST BRENDAN,**

Was a Kerry man who was born 486. He studied at Clonard under Finnian. His name is connected with many places in Kerry such as Ardfert and Mount Brandon. He visited Scotland and reached the Hebrides and possibly areas beyond. He founded a monastery in Clonfert in 568 and died there in 578

### **20TH MAY : ST BERNARDINE**

was born in Siena in 1380. He became a Franciscan , travelled through Italy, preaching with great success. He promoted devotion to the Holy Name & to St Joseph. He died in 1444



## **ROSARY AT THE GROTTTO**

The "Rosary at the Grotto" will take place at the Grotto in Rathnew, during the month of May.

We invite you to join us and thousands of people in Ireland during the month of May. The Rosary will be recited each evening at 8pm beginning on Sunday, May 1, and ending with a special devotion on Tuesday, May 31.

Please spread the word and let's honour Our Blessed Mother all over Ireland throughout the month of May

## ***SYNOD FEEDBACK INFORMATION***

*There is a printout of the information from the Synod meetings available at the Church doors. Many thanks to all those who attended and participated in the meetings and to all those who collated the information.*

*Congratulations to the children from Holy Rosary National School & Wicklow Montessori School who will receive the Sacrament of First Holy Communion this weekend.*



# THE SALE OF THE YEAR IS BACK!

## THE UNWANTED GIFT SALE & COFFEE MORNING



Put the date in your diary!

**SUNDAY 6th NOVEMBER, 2022.**

From 10.00 a.m. to 2.00 p.m.

Maureen & her team are starting to accept unwanted gifts on Wednesdays starting in June from 10am at The Pastoral Centre, Wicklow Town

This year we are also hoping to add an

## UNWANTED CLOTHES SALE

but clothes must be new and with the tags still on

The sale proceeds will go to Wicklow Cancer Support & Wicklow Parish.

**(PLEASE NOTE THAT WE CANNOT ACCEPT SECOND HAND OR USED ITEMS OR BOOKS OR CLOTHES)**



*St Patrick's National School - First Holy Communion Day 7th May 2022*



# Active Retirement-Activities and Trips

Now with 96 members, we are one of the largest Groups in Ireland

Coffee mornings continue this Tuesdays 11 am

Irish teaching @ 10.30 before coffee morning Tuesday

Computer Training 12.15 after coffee morning

Line dancing 12 md after coffee morning

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

Christmas Lunch □ Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> May. Fully booked out

Theatre Trip - fully booked

Planning a local trip for Tuesday the 14<sup>th</sup> June as the Pastoral Centre won't be available - details to follow

So, watch this space and updates on our facebook page: Wicklow Active Retirement

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.*

## WICKLOW DEMENTIA SUPPORT CLG

Wicklow Dementia Support CLG is registered charity set up to support people with dementia maintain their interests and independence and live life to the full in their community.

We provide a number of programmes to support people with dementia living in east Co Wicklow including the Wicklow Activity group which takes place in An Tairseach, Wicklow town on Wednesdays from 11am to 12.30pm. This group provides people with dementia an opportunity to meet with their peers and take part in activities of interest to them. Other programmes include AlzPals, a befriending service, Musical Memories, a weekly music session that takes place in Greystones and Carer Support groups.

For an application form,

email: [info@wicklowdementiasupport.org](mailto:info@wicklowdementiasupport.org)

or call 089 4286928

## MOVEMBER THANK YOU

Fr Pat, Dolores, Therese and Wicklow Cancer Support would like to express their thanks to all who sponsored Fr Pat on his recent MOVEMBER fundraiser. He raised €1615.00 for the Wicklow Cancer Support group who were very grateful for the donation.



YOU'RE NOT ALONE

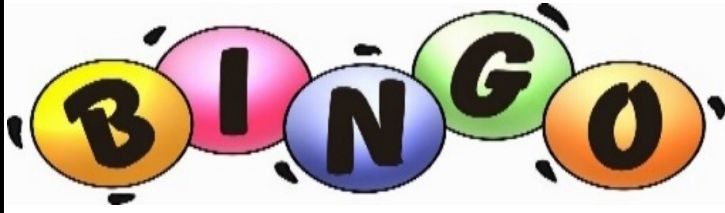
CORONAVIRUS HELPLINE FOR OLDER PEOPLE

**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](http://www.alone.ie)

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.

## WEEKLY PARISH LOTTO RESULTS

**CONGRATULATIONS**

**JOE HANLON**

**€50 winner**

**THIS WEEKS WINNING NUMBERS ARE**

**2, 4, 22, 25**

**NEXT WEEKS JACKPOT WILL BE**

**€2,650**

*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*

### EASTER DUES

**Easter Dues envelopes are now available. This collection is a vital source of support to the priests of the diocese. All donations go into the Common Fund which pays the salaries of all the priests, including those sick and retired.**

**Your support is greatly appreciated.**

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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Each day we live is a Gift,... so thank God in the morning for another day of life, and thank God in the evening for getting you through the day.