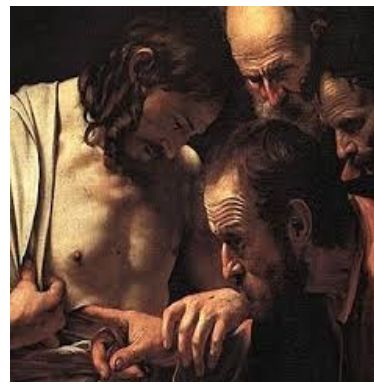


PARISH NEWSLETTER

16th April 2023

Second Sunday of Easter Year A

Wicklow & Rathnew
RCN 20016166



Gospel reflection Donal Neary Thanks, Thomas!

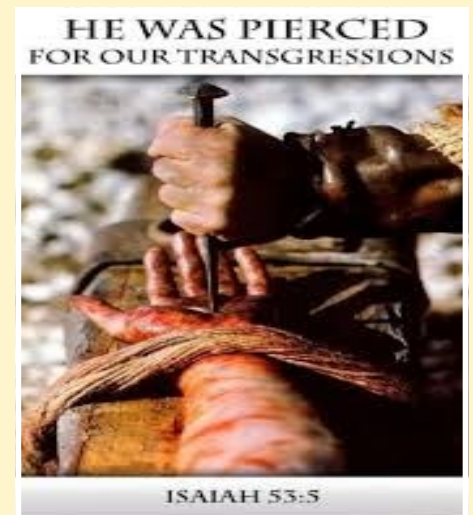
Thomas ... thanks! For bringing honesty into our faith. He didn't pretend that he was better than he was. He began by wanting proof and ended by being glad of faith. He is the patron saint of transitions and steps in faith. Faith is a journey. He is the saint of faith in our times. The community was the place he found faith, having lost it when he tried to go it alone. Then he came back to the community of faith and went on a journey of life that took him to martyrdom in India.

He also found Christ in wanting to touch his wounds. We find God when we enter into his wounds in the wounds of our world.

In the faith community of the church we can keep our faith. Our faith grows here too. Thomas looked for faith by wanting to touch the wounds of Jesus. When Jesus invited him to do so, he found he didn't need to. He found faith in being present with the wounded Christ and discovered there his faith in the glory of Christ.

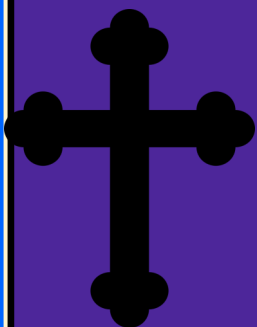
We can do the same. What was said to Thomas is said to us all: 'You believe because you can see me. Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe.'

*Recall those who have strengthened your faith and be grateful;
picture each person and pray for each of them.
Lord, I believe, strengthen my belief*



Sincere sympathy to the families of

Edmund Symes late of Knockrobin



Mass Intention List



This Weekend ~ 15th & 16th April

- 6.00pm** Johnny & Paul Murphy, Una Lockhart,
Jack Fox & deceased members of the
Fox & Robinson families
- 7.00pm** *Kitty Jameson - Months Mind, Carmel Culbert*
- 10.00am** James & Mary Grant
- 11.30am** Leo Byrne - Months Mind, Tom Porter, Bill Scott,
Kit & Ron Hagan, Betty Fitzpatrick

17th ~ 21st April

- Monday** Frances Douglas (A)
- 7.00pm** *Paddy, Alice, Mary & Michael Sexton, Jimmy Dilworth*
- Tuesday** Thomas Magee - 1st Anniversary
- 7.00pm** *Edward Jameson (A)*
- Wednesday** Laoise Walsh (A)
- Thursday** Ann Coffey (RD)
- Friday** Special Intention

Next Weekend ~ 22nd & 23rd April

6.00pm

7.00pm

10.00am Elizabeth Daly (RD in Birmingham)

11.30am Margaret & Tommy Hogan, Vincent Byrne RD

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



Thank You to all our Volunteers!

Many thanks to all the volunteers in all the churches, who lent a hand and worked so hard during Holy Week and at the Easter Services.

If you helped with the cleaning or preparation of the Church, or helped in anyway with planning the Services, or were involved in any of the Church Ministries from Altar Serving to singing in the choir-

**THANK YOU FOR BUILDING HOPE
IN OUR CHURCH COMMUNITY.**

The Pope's Intention for April

For a culture of peace and non violence



We pray for the spread of peace and non violence, by decreasing the use of weapons by States and citizens.

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS FOR WICKLOW & RATHNEW:

9th April 2023

ENVELOPE/ CHURCH COLLECTION - goes towards maintaining our parish - €2760
1ST COLLECTION / COMMON FUND - pays salaries of Priests of Diocese - €2305
2ND COLLECTION / SHARE FUND - goes towards diocesan administration - €1160

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 : Acts 2: 14,22-33

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 15: 1-2, 5-7,7-11

Second Reading : 1 Peter 1: 17-21

Gospel : Luke 24: 13-35

**EAST COAST FM -
WICKLOW WIDE
COFFEE MORNING:**

**WICKLOW CANCER
SUPPORT
DE LA SALLE
PASTORAL
CENTRE**

**FRIDAY NEXT 21ST
APRIL - 10 A.M -
12.30 P.M.**

DONATE

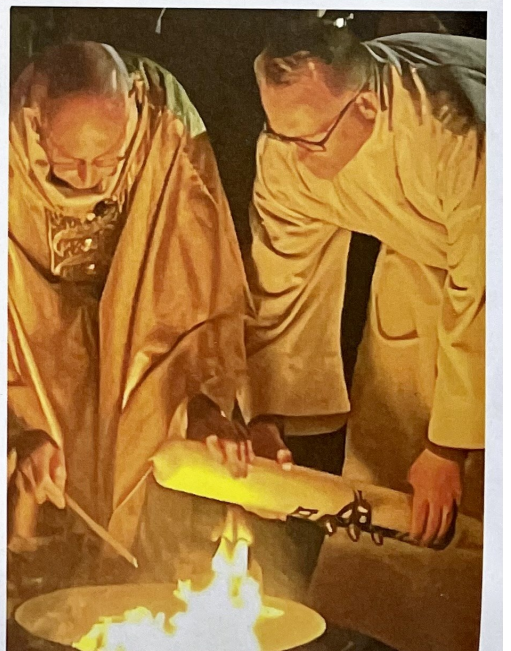
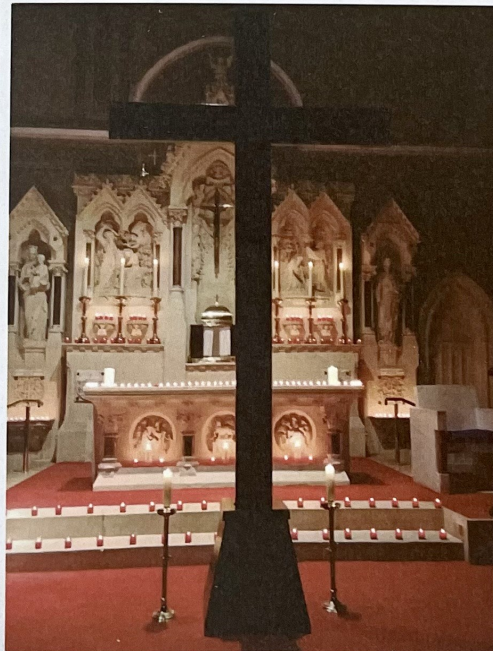


**IT IS FOUR YEARS
SINCE OUR LAST EAST
COAST FM EVENT DUE
TO COVID AND WE ARE
REALLY LOOKING
FORWARD TO
MEETING ALL
OUR OLD FRIENDS
AND NEW.**

**COME ALONG ENJOY
TEA/COFFEE/CAKES/
ENTERTAINMENT
AND A SUPER
RAFFLE.**

**THIS IS A GREAT
COMMUNITY EVENT
NOT TO BE MISSED!**

Easter Ceremonies 2023, at St Patrick's Church, Wicklow



LOURDES



WICKLOW RATHNEW LOURDES PILGRIMAGE 2023

Accompanied by Spiritual Director
Group Organiser: Nancy Colgan

19 August 2023

**5 Nights from Dublin Airport
€879 per person sharing**

- » Direct return flights
- » Return airport transfers in Lourdes
- » 5 nights in the Hotel La Solitude
- » Full Board: breakfast, lunch & dinner each day
- » Full religious programme including Mass at the Grotto, Anointing of the Sick, Torchlight Procession, Blessed Sacrament Procession & International Mass
- » Full assistance of Joe Walsh Tours guides and representatives throughout the pilgrimage and at airports
- » Optional travel insurance from €39 per person

For information and bookings, please contact:

Nancy Colgan 086 1099112 Parish Office 0404 61699
Catherine Marah 0404 68389 Carol Kavanagh 086 0601956

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MEDJUGORJE



Pilgrimage to Medjugorje

Group Leader: Marian O'Meara
Led by Fr Pat O'Rourke

**11 October 2023
7 nights**

€799.00 per person

- » 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
- » Optional Travel Insurance
- » Single room supplement €154.00

For information please contact:

Marian O'Meara: 085 8031751

**Booking for this years pilgrimages are now open -
easy pay schedule available**

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Fr Pat O Rourke: 0404 67133

Parish Office: 0404 61699

parishofficewicklow@gmail.com

**BBK Website: work
in progress**

**Office opening times
Monday - Friday:**

10am – 12.30pm

For all enquires and bookings

DIARY DATES: APRIL

1st/2nd: Lourdes Collection

2nd: Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion
Baptisms - Wicklow

6th: Holy Thursday
Mass of the Lord's Supper

7th: Good Friday
Celebration of the Lord's Passion

8th: Holy Saturday Vigil at 9pm

9th: Easter Sunday

16th: Baptisms - Wicklow /
Divine Mercy Sunday

22nd: Baptisms - Rathnew

29th: Annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock

Email Queries: knockpilgrimage@dublindiocese.ie

Active Retirement Activities & Trips

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

Tuesdays, from 10.45am till 1.00pm/ Line Dancing 12 noon

Trip to Custom House & EPIC - The Immigration Museum - Wed 19th April

Spring Holiday to North Wales 15th -19th May.

Follow us 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
Pauline on 087 227 6760



**For information on the Wicklow Town Heritage Trail,
visit www.wicklowntown.ie**

**JOIN OUR FREE GUIDED WALK EACH SATURDAY MORNING at 11am
commencing from outside the Tourist Office in Fitzwilliam Square,
Wicklow Town. Walk will take approximately 2 hours, spending some
time at each key location.**

**These guided walks will take place each Saturday until Saturday 30th
September 2023.**

Join us for this very informative and entertaining trail through Wicklow Towns past telling
it's rich history from the landing of St. Patrick in 432 to the end of the Civil War in 1923.

**The Heritage Trail is an initiative of The Wicklow Town Team and Wicklow
Municipal Council and was funded by Wicklow County Partnership.**

WICKLOW BRIDGE CLUB CHARITY NIGHT in aid of S.A.D.S. (SUDDEN ADULT DEATH SYNDROME)

is being held in The Pastoral Centre, Wicklow - Tuesday 18th April 7.30pm.

This is an open night and everyone is welcome.

Your support for this very worthy cause would be greatly appreciated.

WEEKLY PARISH LOTTO RESULTS

Congratulations

BETTY TEAHAN

13th April 2023: €50 raffle winner
Weekly winning numbers: 8, 13, 16, 18

Please call into the office to collect your prize.

JACKPOT IS €5000

*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*

A sincere "THANK YOU" to all who support this Lotto!

Please note the Parish Privacy Notice is currently under review. A new version will be published very soon. If you have any questions or require further information, please email Noelle Dowling at dataprotection@dublindiocese.ie.

Any notices for the newsletter need to be with the Parish Office by 12 noon on Wednesdays.

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

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THE MOST HUMBLING
STATEMENT WE CAN SAY IS,
"I am nothing without God."
AND THE MOST POWERFUL
STATEMENT IS,
"With God, I can do anything."
