



PARISH NEWSLETTER

19th September 2021
Wicklow & Rathnew
Twenty Fifth 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 *The War Inside* **Donal Neary SJ**

We've had a lot of war-history in recent years, - but James talks of another battlefield: wars of good and evil and conflicting desires within ourselves. In every war there is the evil fighting in the souls of the generals.

Same with ourselves - good things emerge to be done and we allow other less good take over – visit someone sick but there is a match; help a neighbour but there's a party; visit the parents and something else happens, go to Mass and the sun comes out and we go to the beach.

Desires to control people, greed, sexual exploitation of young and not so young, we know more from our own experience. Big greed could have started with a fight over ice-cream at home, and somebody always getting their way at the expense of others.

Jesus' saving love can help us bring out the best in ourselves. His cross is our peace – within ourselves and within nations. This is the reconciliation Jesus promises from the cross...peace within us and peace among us. The apostles got into a row who is the greatest.

They wanted to follow Jesus but something else took over.



Can we bring into ourselves the best of the child Jesus praises, and find God - the Father whom we trust, happy to rest in the regard he has for us, with no need to worry about who is the greatest!

With every inbreath, breathe in God's love and allow it fill your being. Heart of God, heart of Jesus, I place my trust in you.

The Lord is my strength and my shield; in him my heart trusts. I was helped, my heart rejoices and I praise him with my song

Psalm 28



Mass Intention List



This Weekend ~ 18th & 19th September

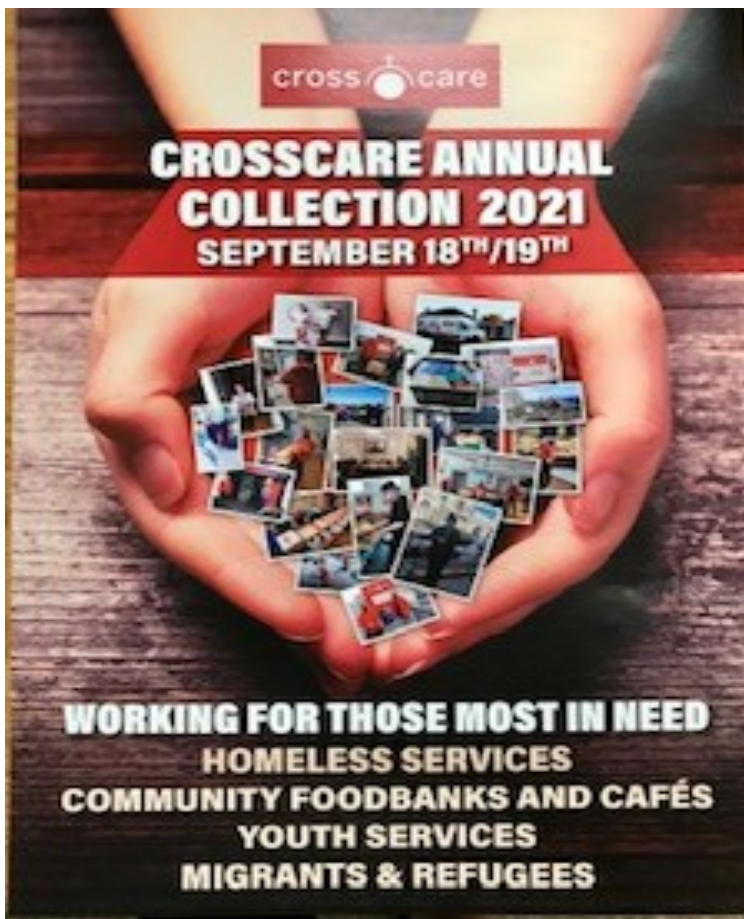
- 6.00pm** Michael & Anne Barry, Thomas & Margaret Barry
Elizabeth Curran
- 7.00pm** Tom Kennedy
- 9.00am** Leo Devlin & deceased members of the Duffy family,
Jim & Essie Doyle
- 10.00am** William Sinnott, Miriam Burke RD
- 11.30am** Mary Gallagher - 1st Anniversary, Laurence Dunne,
William, Julia & Liam O Reilly, Mary Killeen,
Paula Tarrant

20th - 24th September

- Monday** - Dick Giblin
- 7.00pm** Special Intention
- Tuesday** - Ken Haughton - 1st Anniversary
- 7.00pm** Special Intention
- Wednesday** - Mass for healing for a special Intention
- Thursday** - Michael Lambert
- Friday** - Paul Tarmey - in remembrance

Next Weekend ~ 25th & 26th September

- 6.00pm** Martin & Mary Carr, Patrick Carr, Josefina Gozun
- 7.00pm** Mícheál Jameson
- 9.00am**
- 10.00am** Jack & Mannix Murphy & deceased members of the
Murphy & Gregan families, Cathy Healy RD
- 11.30am** Vivienne Jarrett— Months Mind, Special Intention,
Tony & Emí Duggan, Noel Furlong, Christina Doherty—
& deceased members of the Doherty family
- Please note that the Masses in green type are in St Joseph's Rathnew*



Crosscare Annual Collection 2021

The Annual Collection for Crosscare, the social support agency of the Archdiocese of Dublin will be taken up at all Masses in the Diocese on the weekend of 18th and 19th September 2021. It will replace the usual Share collection.

Through their services for Homeless, Youth, Migrants and Refugees, Crosscare focuses on helping people and families when they need it most or when they can't find support anywhere else. In their Community Foodbanks and Cafés, they provide food parcels and nutritious meals every day. Demand for their services continues to increase as the pandemic has impacted the most vulnerable in our parishes and communities.

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 will commence on Tuesday 28th September .

Enrolments will take place between Monday 20th - Friday 24th between 10am & 12noon in the Parish Office.



September 2021 ~ New Guidelines

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.

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

NEXT WEEKENDS READINGS - 26TH SEPTEMBER 2021



First Reading : Numbers 11: 25-29

Responsorial Psalm: 18

Second Reading : James 5: 1-6

Gospel: Mark 9: 38-43, 45, 47-48

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

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS FOR WICKLOW & RATHNEW: 12/09/2021

1ST COLLECTION / COMMON FUND	- pays salaries of Priests of Diocese	-	€ 660
2ND COLLECTION / SHARE	- goes towards diocesan administration	-	€ 350
ENVELOPE/ CHURCH COLLECTION	- goes towards maintaining our parish	-	€ 2950

Many thanks for your continued support.

St Patrick's Conference Wicklow



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PARISH CONTACTS

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Fr Pat O Rourke: 0404 67133

Wicklow Sacristy: 0404 69031

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**Website: [www.wicklowparish](http://www.wicklowparish)**

**Office opening times -**

**Monday - Friday : 10am - 12.30pm**

## **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 [alphabay-side@gmail.com](mailto:alphabay-side@gmail.com).]

## **LECTIO DIVINA**

6th Century term meaning 'Sacred Reading'

*Learning to live and love the  
Sunday Gospel,  
on Wednesday mornings,  
starting 22nd September,  
from 10.45am till 11.45am  
in the  
Dominican Ecology Centre.  
All are very welcome to attend.*



Are you celebrating your  
**65th, 60th, 55th, 50th, 40th or 25th**  
wedding anniversary this year?

The Annual Wedding Anniversary Mass will be  
on Friday 8th October at 7.30 p.m.  
in St. Patrick's Church.

*Invitations will be sent out to couples who were married in St. Patrick's Church, Wicklow, and St. Joseph's Church, Rathnew. We would like to extend an invitation to any couple and their families who were **not** married here, but who are celebrating any of these anniversaries, to join us, on the occasion.*

*If you wish to attend on the night please complete the slip on this newsletter and leave in the Sacristy or Parish Office **as soon as possible**. Following Mass there will be a presentation of Commemorative Certificates and refreshments will be served in the De La Salle Parish Centre after the Mass.*

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**WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS 2021**

(please print clearly)

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE OF MARRIAGE \_\_\_\_\_

We will have \_\_\_\_\_ family members with us.



*Congratulations to the children of the parish who received the Sacrament of First Holy Communion last Saturday 11th September, pictured with Fr Donal Roche & Fr David Vard.*



*First Holy Communion children ~ 11th September 2021*

## **Vacancy for a Parish Secretary Ashford/Glenealy Parish**

Ashford/Glenealy Parish has a vacancy for a part-time Parish Secretary (15 hours per week).

If you are interested in this position, please post your letter of application and current CV to Fr. Eamonn Crosson, Parochial House, Ashford, Co. Wicklow or by email to [eamonncrosson@gmail.com](mailto:eamonncrosson@gmail.com)

**Closing Date: 5.00pm on Friday, 8 October 2021**

## **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](mailto:alphawicklow@gmail.com) for more information or to book a place.**



## 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)**



**... Is back !!!!!!!**

**Monday night Bingo in the De La Salle Pastoral Centre  
Wednesday night in St Brigid's Hall, Rathnew**

**Both at 8pm and everyone is very welcome**

WICKLOW ACTIVE RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION  
are planning to open shortly - all members  
will be notified by text as to the return date  
very soon !

**THE THREE TENORS**  
will be performing a concert on  
Saturday 18th September, at 8pm  
in the CHURCH OF IRELAND, Church Hill  
Wicklow. Tickets are available in 'Bridge  
Street Books' & online on Eventbrite.ie



**WICKLOW CANCER SUPPORT**

UNIT 2, FIRST FLOOR,

REAR OF LEONDARD & MULVEY (BUTLERS) PHARMA-  
CY ABBEY 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.

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**  
*Continues on Wednesdays in  
St. Patrick's Church 10.30am to  
12 noon, usually finishing with  
Benediction.*

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**

**Shane Carroll**

**WEEKLY €50 RAFFLE WINNER  
THIS WEEKS WINNING NUMBERS ARE**

**7, 9, 10, 23**

**NEXT WEEKS JACKPOT WILL BE**

**€1,775**

*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*



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)

**WICKLOW SAVINGS CLUB**

Are delighted to announce that they have resumed in the De La Salle Pastoral Centre on Monday afternoons from 1.30pm till 4pm.

This is a great way to save for Christmas.

You can save as little or as much as you want.

Why not drop in and check it out, the Savings team would be delighted to meet you.

**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 alone in their experience. For more information about the groups <https://www.aware.ie/support/support-groups/> and all of our services on [www.aware.ie](http://www.aware.ie)

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.....

**LIFE**

The adventure of life is to learn.  
The purpose of life is to grow.  
The nature of life is to change.  
The challenge of life is to overcome.  
The essence of life is to care.  
The opportunity of life is to serve.  
The secret of life is to dare.  
The spice of life is to befriend.  
The beauty of life is to give.

