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Gospel reflections - Donal Neary S.J - World of love

In a family so much love is lavished on the new-born first child, and you hear them saying that's the end of freedom now for a good few years. Or the grandchildren come and there's the babysitting. Life deepens love and narrows our freedom. Jesus says elsewhere that love is the door to eternal life. In laying down life for a friend, the cross was a narrow door.

Real love means little things a lot of the time, and with God it means time now and then dedicated to prayer and to worship, as well as loving our neighbour.

Love demands a lot as well as giving a lot. With the people we most love, we are most vulnerable and they can bring the worst and the best out in us.

The sick child, the elderly in the family, those in prison or in a difficult marriage call on our love, as does a husband or wife needing a lot of care in illness or old age. There is a special love shown by volunteers in our country and the developing world. The grandchild who is isolated and lonely calls too on our love. This is the world of love, the only world worth sacrificing anything for.

The condition for entering is not where you come from, whether you are first or last, whether you wear the right clothes or even turn up on time - the condition is that, in the way of the living God, you hear the word of God daily and live by it faithfully.



Lord, may your will of love be done on Earth.



Annie Ryan late of Ocean View & formerly St Laurence's Road

# Mass Intention List

This Weekend ~ 20th & 21st August

6.00pm	Margaret Healy, Tína Conroy, Steven Devlín
7.00pm	Special Intention
10.00am	n Ray Billington (A & BR)
11.30am	May Mason - 1st Anníversary, Teresa Dunne

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

	15th - 19th August
Monday	Clodagh McEllígot, Teresa, Tommy & Noel Power,
	Agnes Kelly (A)
7.00pm	Denís Fítzpatríck RD
Tuesday	Norah Gladney RD
7.00pm	Ríta Savage RD
Wednesday	Ken McLean (A)
Thursday	Chrístína Doran, John Byrne (A)
Fríday	Jím Víckers (BR)

	Next Weekend ~ 20th & 21st August
6.00pm	Rodney Hodgkínson, Margaret Hodgkínson BR
7.00pm	
10.00am	Bíll & Maureen O'Bríen, Eíleen Grace,
	Raymond Howes
11.30am	Eugene Tíghe, Noel & Mary Gallagher
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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 - 8TH SEPT AT 8PM IN THE PARISH CENTRE** Please contact the parish office to give your details

## **MASS SCHEDULE**

For the parishes of Wicklow, Ashford and Barndarrig

Saturday Vigil: 6pm Wicklow 6pm Ashford 7pm Rathnew 7pm Barndarrig

#### Sunday Morning:

9am Kilbride and 9am Glenealy 10am Wicklow and 10am Brittas Bay 11.00. Ashford 11.30 Wicklow

## **PARISH CONTACTS**

Fr Donal Roche :040467196Fr Pat O Rourke:040467133Wicklow Sacristy:040469031Parish Office:040461699Email:parishofficewicklow@gmail.comWebsite:www.wicklowparishOffice opening times -Monday - Friday :10am - 12.30pm

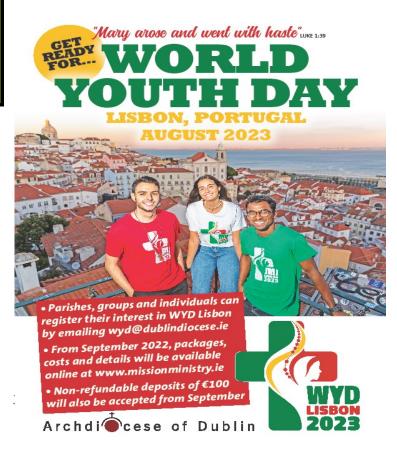
### **SUMMER OFFERINGS**

Envelopes are available at the doors of the Church for the next few weeks. This collection is for the support of all the priests in the Diocese - this supplements the Common Fund which suffered during Covid times. Your contribution to this collection would be very much appreciated.



# IRISH CATHOLIC NEWSPAPER

Now available weekly in the Parish Office costing €2.50



# St Patrick's Conference Wicklow

Society of St. Vincent de Paul





## WICKLOW CANCER SUPPORT

UNIT 2, FIRST FLOOR,

REAR OF LEONDARD & MULVEY (BUTLERS) PHARMACY 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.

WE HAVE VARIOUS OTHER SERVICES AVAILABLE IF YOU NEED TO CONTACT US.

CHILD SAFEGUARDING OFFICER <u>Telephone number</u> 087 123 8054 WICKLOW & RATHNEW

## DIARY DATES: AUGUST

- 4th: Baptism Meeting at 8pm in De La Salle Centre
- 6th: The Transfiguration of the Lord
- 7th: Baptisms in St Patrick's, Wicklow
- 15th: Feast of The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- 17th: Our Lady of Knock
- 21st: Baptisms in St Patrick's, Wicklow
- 27th: Baptisms in St Joseph's, Rathnew

The Pope's Intention in August -For small businesses

We pray for small and mediumsized businesses; in the midst of economic and social crisis, may they find ways to continue operating, and serving their communities.



#### **NEXT WEEKENDS READINGS - 28TH AUGUST 2022**

First Reading :Ecclesiasticus 3: 17-20, 28-29 Responsorial Psalm: 67:4-7, 10-11 Second Reading : Hebrews 12: 18-19, 22-24 Gospel: Luke 14: 1, 7-14

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

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS F	OR WICKLOW & RATHNEW: 14th August
<b>1ST COLLECTION / COMMON FUND</b>	- pays salaries of Priests of Diocese - € 731
2ND COLLECTION / SHARE	- goes towards diocesan administration € 365
ENVELOPE/ CHURCH COLLECTION	<ul> <li>goes towards maintaining our parish</li> <li>€ 2240</li> </ul>



### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES**

The parish offers Religious Education classes for Catholic children who are 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 <u>two year programme</u> of preparation.

**ENROLMENT DATES FOR THESE CLASSES ARE** 

Monday 5th, Tuesday 6th & Friday 9th September between 10am & 12pm in the De La Salle Parish Centre in Wicklow.

**Classes commence on Tuesday 20th September 2022** 

## PARISH VOLUNTEERS

If you would be interested in becoming more involved in the Parish, there are several different groups working away quietly week in and week out and most of them are always looking for more help. Since Covid time, some of these groups have lost some of their 'regular reliables,' and will be looking to recruit new people to share the load. September is always a good month for recruiting and there are loads of different options available - from Altar serving for both adult and children, flower arranging, cleaning the brasses in the church, choirs, to maintaining flower beds, gardening, ministries, committees etc.

There are a huge range of activities going on and each and every one of them are invaluable in helping to build up our Church community.

If you were or are thinking about it - why not give it a try and get in touch with the Parish Office for more information or fill in the form below and give it to either of the priests or the office.

#### VOLUNTEERING IN THE PARISH

Would you like to become more involved in your Parish? If so please fill in the form below and return to the Parish Office. I am interested in volunteering in my parish.

I am interested in \_

CONTACT NUMBER : \_

NAME :

## WICKLOW BRIDGE CLUB

The new season for Wicklow Bridge Club recommences on Tuesday September 6 at 7.30pm upstairs in the Pastoral Centre. Please be seated by 7.20pm. We are open to all grades and welcome new members.



Bridge lessons for beginners will commence in September with Bernie Rountree. Her phone number is:- 086 1045848 and her email address is:- <u>brountre28@gmail.com</u>. Please contact her for further details.

All other queries to Maura Kavanagh at 087 2253136.



#### WICKLOW CANCER SUPPORT

would like to invite all our great supporters to our Coffee Morning 2nd Sept. Pastoral Centre, 10.30 to 12.30.

This is our first Coffee Morning in two and a half years so why not come along for Tea/Coffee and amazing cakes.

There will also be some great prizes in our Raffle.

We look forward to seeing you all again for an enjoyable get together.

The 2022/2023 season for the **Abbey Bridge Club** commences on Monday 5th September in the Golf Club starting at 7.30pm . Please be seated for 7.20pm. New members are welcome. Joker system in operation until Christmas.

# Active Retirement-Activities and Trips

Now with 102 members, we are one of the largest Groups in Ireland Follow us on our facebook page: Wicklow Active Retirement

After a very full packed few months we are closed now for the Summer Holidays. Our next meeting will be Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> August. All normal activities resume that week. Have a lovely Summer break!

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.

### WHAT ARE THE MASS COLLECTIONS FOR?

#### THE FIRST COLLECTION/COMMUN FUND

The First Collection is also known as the Common Fund. This was set up years ago in order that all priests got a fair share of the collection regardless of the size or wealth of the parish that they are working in. It also supports the priests of the Diocese, who are sick and retired. Christmas/Easter & Summer Dues are lodged directly into this fund. This fund has been declining over the past few years which means that priests incomes have also been declining.

#### THE SECOND COLLECTION/ SHARE

The Share Collection is for the Diocesan building fund which helps to subsidise projects in some very poor parishes. It gives financial assistance to parishes who wouldn't have the necessary income to maintain their buildings. It also funds the central services of the diocese which looks after 199 parishes. The money for this collection is also lodged directly to the Diocese.

#### THE WEEKLY ENVELOPES & STANDING ORDER /PLANNED GIVING COLLECTION

This collection funds the parish. It pays for the day to day expenses of running the Parish as well as maintaining the Churches, our Parish Centre and the Priests houses. You may contribute to the Parish by weekly envelope, Direct Debit/Standing order or annual donation. If you have thought about contributing to the Parish regularly - please arrange for a box of envelopes or a Direct Debit form to be sent to you by ringing the parish office on 61699.

#### **TAX RELIEF SCHEME**

The Tax Relief Scheme for donations to Eligible Charities is of immense benefit to the Parish. It is a very simple but effective way of increasing revenue, whereby the parish can claim back the tax paid on any <u>recorded contributions</u> of €250 or more per annum. Many people have already signed up for this and it has made a big difference to parish income. If you have not already done so, perhaps you would consider signing up for it now. Full details are available on the parish website or from the office.

As the church is registered as a charity, any contribution of  $\pounds 250$  or more (which is  $\pounds 5$  a week), allows the parish to claim back up to 40% of that, which is approx.  $\pounds 100$ , where applicable. However, we do have to be able to link the donations to a donor which is where the envelopes/ Direct Debit/Standing Orders becomes important. The only information that is required from the contributor is - name, address, PPS number and a signature. Please be assured that any information received will be treated with the of confidence and that there is <u>NO</u> involvement at all from any tax officials. If you pay income tax and if you have contributed  $\pounds 250$  or more to the <u>Dues and Family Offering</u>, the Parish can claim back the tax on your donation at no cost whatsoever to the contributor. Please be assured that the parish staff do not have any access to any personal details of any parishioner signing up to this scheme. It is totally confidential.

# Please note that cash placed in the collection baskets does not qualify for Tax Relief as it cannot be traced back to a donor and is therefore added to the Diocesan 1st & 2nd collections.

A sincere thanks to all parishioners who continuously support the parish through their contributions and to those who have signed up to the CHY<sub>3</sub> scheme and we look forward to your continued support in the future. 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 WEEKLY PARISH LOTTO RESULTS

CONGRATULATIONS

**Eileen Tobin** 

**€50 winner** THIS WEEKS WINNING NUMBERS ARE

1, 5, 26, 27

NEXT WEEKS JACKPOT WILL BE

<u>€3,750</u>

Remember...íf you aren't ín you can't wín!

Join by texting the word WICKLOW to 51444

or go to the website : www.ourparishfundraiser.ie/parish/ wicklow

**CHIME IN & PLAY** (formerly known as Gymboree) will return weekly to the De La Salle Centre on Thursday 22nd September. Teach your child a love of music through songs, dance, instruments and fun - suitable for all babies, toddlers and pre-schoolers from 6mths - 4yrs. Contact Rachel on 086 8330212 for more info or to book your place. Booking is essential as places are limited.

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		

## SUNDAY BLESSINGS! LIFE IS AN ECHO.

What you send out - comes back. What you sow - you reap. What you give - you get. What you see in others - exists in you. Do not judge - so you will **NOT** be judged. Radiate and give **LOVE** and Love comes back to you.