

# PARISH NEWSLETTER

25th June 2023

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time -Year A

Wicklow & Rathnew  
RCN 20016166



## Gospel Reflections for the Year of Matthew

### Just Trust

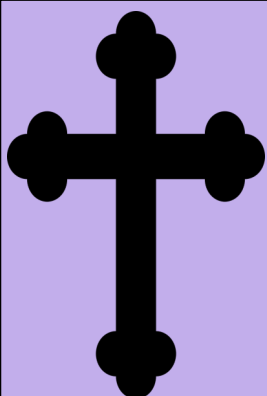
Our lives are lightened by people we can trust. We need to trust so much in life. We know the great pain when our trust is shaken by people we thought we could trust – parents/ teachers/ religious superiors/ the church/ friends, family and more.

In the gospel today Jesus addresses that need and grace in our lives. He encourages us to place our trust in those who care for us, and to trust in God who does not want destruction/ but development/ who wants peace among people in all sorts of ways. In what do we trust? Pagola writes: 'some feel a need to consume more in order to feel secure; and seek a life of entertainment to forget their everyday problems' (The Gospel According to Matthew/ p. 106).

Jesus tells us to trust in God, who would not harm even a hair of our head. He asks and urges us to be people who would not harm another. We are worth this care and love just by being created. Like a parent or grandparent/ or an aunt or uncle/ totally loving a new child before the child is even seen, so God loves each of us. The sight of a starving child brings out our love and a desire to care.

This is linked to the care of God: in this care and trust of each other we find the trust and care of God/ given and received for 'where there is love, there is God (1 John 3:7).

*Just echo the word 'trust' as you sit in silence;  
let this gift and call of trust fill your being.  
Sacred heart of Jesus, I place all my trust in you*



*Sincere sympathy to the family of*

*Robert (Whaler) Doyle, late of Seaview Heights, Merrymeeting, Rathnew  
Gerry Donnelly, late of Church Hill*

# Mass Intention List



## *This Weekend ~ 24th & 25th June*

- 6.00pm** Peter Byrne, Jim O'Neill, Nina Marah  
**9.00am** Rita Tormey  
**10.30am** Michael O'Sullivan BD Rem  
**12.00noon** Kevin Matthews, Liam Tallon, Conor Teevan,  
Padraig Carney, Marguerite Burke

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

## *26th - 30th June*

- Monday** Louis Collins  
**7.00pm** Neddý Franey  
**Tuesday** Tom Murphy  
**7.00pm** Parishioners Intentions  
**Wednesday** David Cagney  
**Thursday** Mary Sillery (nee Keddy), her mother Mary Keddy  
& her daughter Caroline Sillery  
**Friday** Kevin O'Farrell

## *Next Weekend ~ 1st & 2nd July*

- 6.00pm** Evelyn Goodman - Months Mind, Esha Phelan  
**9.00am**  
**10.30am** Jimmy & Peg Howes, Annie Kavanagh  
**12.00noon** Michael White

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# NEW PARTNERSHIP MASS SCHEDULE

The following Mass Schedule will be in place in the Churches from the weekend of the 10<sup>th</sup>/11<sup>th</sup> of June and will be reviewed in 6 months.

	Wicklow	Rathnew	Ashford	Glenealy	Brittas Bay	Barndarrig	Kilbride
Saturday Vigil	6.00 pm		6.00 pm			7.30pm	
Sunday	10.30am	9.00 am		10.30 am			9.00 am
Sunday	12 noon				12 noon		

New Mass Schedules like this one, are happening throughout the diocese as part of the Building Hope initiative whereby we have to consider the:

- ♦ Pastoral care of priests
- ♦ The Directive about each priest being scheduled for no more than three Masses
- ♦ The Time between Masses to allow time for chat / travel to next appointment.

*To all Parishioners and friends - you are very welcome to join us in wishing both Fr Donal & Fr Pat a fond farewell and the best of luck in their new parishes, on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> June 2023, at 2pm in the De La Salle Parish Centre grounds. (weather permitting)*

*We are providing some hospitality, but families or small groups are encouraged to bring their own picnic seats/blankets and food and make an afternoon of it. There will be some seating but it will be limited.*

*Please note that there will be NO PARKING in the De La Salle grounds at all, the top car park will be open and there will be spaces around the church too.*

*The Hospitality group would be grateful for any donations of cakes/sandwiches etc and these can be left into the centre up to Friday morning or else, please bring them on the Sunday. We are also looking for some help with set up and clean up - please leave your name in the parish office or sacristy or text Debbie on 087 756 2004, if you can help out with this.*

*Hopefully, you are able to make the occasion, that the sun will shine, the music will flow and there will be plenty of opportunity to have a chat with our priests and other parishioners too!*



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 - 13TH JULY**  
**AT 8PM**  
**IN THE PARISH CENTRE**



### **ADORATION ~ BLESSED SACRAMENT**

Continues on Wednesdays in St Patrick's 10.30 am to 11.30 pm, usually finishing with Benediction. **Please note the change of time!!**

### **LOURDES PILGRIMAGE**

Please note that the final payment for the Lourdes Pilgrimage needs to be paid on or before Friday 30th June. Payments can be given to Nancy or Carol directly or paid into the Parish Office by card machine or cheque - please make cheques payable to the **WICKLOW /RATHNEW PARISH LOURDES**



Many thanks to all who contributed to the collections last weekend - a total of €3000.27 was collected and for which we are very grateful for.

**An Evening of Summer Songs  
with Wicklow Singers.**

**Musical Directors, Frank Kelly &  
Rebecca Kelly & Classic harmony.**

**Sunday 2nd July at 8pm in Fatima Hall,  
Dominican College, Wicklow  
Admission €10.**

**RATHNEW WOMEN'S SHED  
CRAFT FAIR**

**SUNDAY 25TH JUNE  
FROM 12NOON TILL 4PM  
IN ST BRIGID'S HALL RATHNEW**

**WICKLOW COPD GROUP - Exercise class to help improve your breathing every Monday in the DLS Pastoral Centre. Fully qualified Instructors Further information from Denis Teevan on 086 8174 703**

### **BLESSINGS OF THE GRAVES 2023**

<b>BARNDARRIG CEMETERY</b>	<b>~ TUESDAY 4TH JULY AT 7.30PM</b>
<b>THREE MILE WATER CEMETERY</b>	<b>~ MONDAY 10TH JULY AT 7.30PM</b>
<b>CASTLETIMON CEMETERY</b>	<b>~ MONDAY 17TH JULY AT 7.30PM</b>
<b>RATHNEW CEMETERY</b>	<b>~ WEDNESDAY 19TH JULY AT 7.30PM</b>

# WEEKLY COLLECTIONS FOR WICKLOW & RATHNEW:

**18th June 2023**

**ENVELOPE/ CHURCH COLLECTION** - goes towards maintaining our parish - €3455  
**1ST COLLECTION / COMMON FUND** - pays salaries of Priests of Diocese - €1215  
**2ND COLLECTION / SHARE FUND** - goes towards diocesan administration - € 770

*Many thanks for your continued support.*

## NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS

To reflect on the readings please check  
[catholicireland.net](http://catholicireland.net) / [sacredspace.ie](http://sacredspace.ie) / [universalis.com](http://universalis.com)

First Reading : 2 Kings 4:8-11, 14-16

Responsorial Psalm 88: 2-3, 16-19

Second Reading : Romans 6: 3-4, 8-11

Gospel : Matthew 10: 37-42

## WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS 2023



A massive thanks to everyone who was involved in last weeks Wedding Anniversary Mass - it was a lovely evening and thoroughly enjoyed by all those who attended it.

A huge amount of work went into the Mass - so thank you to Mary Murray who does all the research and finds out where all the couples are now living. To our wonderful choir and organist for the excellent music. To Aidan our sacristan, who prepares the church, the office staff for all the work on the invitations, booklets and the certificates. To the parish hospitality group who as usual provided a wonderful selection of food for the occasion and to Eileen Earls for taking all of the photographs. And finally to our two priests Fr Donal and Fr Pat who said a really lovely Mass.

It was a very successful team effort.  
The photos will be posted out early next week to all the couples.

A collection card for Peter's Pence 2023. The top left says 'Collection 2023'. The main title is 'PETER'S PENCE' with a small logo to the right. Below the title is the text 'LET US SHARE THE JOYS AND SUFFERINGS OF OTHERS, INSPIRED BY FRATERNAL LOVE'. The central image is a close-up of Pope Francis in white, gently touching the head of a young child. At the bottom, it says 'MAKE YOUR CONTRIBUTION TO THE HOLY FATHER'. Below that, in smaller text: 'Offerings are designated for the Pope's apostolic and charitable ministry'. A QR code is on the right. At the very bottom, it says 'SATURDAY AND SUNDAY, JULY 1 AND 2'.

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



# 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

Fridays - Choir 3 to 4pm

Wednesdays - Walking - meet at 11.00am on the Murrough

Trip to Bord Gais Theatre on the 28th June to see the Show The King & I.

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

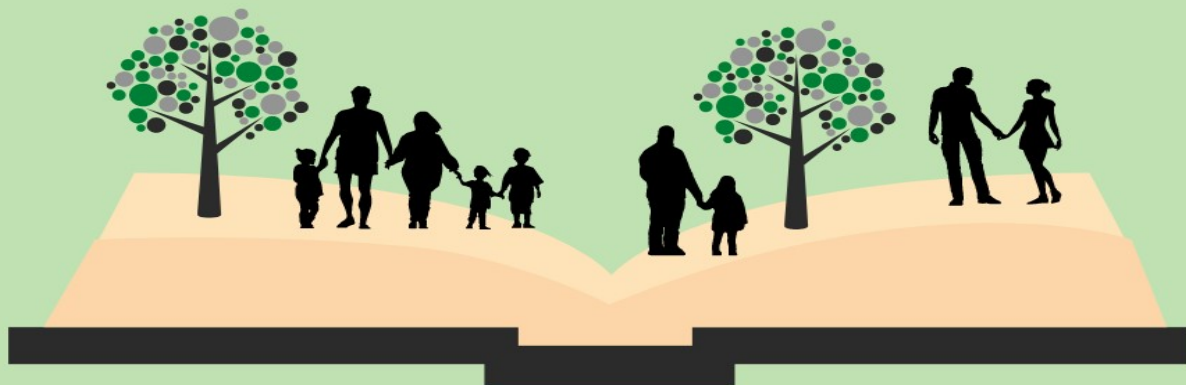
*You will be sure of a Céad Míle Fáilte*

**Free Genealogy Advisory Service at Wicklow Library Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> June from 6.30pm to 8.30pm.**

Are you interested in tracing your family tree and don't know where to start or maybe you've hit a brick wall in your research? Wicklow Library have organised a free drop-in advisory evening to guide you through your search, answer your family history questions and point you to the right resources. This event takes place in the Local Studies Library, Salthouse Lane, Wicklow Town. No appointment necessary. For further information email [Wicklowlocalstudies@wicklowcoco.ie](mailto:Wicklowlocalstudies@wicklowcoco.ie) or phone 087 2683724

## Who do you think you are?

# Free Drop-in Genealogy Advisory Service



## Wicklow Local Studies Library

### Thursday 29th June

### 6.30 pm to 8.30 pm



A member of  
Our Wicklow  
Heritage





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.**

**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

# **GROW**

mental  
wellbeing  
programs

**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, low mood or just the stresses of life. They offer a tried and tested method of self help and personal growth.

Experience new hope and meaning through working on issues together in a peer support setting

**MEETINGS ARE CONFIDENTIAL.**  
Ring Trish for further info on 0860129082. And see [Grow.ie](http://Grow.ie) to listen to stories of Hope and Recovery.

## **The Pope's Intention for June**

**For the abolition of torture  
We pray that the international community  
may commit in a concrete way to ensuring the  
abolition of torture and guarantee support to  
victims and their families.**





# WEEKLY PARISH LOTTO RESULTS

## *Congratulations*

### PATRICK EGAN

23rd June 2023: €50 raffle winner  
Weekly winning numbers: 2, 5, 6, 14  
*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](http://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](mailto: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

Name.....

Contact Number.....

Address.....

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Never forget how blessed you are. Don't be negative when you have so much to be positive about.

