



# PARISH NEWSLETTER

25th July 2021

Wicklow & Rathnew

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



*Welcome*

*to our Mass and a very warm welcome to everyone joining us on our parish radio & online.*

Donal Neary S.J.

Gospel reflections

[www.messenger.ie/bookshop/](http://www.messenger.ie/bookshop/)

## Open Air Meal

Ordinary bread is a reminder of the Eucharist. Jesus feeds in the ordinary among the people. The fragments left over have been our bread ever since. From this gospel mystery we know we are always worthwhile in God's eyes. Everyone is fed. We approach the bread of life not because we are saints, but because we need it.

We know also that our offering is worth it: five loaves and two fish of the poorest type. The leftovers on the shelf, the sardines only the poor ate: the boy had no idea of where his offering would lead. We never know where love will bear fruit.

God is with us in the ordinary – the God of the table not just the temple. Where we are in life, he finds us, and feeds us most when we are most empty. We have often blocked good people from the table of God for too long.

He will feed us always – more than enough love in the heart of God for all. The meal of today has lasted, and the Eucharist is the central prayer and activity of the church. We minister the bread of life now to each other.

At Mass we meet the Lord Jesus, in his death and resurrection – each Mass is our entering into this mystery of prayer and love for the world. This is the active love of God, seen also in our service of his people.

*As I eat bread this day,  
I might remind myself of the two breads  
– bread of earth for the body  
and bread of heaven for the soul.  
Lord, thank you for our daily bread.*

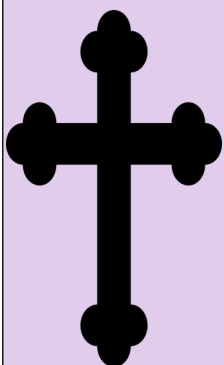


*Sincere sympathy to the families of ...*

*Charles (Charlie) Graham late of Marlton Court*

*Mary Conway late of Dunbur Road*

*Patrick (Paddy) O'Donovan late of Rocky Road*



# Mass Intention List



## This Weekend ~ 24th & 25th July

- 6.00pm** Ella Dover - 1st Anniversary & her husband Tucker  
Michael Butler & senior members of the Butler family,  
Brian Murray - 1st Anniversary
- 7.00pm** *Special Intention*
- 9.00am** *Leo Devlin*
- 10.00am** Brian Murray - 1st Anniversary, Lillian Cullen
- 11.30am** Pat Madden, Maureen Marah, Joan Fox, Lylie Henry

## 26th ~ 30th July

- Monday** - Iris Stephens
- 7.00pm** *Special Intention*
- Tuesday** - Fr Dermot Kavanagh  
*Special Intention for someone undergoing surgery today*
- 7.00pm** *Special Intention*
- Wednesday** - Maureen Mayes who died in South Africa  
Eileen Nolan (A), John Nolan (BR)
- Thursday** - Nicholas Byrne (A)
- Friday** - Tom O'Mahony - In remembrance

## Next Weekend ~ 31st July & 1st August

- 6.00pm** Paul Jameson & Mary Kavanagh- both 1st Anniversaries  
Mary Fitzgerald, deceased members of the Kennedy  
& Thompson family
- 7.00pm**
- 9.00am**
- 10.00am** Augustus & Mary Cullen
- 11.30am** Fr Henry Doherty & George Henry - both 1st Anniversaries,  
Noel Gallagher, Billy Brady & deceased members of

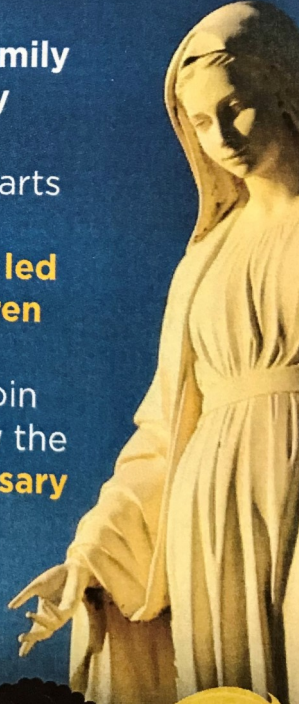
# ZOOM FAMILY ROSARY

And Jesus said to them, "Yes. Have you never read, 'Out of the mouth of babes and nursing infants You have perfected praise'?"

Matthew 21:16

## ZOOM FAMILY ROSARY

Come and join us to pray the **Family Rosary on Zoom every Saturday evening at 7:00pm**. The Family Rosary lasts for 20 minutes. It starts with a short two-minute video followed by the Rosary, which is **led by parents and prayed by children** from participating families from different parts of the world. To join the '**Zoom Family Rosary**' follow the link <http://bit.ly/ZoomFamilyRosary> to register. Once registered you will receive a return email with your own personal link.



**WEEKLY LOTTO RESULTS  
CONGRATULATIONS**

**GERRY HIGGINS**

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

**1, 12, 20, 28**

**NEXT WEEKS JACKPOT WILL BE €1025**

*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](http://www.ourparishfundraiser.ie/parish/wicklow)*

## SUMMER OFFERINGS

The Archbishop has asked that all parishes have a Summer Collection to supplement the Common Fund, which has been seriously depleted due to Covid.

While the churches were closed, donations to the Common Fund were less than half of the normal amount with the result that there isn't enough monies to pay the salaries of the priests in the Diocese and to support those sick and retired priests in nursing homes.

This envelope is a once off Summer donation similar to the Christmas & Easter Dues, and will most probably become part of the annual contributions like the Dues envelopes.

There are special envelopes available at the Church doors and we would be very grateful for any donation.



## *Grandparents Tree Planting Ceremony 2021*



Ann Marah pictured with Fr Donal at the Grandparents Tree Planting Ceremony which took place in the De La Salle Pastoral Centre on Friday 23rd July after the 10am Parish Mass. Pope Francis has designated July 25th as Grandparents Day - a day to celebrate the contribution made by Grandparents and the elderly. We planted the tree in thanksgiving for grandparents and as a sign of hope for the future generations.

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



### NEXT WEEKENDS READINGS - 1ST AUGUST 2021

First Reading : Exodus 16 : 2 - 4  
Responsorial Psalm: 77:3-4, 23-25,54  
Second Reading : Ephesians 4: 17, 20-24  
Gospel: John 6: 24-35

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

### WEEKLY COLLECTIONS FOR WICKLOW & RATHNEW: 18/07/2021

1ST COLLECTION / COMMON FUND	- pays salaries of Priests of Diocese	- € 765
2ND COLLECTION / SHARE	- goes towards diocesan administration	- € 400
ENVELOPE/ CHURCH COLLECTION	- goes towards maintaining our parish	- € 2790

*Many thanks for your continued support.*



### CARD PLAYERS WANTED!!

Mornings or evenings,  
**25s, 45s & Bridge.**

More information from  
**0404 61539**

### ADORATION TEAM

*The Adoration Team is there to provide a continuous presence during exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, which takes place on Wednesdays from 10.30am till 12 noon. So, for this purpose, two team members are rostered to be there all the time. If you would like to join the team, please leave your contact details in the sacristy or with the Parish Office.*

### St Patrick's Conference Wicklow



**01 855 0022**

### CHILD SAFEGUARDING OFFICER

Telephone number 087 123 8054

WICKLOW & RATHNEW

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.....

A smart person knows  
what to say, a wise  
person knows whether  
or not to say it.

Positive  
Positive