



PARISH NEWSLETTER

26th September 2021
Wicklow & Rathnew
Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
RCN 20016166

BE SOMEONE
WHO JUDGES
NO ONE.

Welcome

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

Gospel Reflections Making a Difference Donal Neary SJ

There's a certain definiteness in the gospel today. Like a team going on a field to win. We are either with Jesus or against him, and this is proved in our way of life. Following Jesus does not necessarily mean being different from others. It means throwing ourselves into the everyday life and needs of people and giving what we can.

It comes out also in public life. We can make our voices heard about issues which deeply effect others, like respecting and protecting life, like ensuring we care for our children in fact as well as in law, legislating wisely about marriage, in how we legislate for the care of our elderly. We may work to free our country from the effects of addiction with drugs and alcohol.

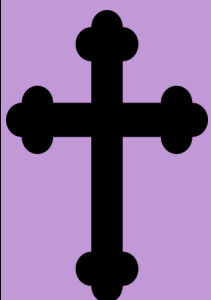
Jesus is asking for a definite way of life and of wanting to make a difference. Faith is more than assent of the mind, but a way of life and of trust – a way of life in not hindering others, but helping with compassion and good deeds. Our way of life is a sharing of faith one to another – *“Faith is passed on by contact, from one person to another, just as one candle is lighted from another”* – Pope Francis.

The people who make a difference are building blocks rather than stumbling blocks. Every good cause will have its begrudgers. The apostles themselves were like that and bit by bit realised that following Jesus can be seen in many ways, and in the giving of cold water or hot soup, or in any way, making a big difference in life is being a true follower.

*Remember a time you made a difference in someone's life.
Ask to continue to be able to do this.
Lord, teach me to serve you as you deserve.*



*Sincere sympathy to the family of ...
Grainne Byrne late of St Laurence's Road
Patricia (Pat) Henry late of Hillside
Therese Keogh late of Castlefield*



Mass Intention List



This Weekend ~ 25th & 26th September

- 6.00pm** *Martin & Mary Carr, Patrick Carr, Josefina Gozun
Samuel Corkish*
- 7.00pm** *Micheál Jameson*
- 9.00am** *Special Intention*
- 10.00am** *Alistair Ross - Months Mind, Jack & Mannix Murphy
& deceased members of the Murphy & Gregan families,
Cathy Healy RD*
- 11.30am** *Vivienne Jarrett— Months Mind, Ted Jarrett RD
Special Intention, Tony & Emí Duggan, Noel Furlong,
Christina Doherty- & deceased members of the Doherty family*

27th September - 1st October

- Monday** - *Frances Conway*
- 7.00pm** *Special Intention*
- Tuesday** - *PJ Spain RD*
- 7.00pm** *Shay Coffey, Kit Quinn*
- Wednesday** - *Liam Courtenay - 1st Anniversary*
- Thursday** - *Michael Lambert*
- Friday** - *Altar List of the Dead*
- 7.00pm** *Altar List of the Dead*

Next Weekend ~ 2nd & 3rd October

- 6.00pm** *Tom & Annie Barry, Joe & Katie Carr, Jimmy Dunne,
Frank Kavanagh & deceased members of the Kavanagh family*
- 7.00pm**
- 9.00am**
- 10.00am**
- 11.30am** *Noel White & May Mason - both Months Mind,
Pat & Sarah Byrne*

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 .

FIRST FRIDAY MASSES -

St Patrick's Church at 10am

St Joseph's Church at 7pm.

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

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.

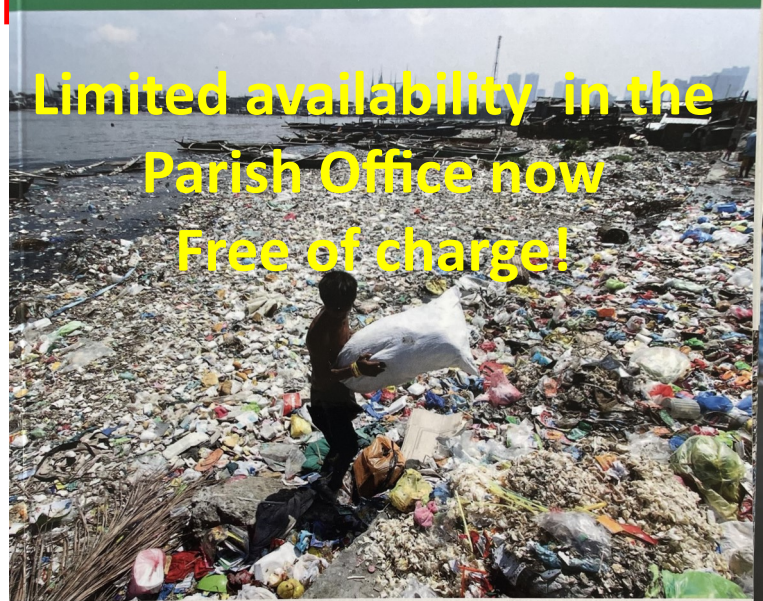
Email: alphawicklow@gmail.com for more information or to book a place.

cross  care

Crosscare Annual Collection 2021

The Annual Collection for Crosscare, the social support agency of the Archdiocese of Dublin was taken up at all Masses in the Diocese last weekend the 18th and 19th September 2021. Many thanks to all who contributed to this collection - a total of €1556 was received in the parish.

Limited availability in the
Parish Office now
Free of charge!



The Cry of the Earth – The Cry of the Poor

THE CLIMATE CATASTROPHE – CREATION'S URGENT CALL FOR CHANGE

Archbishop Dermot Farrell

Archdiocese of Dublin

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.



NEXT WEEKENDS READINGS - 3RD OCTOBER 2021

First Reading : Genesis 2: 18-24

Responsorial Psalm: 127

Second Reading : Hebrews 2: 9-11

Gospel: Mark 10: 2-16

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

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS FOR WICKLOW & RATHNEW: 19/09/2021

1ST COLLECTION / COMMON FUND - pays salaries of Priests of Diocese - € 925

2ND COLLECTION / ANNUAL COLLECTION FOR CROSSCARE € 1556

ENVELOPE/ CHURCH COLLECTION - goes towards maintaining our parish - € 1995

Many thanks for your continued support.

St Patrick's Conference Wicklow



01 855 0022



WICKLOW CANCER SUPPORT

UNIT 2, FIRST FLOOR,

REAR OF LEONDARD & MULVEY (BUTLERS) PHARMACY
ABBAY 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.

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

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

*Continues on Wednesdays in
St. Patrick's Church 10.30am to 12 noon
usually finishing with Benediction.*

LECTIO DIVINA

6th Century term meaning 'Sacred Reading'

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

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 alphabayside@gmail.com.]



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.*

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS 2021

(please print clearly)

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

TELEPHONE _____ DATE OF MARRIAGE _____

We will have _____ family members with us.

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



Congratulations to the children of the parish who received the Sacrament of First Holy Communion last Saturday 18th September, pictured with Fr Donal Roche & Fr Pat O'Rourke



First Holy Communion children ~ 18th September 2021 ~ 10am Mass



First Holy Communion children ~ 18th September 2021 ~ 11.30am Mass

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)



NEPTUNE BRIDGE CLUB will reopen on Thursday 7 October (no draw) in the Wicklow Pastoral Centre for fully vaccinated members. Play commences at 7.30 and will be in accordance with Covid Guidelines, i.e. proof of vaccination (first night only) and mask wearing at the table throughout the game. If your own bridge club is not ready to reopen you will be welcomed in the Neptune Club provided you are fully vaccinated. I am sure we are all looking forward to face-to-face bridge again.



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



First Holy Communion children ~ 11th September 2021

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**

MONIKA SZTENDERSKA

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

10, 14, 16, 19

NEXT WEEKS JACKPOT WILL BE

€1,875

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

**WARA ~ WICKLOW ACTIVE
RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION**

*meetings will resume on Tuesday
5th Oct at 10.45am - please note
there is no meeting on Tuesday
28th September as the group will
be on their autumn holiday.*

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

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.

