KILBRIDE, BARNDARRIG & BRITTAS BAY

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18th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C 2nd August 2025

Donal Neary S.J. Gospel Reflection ~ Love not Wealth

You can look around a lot and the gospel today makes sense. It points at how we can get caught up in what we own and what people have. It's about possessions and how they take us over- or how we react when we lack what we once had. We enjoy wealth but we have a mixed reaction to it.

Saint Ignatius mentioned three obstacles to our faith - wealth, honour, and pride. He saw from his own experience that people wanted wealth so that they would be highly thought of:

- ~ it can be the right school,
- ~ the right address,
- ~the right bank,
- ~ the right job.

We have pride in what we have, but as we know, things can change very quickly.

- ~ Shares go up and down;
- ~ you may become ill or die.

The battle is between being rich in the sight of the world and/or being rich in the sight of God.

The opposites of these obstacles are simplicity, integrity, and humility. Humility is pride in who we are - children of God, brothers and sisters to each other, and accepting ourselves just as we are. We need nothing outside of ourselves to make us feel good about ourselves. This too is simplicity.



What we have is a gift, given to us for the good of the world, the community, the neighbourhood, not just for the good of ourselves.

And in the end, what matters is that we are judged on love not on wealth. Or if we have had wealth, we will be judged on what we did with it. It can lead us away from God very easily. Do we live like him?

Lord,
May your kingdom of justice and peace come on earth today

Sincere sympathy to the family of

Joseph (Joe) Ryan, Ballygannon Beg, Rathdrum, Co. Wicklow and formerly of Boley, Camolin, Co. Wexford.

	THIS WEEK WE REMEMBER	NEXT WEEK WE REMEMBER
SATURDAY BARNDARRIG 7.30PM	Christopher Byrne Mary Byrne (A)	
SUNDAY KILBRIDE 9.00AM	Alice Hennessy RD	
SUNDAY BRITTAS BAY 12Noon	Eugene Byrne (A)	
WEDNESDAY BARNDARRIG 10AM	Mary Mulligan RD	

KILBRIDE, BARNDARRIG & BRITTAS BAY PARISH

27th July 2025

ENVELOPE/ CHURCH COLLECTION - goes towards maintaining our parish - 1ST COLLECTION / COMMON FUND - pays salaries of Priests of Diocese - €733 - goes towards Diocesan Administration €310

Many thanks for your continued support.

NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS

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

FIRST READING: Wisdom: 6-9

PSALM: 32:1, 12,18-20,22

SECOND READING: Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-12

GOSPEL: 12: 32-48

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Ashford: 1st Friday after Mass

Wicklow: Mondays and Thursdays after Mass

Kilbride: 1st Thursday at 7pm (Divine Mercy)

Brittas Bay: Thursdays at 9am



Baptism in the St. Mantan Pastoral Area

First Saturday 2.00pm **Third Sunday** 1.00pm **Fourth Saturday** 2.00pm Rathnew Ashford **First Sunday** 12 noon **Third Saturday Glenealy** 12 noon **Second Saturday BBK** 2.00pm



Baptism Meeting - De La Salle Centre at 8.00pm on Thursday 14th August





PARISH CONTACTS

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Office opening times

Monday - Friday: 10am - 12.30pm





JOB VACANCY IN BRITTAS BAY PARISH

Brittas Bay Parish are looking for a person who is interested in working in a Caretaking role.

This placement is through County Wicklow Partnership's Tús Programme.

The placement will be for 1 year and participants will be required to work for 19½ hours per week and you are free to take up other employment outside of their 19½ hours.

To qualify for Tús, you must be fully unemployed for 12 months or more. You can also qualify if are on a Disability payment too.

Payment is at the full rate of Jobseekers Allowance plus €27.50 top-up.

Information: Following recent changes, you can now self-select for a position with Tús while engaging with Turas Nua.

For more information or to apply, contact Kevin Hennessy on khennessy@wicklowpartnership.ie or 0876739301

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