

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 FEBRUARY**  
**AT 8PM IN THE**  
**DE LA SALLE PARISH CENTRE**

**PARISH SHOP**

The Parish shop is situated in the lobby of the parish office. It has been restocked with new candles, cards and some new general stock.

Drop in and have a browse, baptism candles small baby gifts, angel gifts, rosary beads, car medals, visormedals, cards and much more.

There is also have a wide selection of Mass Cards and ordinary cards.

We have also got a beautiful new range of First Holy Communion & Confirmation gifts & cards- all available now.

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.....



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

**PARISH CONTACTS**

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**Fr Gerard Deegan : 0404 67133**

**Parish Office: 0404 61699**

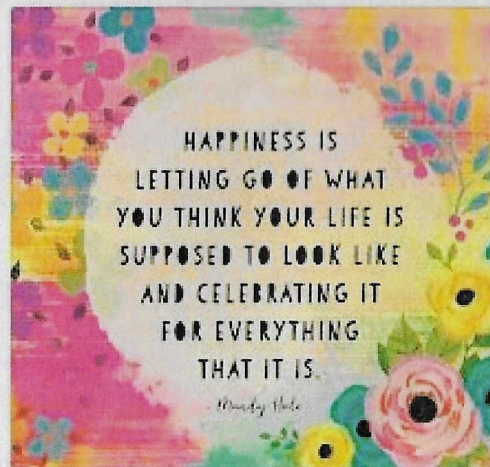
[parishofficewicklow@gmail.com](mailto:parishofficewicklow@gmail.com)

**Office opening times**

**Monday - Friday:  
10am – 12.30pm**

**For all enquires and bookings**

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



**KILBRIDE, BARNDARRIG & BRITTAS BAY**

**WEEKLY NEWSLETTER**

**4th February 2023**

**RCN 20016166**

**Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**



*Fr Donal Neary, S.J ~Gospel Reflections for the Year B.*

**Darkness and Light**

The first reading is tough to hear and we admire Job. We talk of 'the patience of Job'. Job is the example and the hero of depression. He just had it bad. All had gone wrong and he felt no good, no hope, no meaning. His family collapsed, his wealth disappeared and he cursed the day he was born. He went through all of the depressions people have, but somehow kept that glimmer of light alive. He never totally lost God, and God never lost him.

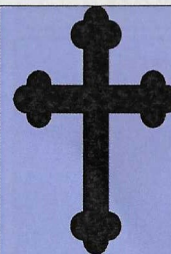
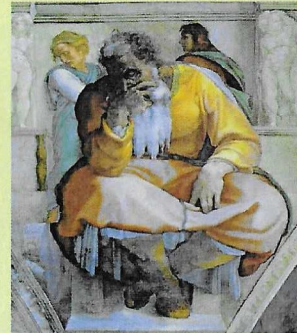
Depression is a huge illness. Many suffer; many are affected. Treatment can be of help, and the listening times of friends as well as therapy is healing.

A great priest wrote

.... At the worst of the burn out I couldn't say mass, never mind preach. Dry, empty, with out light or life. Thanks again for the card you sent. It means a lot to me now. Funny, in the worst of my anxiety, nothing, no compliment, and no reassurance meant anything to me."

There are many helps on the human level. There is the help also of faith and prayer at times. And the help of someone who, listens, sympathises, doesn't judge nor give easy cures. Love from God never ends even though it may not appear near just now. This is the Jesus of the gospel – bringing the grace of healing, of freeing from any evil, of constant love.

*Imagine a time of darkness in life; picture it in its colour, and imagine the bright light of Jesus penetrate that darkness. Ask for help and give thanks for help. Give light, Good Lord, to all who live in the valley of darkness and the shadow of doubt.*



*Sincere sympathy to the family of .....*

*Patrick Boyle late of Fernhill Arklow*

	THIS WEEK WE REMEMBER	NEXT WEEK WE REMEMBER
SATURDAY BARNDARRIG 7.30PM	Mary-Anne Maher - 1st Anniversary Philomena Whelan	Henry & Albert Fleming Fr James Murphy PP
SUNDAY KILBRIDE 9.00AM	Special Intention	
SUNDAY BRITTAS BAY 12Noon	Bill & Peggy Tone Margaret & Raymond Sheane	
WEDNESDAY BARNDARRIG 10AM	NO MASS	

## KILBRIDE, BARNDARRIG & BRITTAS BAY PARISH

### 28th January 2024

**ENVELOPE/ CHURCH COLLECTION** - goes towards maintaining our parish - €730  
**1ST COLLECTION / COMMON FUND** - pays salaries of Priests of Diocese - €440  
**2ND COLLECTION / SHARE** - goes towards diocesan administration - €260

*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 : Leviticus13: 1-2, 44-46**

**Psalm : 31**

**Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 10:31, 11:1**

**Gospel: Mark 1:40-45**

*Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament  
in the Star of the Sea, Church,  
Brittas Bay*

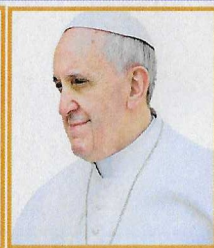


*Tuesday mornings from*

*The Rosary continues every Friday morning in St Mary's Church Barndarrig at 10am. Everybody is very welcome to join us for some beautiful time out while sharing the Rosary with one another.*

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

*For the terminally ill. We pray that those with a terminal illness, and their families, receive the necessary physical and spiritual care and accompaniment.*



## ANNUAL FAMILY OFFERING ENVELOPES

The new envelopes up to May of 2024 are now available in each church. A new box will be issued again in May for the next 12 months - 2024/2025. We are working off old information in preparing these boxes - so should you not have received your box of envelopes or your information is incorrect — please ring the Parish Office on 61699, and we will be very happy to send you out a new box or amend the details.

Can we take this opportunity to thank all those who regularly support the parish through the envelope / standing orders —and also remind you that the money in these envelopes and the monthly standing orders are **the only funds that stay in the parish and support the parish.** This money pays all the bills, buys the oil, maintains the churches, grounds and houses etc and is extremely important for the upkeep of the parish.

All other loose money in the collections goes to either the Common Fund (1st collection) or to the Share Fund (2nd collection) and is lodged directly into these accounts in Dublin.

If you would like to support your parish, we would be very happy to supply you with a box of envelopes or by sending you out a Standing Order form.

Over the next few weeks we will also be looking at the CHY3 scheme and will be looking at updating parishioners information in order to do the tax reclaims. We will fully explain this scheme nearer to the time.

Once again, a sincere thanks to all who supports this collection - it is very much appreciated.

### *Scripture Reflection*

*Making time to pause & reflect with others on the Sunday Gospels, on Wednesday mornings from 10.45am till 12noon in the Dominican Ecology Centre. Tea & coffee is provided and everyone is very welcome to join us*

#### PLEASE NOTE .....

THERE WILL BE NO MASS IN RATHNEW NEXT MONDAY 5TH AND TUESDAY 6TH FEBRUARY.

ALSO, NO MASS NEXT WEDNESDAY 7TH FEBRUARY IN BARNDARRIG AT 10AM.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE WILL BE NO MASS IN WICKLOW ON THURSDAY 8TH FEBRUARY.

INSTEAD, THAT MORNING THERE WILL BE A EUCHARISTIC SERVICE AT 10AM ON IN ST PATRICK'S CHURCH WICKLOW AND EVERYBODY IS VERY WELCOME TO ATTEND.

**Please note - Any notices for the newsletter need to be with the Parish Office by 12 noon on Wednesdays**