

KILBRIDE, BARNDARRIG & BRITTAS BAY

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C

9th November 2025

Fr. Martin Hogan Gospel Reflection

The Basilica of Saint John Lateran in Rome is the Cathedral church of the Pope in his role as Bishop of the Diocese of Rome. It is called 'Saint John' after the two monasteries once attached, dedicated to Saint John the apostle and Saint John the Baptist. As the Cathedral Church of the Pope it has the title '*Mother and Head of all the churches of the City and of the World*'. It is sometimes called the Lateran Basilica or the Basilica of Saint John Lateran. The '*Laterani*' were an old Roman family who probably once owned the land on which the Emperor Constantine, the first Christian Emperor, built this Basilica in the early decades of the fourth century. The present Basilica retains the plan given to it by Constantine but it has been rebuilt and restored over the centuries. It is one of the most important religious buildings in the Catholic Church. The most important religious building in the time of Jesus and the early church was the Jewish Temple in Jerusalem. In the words of today's responsorial psalm, it was '*the holy place where the Most High dwells. God is within, it cannot be shaken*'. At a time when this Temple was still standing in all its glory, Paul, writing to the church in Corinth, makes the extraordinary statement in today's second reading, '*Don't you realize that you are God's Temple and that the Spirit of God is living among you?*' Paul is declaring that the Most High now dwells in the community of believers who gather around the risen Lord.

The focal point of God's presence is no longer a building, no matter how magnificent, but the community of those who have responded in faith to the preaching of the gospel of Christ crucified and risen. Paul declares that the foundation of this building is the one he has laid, namely, Jesus Christ. If someone came along and tried to replace that foundation with another, the church would no longer be the focal point of God's presence in the world. In today's gospel reading from John, which was written perhaps thirty years after the Jewish Temple was destroyed by the Romans, Jesus speaks of himself as the temple of God, the focal point of God's presence. The Word who was God became flesh in Jesus; to see Jesus is to see God the Father. The risen Lord is the primary temple of God and the church can only be God's temple if the risen Lord remains its foundation. As individual believers, we can only mediate God's presence to our world to the extent that we allow his Son, our risen Lord, to live out his life in and through us.



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Office opening times

Monday - Friday: 10am – 12.30pm

	THIS WEEK WE REMEMBER	NEXT WEEK WE REMEMBER
SATURDAY BARNDARRIG 7.30PM	Michael & John Byrne Phyllis Wood Byrne Kitty Gall Tom Fleming (A)	Michael Kearns
SUNDAY KILBRIDE 9.00AM	Special Intention	
SUNDAY BRITTAS BAY 12Noon	Patrick O'Doherty Months Mind	Jim, Ted & Ellen Brennan (A) Jim & Bridie Burke (A) And the deceased members of the Burke & Quinn family
WEDNESDAY BARNDARRIG 10AM	Special Intention	

KILBRIDE, BARNDARRIG & BRITTAS BAY PARISH

2nd November 2025

ENVELOPE/ CHURCH COLLECTION - goes towards maintaining our parish - **€365**
1ST COLLECTION / COMMON FUND - pays salaries of Priests of Diocese - **€782**
2ND COLLECTION/SHARE- goes towards Diocesan Administration **€390**

NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS

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

FIRST READING: Malachi 3:19- 20

PSALM: Ps 97:5 –9

SECOND READING: Thessalonians 3:7 - 12

GOSPEL: Luke 21: 5 - 19

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

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



Baptism Meeting - De La Salle Centre at 8.00pm on Thursday 13th November

THERE WILL BE NO DECEMBER BAPTISM MEETING

In November, we remember.....

The Annual Mass for those who have been bereaved during the year will be on Tuesday 25th November at 7.30pm in the
Star of the Sea Church, Brittas Bay



Parish of Kilbride, Barndarrig & Brittas Bay

Rathnew Women's Social Enterprise

CRAFT Fair



SUNDAY NOVEMBER 23RD
11 am - 3 pm

St. Brigid's Hall, Rathnew A67 X583

Hand crafted gifts, Candles,
Sensory toys,
Up cycled creations, Crochet,
Knitwear, Cosy quilts
Baked goods, sweet treats & Refreshments

RATHNEW CRAFT FAIR MARKET

The Heart of Rathnew

Rialtas na hÉireann Government of Ireland

Co-mhaoinithe ag an Aontas Eorpach Co-funded by the European Union

pobal government supporting communities

SICAP

County Wicklow Partnership

LCDC

"The Social Inclusion and Community Activation Programme (SICAP) is co-funded by the Irish Government, through the Department of Rural and Community Development, and the European Social Fund Plus under the Employment, Inclusion, Skills and Training (EIST) Programme 2021 -2027."

WMDS
WICKLOW MUSICAL & DRAMATIC SOCIETY

SNOW WHITE

Into The Dark Woods

DATES – DECEMBER 5TH-7TH

EVENING SHOWS 5TH & 6TH 7-9PM
MATINEES 6TH 2-4PM & 7TH 3-5PM

**VENUE FATIMA HALL,
DOMINICAN COLLEGE**

**TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM
WWW.GR8TEVENTS.IE**



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If you would like to become a regular supporter to the Parish, please fill in this slip and return to the Parish Office or Sacristy

Name.....

Contact Number.....

Address.....

For we
WALK
by
FAITH,
not by
SIGHT

2 CORINTHIANS 5:7