

KILBRIDE, BARNDARRIG & BRITTAS BAY

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER 12th May 2024 Feast of the Ascension RCN 20016166



Donal Neary

Gospel Reflections

Going Out or Going Up?

The feast of the Ascension seems to be more about the apostles going out than Jesus going up! As Jesus goes to his Father, the message is for us now, and to be witnesses to him, sharing what we have received, and heard.

Witnesses to a road accident can often contradict each other. They get mixed up in what they saw or heard. Or they may have only glanced at the event and moved on. We can be witnesses of Jesus who stayed with the event, not just with a glance. We have seen and heard the best story ever told, and the most influential life ever lived.

We witness to Jesus in prayer, in reading the gospel and in service of others in love.

Prayer means being in touch with God who is reaching out to us. The gospel is what feeds us, a daily opening to the words and deeds of Jesus. Loving service brings us to witness the care of God as we give and receive care.

This is what we give to the ascended Lord and receive from him. The word of God is the divine word in human words. In our work for him, God is linking heaven and earth, and we are sharers in his divinity as he is in our humanity. Far from being the absence of Jesus, the *Ascension* is his presence in a new way among us.

*Looking up is a religious gesture.
Look up to the skies sometimes this week
and make a favourite prayer.
Lord, may your kingdom come!*



Advanced notice for the Blessing of the Graves

Barndarrig Cemetery: Tuesday, 2nd July @ 7.30pm

Three Mile Water Cemetery Monday, July 8th at 7.30pm

Castletimon Cemetery: Monday, July 15th at 7.30pm

The priest's graves in Barndarrig Churchyard will be blessed during this period

	THIS WEEK WE REMEMBER	NEXT WEEK WE REMEMBER
SATURDAY BARNDARRIG 7.30PM	Cora Crennan Deirdre Werder	Maureen Greene Seamus & Georgina Morrissey Magaret Murphy
SUNDAY KILBRIDE 9.00AM		
SUNDAY BRITTAS BAY 12Noon		
WEDNESDAY BARNDARRIG 10AM	Special Intention	

KILBRIDE, BARNDARRIG & BRITTAS BAY PARISH 5th May 2024

ENVELOPE/ CHURCH COLLECTION - goes towards maintaining our parish - € 920
1ST COLLECTION / COMMON FUND - pays salaries of Priests of Diocese - € 1130
2ND COLLECTION / SHARE FUND - goes towards diocesan administration - € 550

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 : Acts 2: 1-11

Psalm : 103

Second Reading:

Gospel: 5:16-25

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the Star of the Sea Church, Brittas Bay.
 Tuesday mornings from 9.00am until 10.00am



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.

Popes intention for April ~ For the role of women

We pray that the dignity and immense value of women be recognized in every culture, and for the end of discrimination that they experience in different parts of the world.



New Appointments in St Mantan Pastoral Area

Fr Eamonn Crosson, current Administrator of Ashford-Glenealy Parish will be reaching the retiring from active ministry age for Priests this year.

He has very generously agreed to continue in Ashford-Glenealy by taking up an appointment as a curate in the parish from the 6th July next.

Fr Aquinas Duffy will be appointed Parish Priest of Ashford-Glenealy in addition to his current appointment as Parish Priest of "Wicklow-Rathnew" and "Kilbride-Barndarrig-Brittias Bay" Parishes.

PARISH OFFICE ~ The contact number is 61699.

The Parish Office is located in the De La Salle Pastoral Centre and is open Monday through to Friday from 10am till 12.30 pm for all general parish enquiries, to book masses, to arrange baptisms / weddings bookings, enquiries, to drop in envelopes, buy mass cards etc. We would be very happy to help you - in person or on the phone.

PARISH CONTACTS

Fr Aquinas Duffy : 0404 67196

Fr Gerard Deegan : 0404 67133

Parish Office: 0404 61699

parishofficewicklow@gmail.com

Office opening times

**Monday - Friday:
10am – 12.30pm**

For all enquires and bookings

GROW MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT GROUP

every Wednesday afternoon at 2.30pm for anyone struggling with depression or anxiety or just the stresses of life.

Experience new hope and meaning through working on issues together in a peer support setting.

Call Trish Williams on 086 0129082 for more information or just turn up at the Wicklow Parish Centre.

Small donations for group running costs are welcome.

No 12 Noon Mass in St Patrick's

Church on Sunday 19th May

Please note that there will be **No 12 Noon Mass on Sunday 19th May in St Patrick's Church Wicklow**. That day Archbishop Dermot Farrell will be the celebrant of the 10.30 AM Mass during which he will also celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation for the boys and girls who are part of the De La Salle Parish Preparation group. There will be a 12 Noon Mass in Our Lady Star of the Sea Church in Brittas Bay.

Building Hope Novena to the Holy Spirit

A Novena Prayer will be recited each day from May 12th to May 20th. You are encouraged to also say this at home. Prayer Card and Novena Prayers are available on our website and a limited amount in the church.

This time is a dedicated period of prayer, reflection and planning for the renewal of the Church in the Archdiocese of Dublin

[Prayer-Card2024](#)

[Novena-Prayer-Booklet2024](#)

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

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 13TH JUNE
AT 8PM IN THE
DE LA SALLE PARISH CENTRE

Walk

with God when
your heart needs
company.

Turn

to God when
you need
someone to
lean on.

Take

His hands
when you
feel alone.

He

is there when
you need him
most.

Never

give up,
never back down,
never lose faith.

Trust

God, He can do
the impossible.

Kelly's
Treehouse

-Mar Razalan