

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 14TH MARCH**  
**AT 8PM IN THE**  
**DE LA SALLE PARISH CENTRE**



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 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.

**PARISH CONTACTS**

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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.**

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.....



Sometimes you  
face difficulties not because  
you're doing something wrong,  
but because you're doing  
something right.

**KILBRIDE, BARNDARRIG & BRITTAS BAY**

**WEEKLY NEWSLETTER**

**18th February 2023**

**RCN 20016166**

**First Sunday of Lent**



*Just***LENT 1**

**Our Prayer**

Loving God,  
in this season of Lent  
you call us to act justly,  
love tenderly  
and walk humbly with each other  
so that we can build  
your Kingdom of justice and peace,  
your Kingdom of love and truth,  
your Kingdom of holiness and grace  
in our world today. AMEN

**Sunday Scripture Link**

1st Sunday of Lent  
Genesis 9: 8-15  
1 Peter 3: 18-22  
Mark 1: 12-15

**Theme:**

**Flood and Desert**



- In this Sunday's first and second readings you will notice mention of a flood.
- Flood in the Bible connects with danger and disaster, but our first reading assures us that God will never destroy the earth.
- Jesus is in the wilderness of the desert in the Gospel and he emerges from this experience proclaiming Good News from God.
- The early Christians realised that the flood of God's grace, which flows from Jesus' desert experience, is positive because it is about our Baptism.

“There is no life without water. We cannot survive without it. Sometimes we call Planet Earth, the Blue Planet. Salt water accounts for 97.5 per cent of all water in the earth; the remaining 2.5 per cent is fresh water. This 2.5 per cent sustains human life on earth – our life. In a real sense it is the foundation of all human civilisation; however, because it seems to be in such abundance, we appear to take water for granted. While fresh water is a global concern, it is always a local issue. Most people drink from the well in their own yard. In the past one hundred and fifty years, with the significant industrialisation of society and of agriculture, the demand for fresh water has increased exponentially, and the effects of vastly increased urban living can be seen in our rivers, lakes and oceans.”

#2.1 The Cry of the Earth, The Cry of the Poor  
Archbishop Dermot Farrell

- SEE** What effects of flooding are you noticing in our country and world?
- DISCERN** How much water does your household use for cooking, bathing and cleaning?
- ACT** What could you do differently this Lent to preserve water?

	THIS WEEK WE REMEMBER	NEXT WEEK WE REMEMBER
SATURDAY BARNDARRIG 7.30PM	Alfie Greene, John Bolton, Fr William Dunphy PP	
SUNDAY KILBRIDE 9.00AM	Special Intention	Tom Delahunt - 1st Anniversary
SUNDAY BRITTAS BAY 12Noon	Nuala Staunton - 1st Anniversary	Miriam MacMahon
WEDNESDAY BARNDARRIG 10AM	Special Intention	Lil Kelly

## KILBRIDE, BARNDARRIG & BRITTAS BAY PARISH 11th February 2024

**ENVELOPE/ CHURCH COLLECTION** - goes towards maintaining our parish - €330  
**1ST COLLECTION / COMMON FUND** - pays salaries of Priests of Diocese - €505  
**2ND COLLECTION / SHARE** - goes towards diocesan administration - €275

*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 : Genesis 22:1-2,9-13, 15-18**

**Psalm : Ps 115**

**Second Reading: Romans 8: 31-34**

**Gospel: Mark 9: 2-10**

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



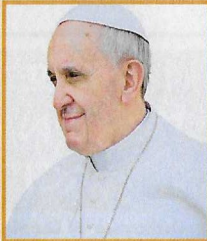
*Tuesday mornings from*

*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*



**The annual collection for ACCORD Dublin, the Diocesan Agency for Marriage and the Family, will be made at all Masses this weekend of 17th & 18th February 2024.**

ACCORD Dublin throughout the Diocese offers:  
**Marriage Preparation courses - online, small groups.**

**Counselling for couples and individuals experiencing difficulties in their relationships, currently online or by phone.**

**A Relationship and Sexuality Programme for schools.**

**ACCORD Dublin needs your support this year more than ever.**