

KILBRIDE, BARNDARRIG & BRITTAS BAY. WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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25th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

20th September 2026

Donal Neary SJ Gospel Reflections for Year A: Matthew

Deserving our rights

We often say that people don't deserve welfare or food if they don't work. We can be stingy in judging what others deserve and need.

Jesus has a new way. We deserve our rights even when we do the least. The denarius was a day's wage, enough to live on. There are certain rights we all have - to have food and a job are two of them. These people wanted to work. We are rewarded by God for who we are, not for what we do.

Jesus' vision is that everyone deserves to earn enough to live on.

To believe in a God who is an unconditional Friend, is to have the most liberating experience that one could imagine. On the contrary, to live in the presence of an avenging and threatening God could change us into the most dangerous and self-destructive neurotics. We need to learn not to confuse God with our own narrow and stingy plans. We sometimes wish to distort God's unfathomable goodness. (Jose Pagola).

That's the way the kingdom of God grows. It grows within us in thanks and sharing. That's what we do at every Mass. Success for Jesus is not the amount we do, but that we do things with a full heart.

Recall the picture of a dole queue or a provision centre and pray.

***Lord, may all I do this day and week begin with your inspiration
and end with your pleasure. Amen.***



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Office opening times

Monday - Friday: 10am – 12.30pm

	THIS WEEK WE REMEMBER	NEXT WEEK WE REMEMBER
SATURDAY BARNDARRIG 7.30PM	Esther Kinsella in remb.	Mark Bergin
SUNDAY KILBRIDE 9.00AM	Pat Morrissey M.M, Michael Boylan (A) & his parents Michael & Mattie	
SUNDAY BRITTAS BAY 12Noon	Liam Lott in remb.	Paddy & Nan Walsh & deceased members of the Walsh family
WEDNESDAY BARNDARRIG 10AM	John Hughes in remb.	

**If you would like to reflect on next Sundays Readings,
please check...**

FIRST READING: Isaiah 55: 6 - 9

PSALM: (Ps. 144)

SECOND READING: Philippians 1: 20 - 24.27

GOSPEL: Matthew 20: 1-16



On Saturday 12th Sept. Baby Michael Patrick Healy was presented for Baptism at Saint Mary's Church, Barndarrig and was baptised by Fr. Kevin Rowan.

We extend our warmest thanks to his parents, godparents, and extended family for undertaking the beautiful commitment to bring him up in the Catholic faith.

Parish of Kilbride, Barndarrig and Brittas Bay

Baptism Preparation Meeting



**1st Wednesday of every month at 7.30pm
Saint Mary's Church, Barndarrig**

**Book via Parish Office
0404 61699 or speak to Parish Sacristans**

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Barndarrig and Brittas Bay

Weekly Devotions

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
and Holy Hour every Thursday 9am to 10am
in Our Lady Star of the Sea, Brittas Bay

Rosary every Friday at 10am
in Saint Mary's Church, Barndarrig
(First Fridays at 9.20am)

Monthly Devotions

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and
Divine Mercy Chaplet - 1st Thursday of every
month in Saint Brigid's, Kilbride

All Welcome



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
KBB	Second Saturday	2.00pm



Baptism Meeting - St. Mary's Church, Barndarrig at 7:30pm on Wed. 7th October

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

<u>Ashford:</u>	1st Friday after Mass
<u>Wicklow:</u>	Mondays and Thursdays after Mass
<u>Kilbride:</u>	1st Thursday at 7pm (Divine Mercy)
<u>Brittas Bay:</u>	Thursdays at 9am



WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

13th September

Here is where your donations go to.

Many thanks for your continued support.

PARISH ENVELOPE & STANDING ORDER DONATIONS	1ST COLLECTION COMMON FUND & DUES ENVELOPES	2ND COLLECTION SHARE
The Envelope/Standing Orders are what funds the Parish through its donations. They stay locally in the parish and are vital to sustain our Parish. These envelopes and Standing Orders maintain the Churches, Parish Centre, Houses, general maintenance and administration expenses.	The Common Fund account is funded by all the loose notes & coins in the First Collection. It is used to provide suitable and equitable remuneration and support for all priests serving in the diocese, including active, sick, and retired clergy.	The Share account is funded by all loose notes & coins in the Second collection. It is primarily used to finance central support services for all parishes, and to provide financial assistance to low-income parishes.
The money received in these envelopes is lodged directly to the Parish account.	This loose money is lodged directly to the Diocesan Common Fund Account	This loose money is lodged directly to the Diocesan Share Account
€100 5 envelopes received	€545	€355

Parish Religious Education Classes

The parish offers Religious Education classes for Catholic children who are attending non-Catholic Schools. Parents who wish to present their child for the Sacraments of First Holy Communion & Confirmation are invited to enrol them for a two-year programme of preparation.

Online Registration is now available on www.stmantan.ie

Go to General Information click into Sacraments then click Parish Religious Education Programme and enrolment. You can now enrol your child by clicking on the relevant link and filling in the form. Payment can be made at the end of the form.

Sacramental Registration 2026 ~ 2027

Parents wishing to have their child receive the Sacraments of First Holy Communion & Confirmation may now register online on www.stmantan.ie. Go to general information then sacraments, choose your sacrament & fill in the form.

Any problems or for more information, please contact the parish office on 0404 61699 between 10am & 12.30pm

Local Vincent de Paul (St. Kevins Conference)

The Local Vincent de Paul are having a church gate collection on the 26th & 27th of September at all masses.



Cross Care Annual Appeal 2026

The Cross Care Annual Appeal collection is taking place this weekend 19th & 20th of September. It will replace the SHARE Collection. Your support as normal would be appreciated.

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Feast of Saint Therese
October 1st

Blessing of Roses will take place at the 7.30pm Mass in Saint Mary's, Barndarrig on Saturday 3rd October

All parishioners are warmly invited to bring a rose to be blessed on the evening