

# KILBRIDE, BARNDARRIG & BRITTAS BAY

## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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**25th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C**

**21st September 2025**

### *Donal Neary S.J. Gospel Reflection ~ On the side of the poor*

Isn't it still the same as the first reading has it? The poor get the worst of things, and are diddled; it's quite contemporary. It is about greed and fooling the poor; raising the shekel - like raising the exchange rate so that the poorer countries get less dollars for their kwacha and rupees; golden handshakes for people whose greed is palpable and whose attitudes have left so many people hard up; money well protected and taxes avoided if not evaded. Our waste of food could feed so many. People are poor not through their own fault but because they are neglected.

How many of the poorer schools are becoming less well off, with resources such as special needs assistants taken away. Hospital care is getting worse, as people wait for prolonged periods for treatment. Mostly the poor will first suffer from economic mishap. **G**od hates this - he hates mistreatment of his people. **J**esus raged against the exploitation of the poor.

**W**e pay tribute to the people who work for the poor and needy - in the parish; in diocesan and other social agencies, and our volunteers at home and abroad. Can we vote for public representatives who care for the poor?

The call to the **C**hurch is to care as **J**esus cared; we need the harsh words of the first reading sometimes to waken us up, and the story of **J**esus to make sure we don't sleep again.

*Pope Francis said:  
'if investments in banks drop a little: It's a tragedy!  
But if people are starving, if they have nothing to eat,  
if they are not healthy; **They die!**  
This is our crisis today,  
Lord, may your kingdom come.*



### PARISH CONTACTS

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**Office opening times**

**Monday - Friday: 10am – 12.30pm**

	THIS WEEK WE REMEMBER	NEXT WEEK WE REMEMBER
<b>SATURDAY BARNDARRIG 7.30PM</b>	<b>Mark Bergin Edward &amp; Catherine Breen (A) Sheila O'Neill R.D</b>	<b>John Whelan (A) Patrick O'Neill (A)</b>
<b>SUNDAY KILBRIDE 9.00AM</b>	<b>Michael Boylan &amp; his parents Michael &amp; Mattie</b>	
<b>SUNDAY BRITTAS BAY 12Noon</b>	<b>Paddy &amp; Nan Walshe (A)&amp; Deceased members of Walshe Family</b>	
<b>WEDNESDAY BARNDARRIG 10AM</b>	<b>Paddy Crean</b>	

## KILBRIDE, BARNDARRIG & BRITTAS BAY PARISH

14th September 2025

**ENVELOPE/ CHURCH COLLECTION** - goes towards maintaining our parish - € 60  
**1ST COLLECTION / COMMON FUND** - pays salaries of Priests of Diocese - € 510  
**2ND COLLECTION/SHARE** - goes towards Diocesan Administration € 295

## 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: Amos 6:1, 4-7**

**PSALM: Ps 145: 6-10**

**SECOND READING: Timothy 6,11-16**

**GOSPEL: Luke 16:19 – 31**

## 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 9th October**

## DRAW & GROW

MINDFUL ART WITH PLANTS

**FREE WORKSHOP**

**Tuesday**  
23rd September  
10am - 12pm  
Wicklow Town Library

GREENHOUSE CULTURE

Rathnew Women's Social Enterprise

## CRAFT FAIR

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 28TH

**11AM TO 3 PM**  
ST. BRIGID'S HALL RATHNEW  
A67 X583

HAND CRAFTED GOODS, CROCHET,  
KNITWEAR, GIFTS, SENSORY TOYS,  
UP-CYCLED CREATIONS, COZY QUILTS,  
BAKED GOODS & REFRESHMENTS

"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."

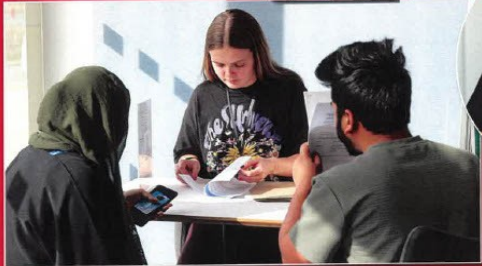
## First Holy Communion and Confirmation 2026

Registration for First Holy Communion and Confirmation 2026 for children attending Catholic schools in the Pastoral Area is now open on the Pastoral Area website, [www.stmantan.ie](http://www.stmantan.ie) – under General Information and then Sacraments you will see a section for First Holy Communion and one for Confirmation. When you open one of these there is a link to the Registration Forms. Once you have completed and submitted the form you will be redirected to Payzone in order to pay the registration fee of €10 which goes towards administration costs. Please register at your earliest convenience as this will ensure you receive emails about upcoming meetings and ceremonies.



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# Annual Appeal 2025



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phone 01-8360011 to  
donate



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All our services are free of charge*

**0404 32696 or 086 821 6694**

Email [info@wicklowcancersupport.ie](mailto:info@wicklowcancersupport.ie)

Open: Mon-Fri: 10.00-5.00.  
Closed for lunch 1-2p.m.



## Cross Care Annual Appeal 2025

The Cross Care Annual Appeal collection is taking place this weekend  
20th & 21st of September. It will replace the SHARE Collection.  
Your support as normal would be appreciated

Your contribution to the Church is your  
appreciation for your parish.

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.....

May every sunrise  
bring you *hope*.  
may every sunset  
bring you *peace*.