

KILBRIDE, BARNDARRIG & BRITTAS BAY

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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First Sunday of Lent Year A

22nd February 2026

Donal Neary SJ Gospel Reflections for Year A: Matthew

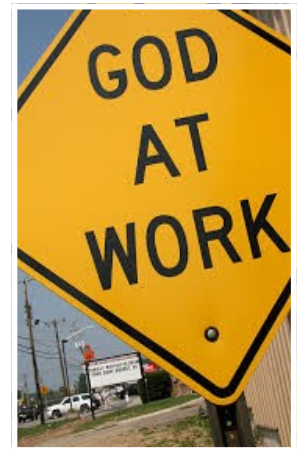
Jesus is tempted to use creation just for himself. This can happen with money, to other people, the environment and religion. We are called to look after God's creation, not control it.

To be co-workers with God is our call - to focus on people as well as plans, to feel the needs here and abroad.

One view of God is that he looks after the world for good or bad, and we are just the receivers. The other is that we are co-workers in developing the world and God's creation. Jesus was tempted to throw himself away from the world as he knew it, but he did not. He would live by the word of God, and God would care for him as for the parents in the first reading.

'A Christian who doesn't safeguard creation, or who doesn't make it flourish, is a Christian who isn't concerned with God's work, that work born of God's love for us' (Pope Francis, 2015).

The temptation to Jesus was to take him off the path of his father. Like him, we are often tempted to use the creation of God just for our benefit. Our call is to be co-creators of the world with God.



Imagine a garden where everything is beautiful. It is the 'creation' of a gardener. Then imagine that someone has ruined one corner of it- notice the difference. Apply this to how we treat God's creation.

*May we care for your creation, O Lord,
with the love you have for creation and for us.*

PARISH CONTACTS

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Office opening times

Monday - Friday: 10am - 12.30pm

	THIS WEEK WE REMEMBER	NEXT WEEK WE REMEMBER
SATURDAY BARNDARRIG 7.30PM	Liam Sinnott MM Brendan Stone - 1st Anniversary	Henry Fleming (A) Albert Fleming
SUNDAY KILBRIDE 9.00AM	Gary and Pat Hurley (A) Tom Delahunt (A)	
SUNDAY BRITTAS BAY 12Noon	Madeline O'Brien R.D	Miriam Macmahon Ellen Byrne (A)
WEDNESDAY BARNDARRIG 10AM	Special Intention	

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



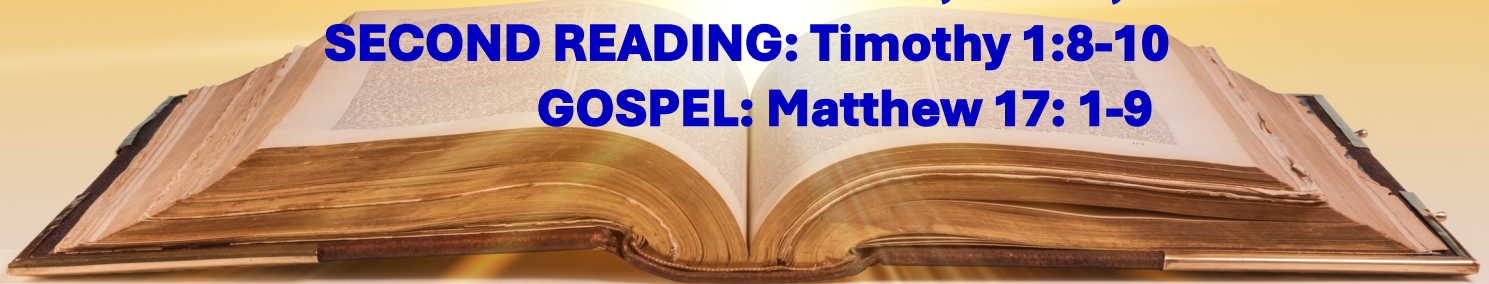
If you would like to reflect on next Sundays Readings,
please check...

FIRST READING: Genesis 12: 1 - 4

PSALM: Ps. 32: 4-5, 18 - 20, 22

SECOND READING: Timothy 1:8-10

GOSPEL: Matthew 17: 1-9



Parish of Kilbride, Barndarrig and Brittas Bay

**During the Season of Lent The Stations of the Cross will continue every
Friday Evening on a rotational basis in**

St Brigid's Kilbride, Star of the Sea Brittas Bay, St Mary's Barndarrig

Stations of the Cross in Our Lady Star of the Sea, Church, Brittas Bay

On Friday 27th February at 7.30pm

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 the 12th March

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

15th February 2026

Here is where your donations go to.

Many thanks for your continued support.

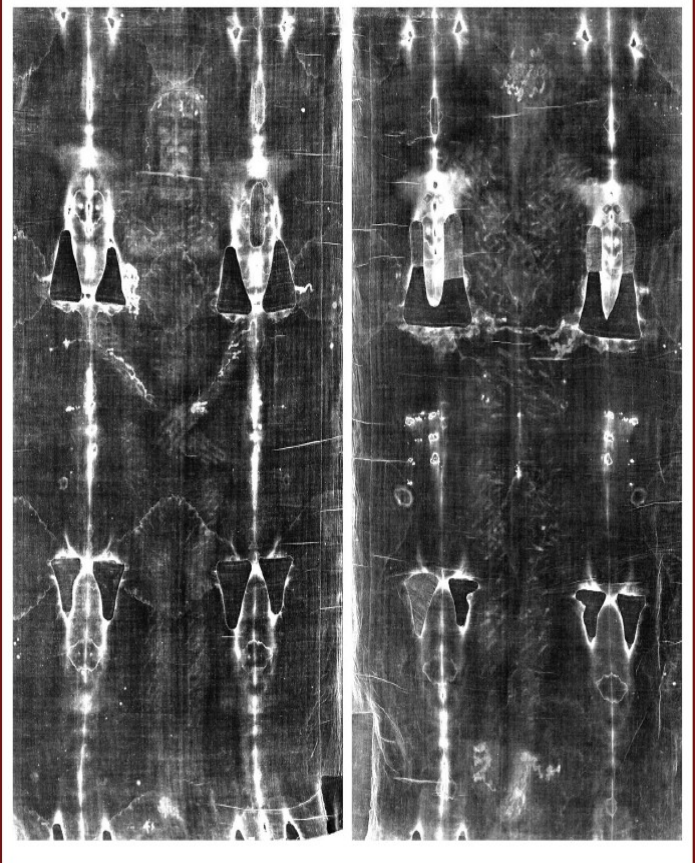
PARISH ENVELOPE & STANDING ORDER DONATIONS	1ST COLLECTION COMMON FUND & DUES ENVELOPES	2ND COLLECTION - SHARE
<p>The Envelope/Standing Orders are what funds the Parish through its donations. They stay locally in the parish and are vital to sustain our Parish. These envelopes and Standing Orders maintain the Churches, Parish Centre, Houses, general maintenance and administration expenses.</p>	<p>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.</p>	<p>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.</p>
<p>The money received in these envelopes is lodged directly to the Parish account.</p>	<p>This loose money is lodged directly to the Diocesan Common Fund Account</p>	<p>This loose money is lodged directly to the Diocesan Share Account Accord Collection</p>
<p>€640 3 envelopes received</p>	<p>€415</p>	<p>€485</p>

We welcome into our Parish Community baby Odhrán Peter Booth who received the Sacrament of Baptism in St. Brigid's Church Kilbride last weekend.



 - IN AID OF -
Brittas Bay National School
DICEY'S MEGA BINGO
Jack Whites Inn, Brittas Bay
Fri. 27th Feb. at 8pm
• €1,000 PRIZEFUND •
BOOK & JACKPOT SHEET - €10
Plus Raffle on the night !!!

The Man in The Shroud



A deeper understanding of the Lord's Passion and Resurrection as revealed by the Shroud of Turin

Join us for a talk on the Shroud of Turin by Robert Freese on Friday the 6th of March at 7pm in the De la Salle Pastoral Centre, Saint Patrick's Church, Wicklow Town, A67 FX65



Bethany Bereavement Support Group



Many bereaved people find it beneficial to receive support from trained volunteers

Bethany Bereavement Support is now offering additional drop-in meetings. These will be held at 10.45 am on the 1st Tuesday of each month in the De La Salle Centre, Wicklow A67 FX65. Commencing on 3rd March 2026.

We hope this will make it easier for you to receive our support.

Our current evening meetings continue as usual. These meetings are held at 8pm on the last Tuesday of every month. You are welcome to drop into either meeting.

If you prefer, we can meet with you in person. You can call us, in confidence, on 086 835 9148 and be assured of our compassion and understanding.

All our help is free and confidential