

KILBRIDE, BARNDARRIG & BRITTAS BAY

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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21st Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C

24th August 2025

Donal Neary S.J. Gospel Reflection ~ World of love

In a family so much love is lavished on the new-born first child, and you hear them saying that's the end of freedom now for a good few years. Or the grandchildren come and there's the babysitting. Life deepens love and narrows our freedom. Jesus says elsewhere that love is the door to eternal life. In laying down life for a friend, the cross was a narrow door.

Real love means little things a lot of the time, and with God it means time now and then dedicated to prayer and to worship, as well as loving our neighbour.

Love demands a lot as well as giving a lot. With the people we most love, we are most vulnerable and they can bring the worst and the best out in us.

The sick child, the elderly in the family, those in prison or in a difficult marriage call on our love, as does a husband or wife needing a lot of care in illness or old age. There is a special love shown by volunteers in our country and the developing world. The grandchild who is isolated and lonely calls too on our love. This is the world of love, the only world worth sacrificing anything for.

The condition for entering is not where you come from, whether you are first or last, whether you wear the right clothes or even turn up on time - the condition is that, in the way of the living God, you hear the word of God daily and live by it faithfully.

*Lord, may your will of love
be done on Earth.*



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Office opening times

Monday - Friday: 10am – 12.30pm

	THIS WEEK WE REMEMBER	NEXT WEEK WE REMEMBER
SATURDAY BARNDARRIG 7.30PM	Charlotte Savill 1st Anniversary	NO MASS
SUNDAY KILBRIDE 9.00AM	Charlotte Savill 1st Anniversary	
SUNDAY BRITTAS BAY 12Noon	Owen Byrne (A)	Joe Ryan Months Mind
WEDNESDAY BARNDARRIG 10AM	NO MASS Mass in Wicklow Town 10AM	

KILBRIDE, BARNDARRIG & BRITTAS BAY PARISH

17th August 2025

ENVELOPE/ CHURCH COLLECTION - goes towards maintaining our parish - **€90**
1ST COLLECTION / COMMON FUND - pays salaries of Priests of Diocese - **€305**
2ND COLLECTION/SHARE - goes towards Diocesan Administration **€115**

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: Ecclesiasticus 3,17-20,28-29

PSALM: 67:4-7,10-11

SECOND READING: Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24

GOSPEL: Luke 14:1,7-14

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 11th September

JubileeCamino

Men's Hike - Carlingford to Newry

Saturday September 13th



Mass. Adoration. Fraternity.

Cost: €70 (Lunch, Dinner, Bus)

Strictly an over 18yrs, Catholic male event.

Contact op.evangelisation@gmail.com for further details

Organised by Dominicans and Friends www.dominicans.ie



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.

Congratulations to all couples planning their marriage.

REMEMBER ...to give 3 months notice to the parish where you live.

Your local parish is responsible for organising the paperwork necessary for the Sacrament of Marriage irrespective of where the wedding will take place.

Be sure to get in touch with the Parish Office to make arrangements to complete wedding papers at least 3 months before the date of the proposed wedding.



As part of the Jubilee Year - Pilgrims of Hope 2025,
The Pockets of Hope will be on display in Brittas Bay Church for
the month of August. Everyone one is invited to make there own
mini-pilgrimage as they review the Pockets of Hope and consider
what message they get from them.



Hopelessness can often be a characteristic of many lives today. This is not difficult to believe as with increasing secularism, war, violence, lack of social cohesion, the lack of care for our planet and general brokenness, it can be a real challenge to be a person of hope. In response to our plight Pockets of Hope is a project created by Fr. Alan Hilliard and designed by Mary-Aoife Ong which is based on the writings of Pope Francis in the document Spes Non Confundit (Hope Does Not Disappoint) which is the theme for The Jubilee Year of Hope 2025. Pockets of Hope draws on the imagery of the Burren Landscape on the western shore of Ireland. The display aims to highlight how hope can be discovered even amidst the most bleak of landscapes.

You are invited to complete your own mini pilgrim journey as you contemplate each message of hope and let God speak to you through the reflections. This is a selection from the complete set of forty-two posters which are on display in the Dublin Churches. It allows the pilgrim journey though the document, contemplating its rich and life-giving narrative for today's world. It is the desire that many people in Ireland can be filled with the gift of Hope through this project!

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.....

