

KILBRIDE, BARNDARRIG & BRITTAS BAY

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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30th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C

26th October 2025

Donal Neary S.J. Gospel Reflection ~ The Pharisee's boast

This is one of these stories of people who didn't like each other, and brought the worst out of each other. The **Pharisee** was strict on religion, and the **tax man** was a greedy sinner. Each made the other feel awful about themselves, especially before **God**.

The **Pharisee** started boasting about his religious fervent observance. The tax man just swallowed his prejudice and admitted to God that he was a sinner. The **Pharisee** would look good in any religious line-up, and the tax man would be in the corner of the line-up, almost cowering in the back of the prayer- place, hoping nobody would see him.

But he knew who he was before God; he admitted his weakness. The Pharisee pretended religious fervour and looked down on the tax man, one of **God's** favourites. **Jesus** comments on the story that everyone would recognise, and we recognise ourselves in both people: the proud and arrogant person at times, and at other times, the one who feels a total failure.

He just says - in admitting who you are, you are high in the sight of **God** and high at **God's** table. Just to be oneself before **God** can be difficult. Many gospel stories are about this reality. We need to give those few silent moments each day to an awareness of being loved by God. In that we are humbled, that one as good as **God** could love us so totally, and so we are exalted.

We are gifted by **God's** grace and if we can enjoy our identity as a child of **God** we will find happiness in life.

*Lord teach me to know you more,
to love you more and
serve you faithfully in my life.*



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	Patrick & Annie Brown, Fr. Bertie Moore, Mary Lott, Ellen White (A), Margaret Byrne (A), Preston Cross (A), Jack Conway	
SUNDAY KILBRIDE 9.00AM	Angela Hender R.D	
SUNDAY BRITTAS BAY 12Noon	Special Intention Celine O'Connor R.D	Liam Staunton 1st Anni.
WEDNESDAY BARNDARRIG 10AM	Margaret Conway R.D	
FRIDAY VIGIL MASS BARNDARRIG 7:30PM ALL SAINTS DAY	Philomena O'Dowd R.D	

KILBRIDE, BARNDARRIG & BRITTAS BAY PARISH

19th October 2025

ENVELOPE/ CHURCH COLLECTION - goes towards maintaining our parish - **€1150**
1ST COLLECTION / COMMON FUND - pays salaries of Priests of Diocese - **€515**
2ND COLLECTION/SHARE - Mission Sunday **€805**

NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS

To reflect on the readings please check
catholicireland.net / sacredspace.ie / universalis.com

FIRST READING: Isaiah 25:6-9

PSALM: Ps 26:1,4,7-9,13-14

SECOND READING: Romans 5:5-11

GOSPEL: Luke 7:11-17

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 13th November

THERE WILL BE NO DECEMBER BAPTISM MEETING

In November, we remember.....

The Annual Mass for those who have been bereaved during the year will be on Tuesday 25th November at 7.30pm in the Star of the Sea Church, Brittas Bay



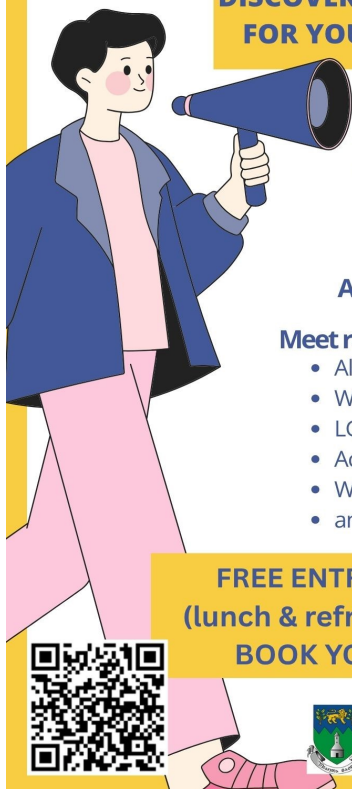
Parish of Kilbride, Barndarrig & Brittas Bay

All families, who have lost a loved one in the last year, will receive a letter. If anyone would like to include a relative, friend or someone with strong association with parish, who died in the last twelve months please contact the Parish Office in Wicklow 0404-61699 or email parishofficewicklow@gmail.com before 7/11/2025



EXPO

**AGED OVER 55??
DISCOVER SERVICES AND SUPPORTS
FOR YOU IN COUNTY WICKLOW!**



**THURSDAY,
30TH OCTOBER
2025**

11am - 4pm

Arklow Bay Hotel, Arklow

Meet representatives from:

- Alone
- Wicklow Library service
- LGBT Ireland
- Active Retirement Ireland
- Wicklow Traveller Group
- and many more!

**FREE ENTRY - ALL WELCOME!
(lunch & refreshments provided)
BOOK YOUR SPACE NOW!**



**Comhairle Contae Chill Mhantáin
Wicklow County Council**

**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 -
All our services are free of charge*

0404 32696 or 086 821 6694

Email info@wicklowcancersupport.ie

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



**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
supporter to the Parish, please fill in this slip
and return to the Parish Office or Sacristy**

Name.....

Contact Number.....

Address.....

