

KILBRIDE, BARNDARRIG & BRITTAS BAY

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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17th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C

(World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly)

27th July 2025

Donal Neary S.J. Gospel Reflection ~ Trust in prayer

Often I pray to St Anthony and I find what I was looking for. I can't understand why but it brings up the question of praying for what we want and need. People pray hard for an intention; some pray for ages and are answered, some are not.

We often pray for what may be outside God's control: that someone may give up drink, when the person may not want to; that children will be kept safe on the roads, but they are killed or injured with the careless and dangerous driving of someone else, maybe under addictive influence.

We are encouraged always to pray with hope and persistence, believing that we always get something. In the asking is the receiving, and we never leave prayer worse off than when we began.

For any time we give to prayer, we get something. We are transformed. St Ignatius of Loyola speaks of the effect of prayer - *an increase in faith, hope and love*. We may not get the specific intention but we always get the Holy Spirit. I have never left prayer the poorer than when I began. In the knocking at the door itself something is opened. In asking and seeking we get something. The first gift of prayer is the love of God. Other gifts follow.

Prayer increases our trust in God, that he wants our good and is with us in love.

So we pray for what we need and then leave the prayer with God, to be answered as he can. This is one of the greatest faiths of all.

*Our Father,
holy be your name,
your kingdom come and
will be done within me and
in earth and in heaven.*



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	NO MASS	Christopher Byrne Mary Byrne (A)
SUNDAY KILBRIDE 9.00AM		
SUNDAY BRITTAS BAY 12Noon	Jimmy Mc Shane - Months Mind Bill Lott, Mary Salley (A)	Eugene Byrne (A)
WEDNESDAY BARNDARRIG 10AM	NO MASS	

KILBRIDE, BARNDARRIG & BRITTAS BAY PARISH

20th July 2025

ENVELOPE/ CHURCH COLLECTION - goes towards maintaining our parish - € 10
1ST COLLECTION / COMMON FUND - pays salaries of Priests of Diocese - € 240
2ND COLLECTION/SHARE - goes towards Diocesan Administration €120

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: Ecclesiastes 1:2, 2:21-23

PSALM: 94:1-2, 6-9

SECOND READING: Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11

GOSPEL: Luke 12:13-21

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	2pm
	Third Sunday	1pm
Rathnew	Fourth Saturday	2pm
Ashford	First Sunday	12 noon
Glenealy	Third Saturday	12 noon
BBK	Second Saturday	2pm



Baptism Meeting - De La Salle Centre at 8.00pm on Thursday 14th August



County Wicklow Partnership



JOB VACANCY IN BRITTAS BAY PARISH

Brittas Bay Parish are looking for a person who is interested in working in a Caretaking role.

This placement is through County Wicklow Partnership's Tús Programme.

The placement will be for 1 year and participants will be required to work for 19½ hours per week and you are free to take up other employment outside of their 19½ hours.

To qualify for Tús, you must be fully unemployed for 12 months or more. You can also qualify if are on a Disability payment too.

Payment is at the full rate of Jobseekers Allowance plus €27.50 top-up.

Information: Following recent changes, you can now self-select for a position with Tús while engaging with Turas Nua.

For more information or to apply, contact Kevin Hennessy on khennessy@wicklowpartnership.ie or 0876739301

WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY

In recent years the Sunday closest to the Feast of Ss Joachim and Anne has been designated

World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly

This year that Sunday falls on **July 27.**

Prayer for the Fifth World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly

*How beautiful are these words of yours, Lord!
Help us to continue our pilgrimage through time,
animated by the hope that comes from You!
Help us in this divisive world, to bring the hope of communion.
Help us in this world, wounded by wars,
to bring the hope of peace.
Help us in this world, which is dehumanizing,
to bring the beauty of an ancient smile.
Help us to be, for our grandchildren, for our loved ones and
for everyone we meet, the memory of your tenderness.
Help us to bring, in a world distracted from You,
the Hope of a new life that only You can give!
For in You, Lord, nothing is lost
For in You, Lord, everything begins again!
Amen*

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.....

Dear Lord, fill my heart with
hope and my mind with peace.

In the face of uncertainty,
help me to trust in Your plan and
to remain steadfast in my faith.
Guide me through the darkness
and into the light of Your love.

