

Shape Our Future

# Support Lay Ministry

Sat 27th & Sun 28th April



## LAY MINISTRY APPEAL

Will replace the normal SHARE collection this weekend. Your support as usual would be very much appreciated

## WICKLOW COPD GROUP

COPD Exercise class to help improve your breathing every Monday in the De La Salle Pastoral Centre.

Fully qualified Instructors

Further information from Denis Teevan on 086 8174 703

Your contribution to the Church is your appreciation for your parish. If you would like to become a regular contributor to the Parish, please fill in this slip and return to Parish Office or Sacristy

Name.....

Contact Number.....

Address.....



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!*

Phone 0404 32696 or 086 821 6694

Our office is open Mon-Fri from 10.00 -1.00 and 2.00-5.00

Any parents who wish to have a child baptised are asked to attend an introductory meeting before booking a date for the baptism. At this meeting you will be given all the necessary information about the Sacrament of Baptism and the commitment required of the parents who request it for their child. The next meeting will be on

**THURSDAY 9TH MAY**  
**AT 8PM IN THE**  
**DE LA SALLE PARISH CENTRE**

Relatable Post #3593

Procrastinator? No. I just wait until the last second to do my work because I will be older, therefore wiser.

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## KILBRIDE, BARNDARRIG & BRITTAS BAY

### WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

28th April 2024

Fifth Sunday of Easter

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Gospel Reflections

Without some centre of unity, groups lose their way. A team which puts its eyes on money rather than on teamwork will lose games. A family which relies on anything other than love to keep it together will fall apart. The church, the community of Jesus is something similar.

What keeps the church together at its best is Jesus. Human leadership, moral authority, ritual dogmatism, are not the centre of the church. Leadership can fail, moral authority can take wrong turnings and ritual dogmatism can override the concerns of people. The centre of the church is Jesus Christ. Our unity with Jesus is the central bond of the church. He is the Vine, we the branches.

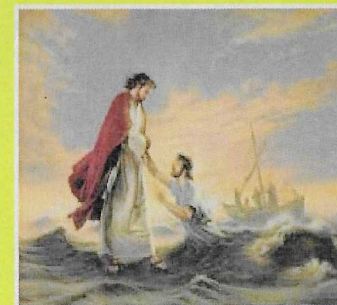
When we have been let down by the church, like in the situations of abuse, or cover-ups by church authority, we are kept going as Christians by our unity with Jesus.

The image of roots and branches, of fruit and tree, all very much part of each other, is what Jesus uses. Other images like this might be the unity or light and colour in a rainbow.

Only if we can look on Jesus Christ as the centre of our faith can church life be sincere and have the energy which will save and change our world.

*Imagine yourself being with Jesus; just the two of you. Share what is in your heart and listen to how his word echoes within you.*

*May we dwell in you, Lord, as you dwell in us. Give us your peace, your energy, your joy.*



### Advanced notice for the Blessing of the Graves

Barndarrig Cemetery: Tuesday, 2nd July @ 7.30pm

Three Mile Water Cemetery Monday, July 8th at 7.30pm

Castletimon Cemetery: Monday, July 15th at 7.30pm

The priest's graves in Barndarrig Churchyard will be blessed during this period



	THIS WEEK WE REMEMBER	NEXT WEEK WE REMEMBER
<b>SATURDAY BARNDARRIG 8PM</b>	Special Intention	Mary Fanning - Months Mind Fr Joseph Doran, Kathleen Byrne
<b>SUNDAY KILBRIDE 9.00AM</b>	Special Intention	Derry Reburn, Joan Hamilton
<b>SUNDAY BRITTAS BAY 12Noon</b>	Mary Staunton Smith (A) Mary Healy (Birthday Int)	
<b>WEDNESDAY BARNDARRIG 10AM</b>	Special Intention	

**KILBRIDE, BARNDARRIG & BRITTAS BAY PARISH**  
21st April 2024

**ENVELOPE/ CHURCH COLLECTION** - goes towards maintaining our parish - € 580  
**1ST COLLECTION / COMMON FUND** - pays salaries of Priests of Diocese - € 607  
**2ND COLLECTION / ACCORD** - goes towards diocesan administration - € 395

*Many thanks for your continued support.*

**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: Acts 10: 25-26**  
**Psalm: 97**  
**Second Reading: 1 John 4:7-10**  
**Gospel: John 15: 9-17**

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the Star of the Sea Church, Brittas Bay.  
 Tuesday mornings from 9.00am until 10.00am.



*The Rosary continues every Friday morning in St Mary's Church Barndarrig at 10am. Everybody is very welcome to join us for some beautiful time out while sharing the Rosary with one another.*

*Popes intention for April ~ For the role of women*

*We pray that the dignity and immense value of women be recognized in every culture, and for the end of discrimination that they experience in different parts of the world.*



**Wicklow/Ashford Bethany Bereavement Support Group**

The death of a loved one is very devastating. Most of us are not prepared for the long journey of grief. At first we don't really believe it. Often by the time the reality hits us our friends and relatives think that we are or should be okay and they go back to their busy lives.

The Bethany Bereavement Support Group is a voluntary parish based ministry which aims to help the bereaved and grieving. Although grieving is a natural process which can be helped by the sympathy and understanding of friends there are times when one needs support to work through it in a positive way. Feelings need to be expressed rather than repressed. It helps the healing process to talk with a trained listener and confront the very strong feelings associated with grief.

Wicklow/Ashford Bethany Bereavement Support Group meet on the last Tuesday of the month in the De La Salle Centre at 8pm and if you are struggling with your grief and think you might like to talk with a trained listener, you are very welcome to attend this meeting. More information from 087 946 8971

This group is also looking for people to join the group as listeners - full training will be given and more information from the above number.

**PARISH OFFICE** ~ The contact number is 61699.

The Parish Office is located in the De La Salle Pastoral Centre and is open Monday through to Friday from 10am till 12.30 pm for all general parish enquiries, to book masses, to arrange baptisms / weddings bookings, enquiries, to drop in envelopes, buy mass cards etc. We would be very happy to help you - in person or on the phone.

**PARISH CONTACTS**

Fr Aquinas Duffy : 0404 67196  
 Fr Gerard Deegan : 0404 67133  
 Parish Office: 0404 61699  
[parishofficewicklow@gmail.com](mailto:parishofficewicklow@gmail.com)

Office opening times  
**Monday - Friday:**  
**10am - 12.30pm**  
**For all enquires and bookings**

**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