

PARISH NEWSLETTER

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time -Year B

Wicklow & Rathnew

RCN 20016166

3rd November 2024



Gospel Reflections What is Religious? Donal Neary SJ

We often ask people what is most important to them in life. Various words come to mind - family, faith, love, and peace of mind, money or others. Jesus is asked something like this in the conversation of today's gospel. His most important word is love – anything in the religious tradition of the time is secondary to love of God and love of the neighbour.

In August 2012 a survey indicated that the Irish are among the least religious people of Europe. This came out of a sample of 1,000 people and indicates something to do with religious understanding and practice. Maybe though we could challenge that we are most religious, not necessarily when we are in church or praying, but also when we are at our most loving and caring, or concerned for justice.

True religion is that, and is especially true when it cares for the needy. Jesus' heart went out mostly to people like that in his own time, especially any group who were outcast like people suffering from leprosy.

This can be the same today. He is the one on the side of the needy, and most on our side when we are most needy. This is the meaning and the reason for the Christian community – to be bearers of love in our world. We are all being called to share our treasures, values, environments and even new discoveries like vaccines with those who need them as much or even more than we do.

So maybe in Ireland we are much more religious than the survey shows! When we love, in the smallest and biggest ways, among the family, neighbourhood and wider world, then we are religious in the name of Jesus.

*Recall moments when you thought you were most 'religious' and soon after were internally critical of other's efforts.
Lord, may I find your love in everything I encounter this week.*



Sincere sympathies to the family of

*Philomena Kavanagh (née Kinsella),
St. Patrick's Road*

Mass Intention List

This Weekend ~ 2nd & 3rd November 2024

- 6.00pm** Marion & John Roche, Olive O'Reilly, Suzanne Copeland, Ena Byrne, Mary Fitzgerald (A), Maggie Dunne (A), her husband Pat and their daughters Mary Dunne, Helen Merrigan & Veronica Kelly, C.C. Thomas, P.J. & Mable Augustine, K.T. Joseph
- 9.00am** *Johnny McDonald, May McDonald*
- 10.30am** Charlie & Maura Byrne (A), Anne Breen
- 12.00pm** Tim O'Sullivan (1st A.), David Travers (MM)

4th ~ 8th November 2024

- Monday** Seamus O'Boyle (RD)
- 7.00pm** *Peg O'Flaherty (RD)*
- Tuesday** Tom Redmond (RD)
- 7.00pm** *Emma Kate Reilly (RD)*
- Wednesday** Walter Pallas (RD)
- Thursday** John O'Brien (RD)
- Friday** Bridget Redmond (A) & deceased members of the Redmond Family, Tom Synnott (A) & daughter Ann

Next Weekend ~ 9th & 10th November 2024

- 6.00pm** Victoria Leonard (née Egan) (MM), Sarah Magee, Nora Fitzpatrick & Kathleen Marah. Dorothy Dickenson (A), Tony O'Brien (A), Sam & Emily Doyle & their children Nicholas, Serena, Paul, James & John also Angela Doyle & John Gannon, George & Kieran Nichols
- 9.00am** *Kathleen Caffrey (A), her father & mother, William & Ann Ronan & her sister Peggy Ronan*
- 10.30am** Josephine McGinn
- 12.00pm** Mike & Beth Malone

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS FOR WICKLOW & RATHNEW:

27th October 2024

ENVELOPE/CHURCH COLLECTION - goes towards maintaining our parish **€2500**
1ST COLLECTION /COMMON FUND - pays salaries of Priests of Diocese **€1255**
2ND COLLECTION / SHARE FUND - goes towards Diocesan Administration **€1075**

Many thanks for your continued support.

NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS

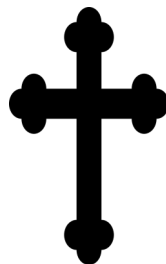
To reflect on the readings please check
catholicireland.net / sacredspace.ie / universalis.com

FIRST READING: 1 Kings 17: 10-16

PSALM: 145: 7-10

SECOND READING: Hebrews 9:24-28

GOSPEL: Mark 12: 41-44



The Annual Masses for Deceased in Wicklow will take place this year in:

St. Patrick's, Wicklow on Friday, 22nd November 2024 at 7:30PM

All families, who have lost a loved one in the last year, will receive a letter. If anyone would like to attend to remember 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 as soon as possible.

All are welcome to attend.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament



will now take place on
Mondays and Fridays
directly after Mass.



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Closed for lunch 1-2p.m.



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

*Please note : The next meeting will be on
Thursday, 14th November,
At 8pm in the de la Salle Pastoral Centre*



PARISH CONTACTS

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

LECTIO DIVINO

Learning to Live & Love the Sunday Gospels

When? Wednesdays starting 11th September

Where? An Tairseach Ecology Centre

Time? 10:45am-12 noon

Tea & Coffee Served



Confirmation Commitment Mass

Wicklow: Saturday 2nd November 6pm

(for children from St. Patrick's NS, Holy Rosary NS, Gaelscoil, de la Salle Group)

Rathnew: Sunday 3rd November 9am (St. Coen's)

Communion Enrolment Mass

Wicklow: Sunday 3rd November 10:30am

(for children from St. Patrick's NS, Holy Rosary NS, Gaelscoil, De la Salle Group)

Senior Citizens Christmas Party Rathnew

**Saturday 7th December
3-6pm**

St Brigid's Hall

**Join us for catch up, food, dance,
raffles, singing
ALL FREE**

BOOKING IS ESSENTIAL

To book, ring:

Doreen - 0877814472

Elaine - 0860783024

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The Parting Glass/ Nessun Dorma

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Wicklow
Lions

QUIZ

NIGHT

Thurs 7th in
Ernie's Bar
supporting

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WICKLOW & RATHNEW
BINGOS CONTINUE



**ON MONDAYS in the
DE LA SALLE CENTRE &
WEDNESDAY EVENINGS in
ST BRIDGETS HALL -**

Unwanted Gift Sale

in aid of
St. Patrick's Church, Wicklow
and
Wicklow Cancer Support



Date: 17th November, 2024
Time: 10am to 3pm
Place: De la Salle Pastoral Centre
Wicklow Town



Special Room

Full of Bags,
Purses, Hats, Scarfs



Pick up a Great Christmas Present and support
Wicklow Parish Church and Wicklow Cancer Support Services

St. Patrick's
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APPLICATIONS

2025 - 2026

**OPENS 9TH
OF OCTOBER**

Applications Close at 12pm
on 6th November 2024

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Parish Lotto Results for 31 / 10 / 2024

NO JACKPOT WINNER THIS WEEK

16

19

28

29

The winner of the €50 weekly raffle prize is:

Una McGrath

Next Week's Jackpot will be: € 1,575

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 Parish Office or Sacristy

Name.....

Contact Number.....

Address.....

"For God gave us a spirit not of fear but of power and love and self-control."

2 TIMOTHY 1:7

woman's day