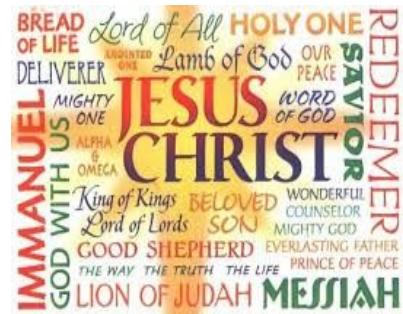


PARISH NEWSLETTER

11th February 2024

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time-Year B
Wicklow & Rathnew
RCN 20016166



Fr Donal Neary, S.J ~Gospel Reflections for the Year B.

People make a Difference

Any story involving leprosy is a story of inclusiveness with Jesus. The people whom nobody wanted were deep in his heart. Jesus wanted to make his life better and in this case, the man was cured. The news spread of this new religious man, a prophet maybe, but one who went where nobody else would go.

Jesus sees into the heart and there he finds a home, because God his Father lives in each of us. His motivation is his deep relationship with all of us. He will cleanse any of the unacceptable sides of ourselves so that we see ourselves as image of God, forgiven and clean. Can we see others like that?

Who would be those he would reach today like this? Maybe the people who want to change their lives from condemnation by self and others. We can name them often, and our society can be cruel on prisoners and their families, abusers of any sort, prostitutes, victims of AIDS and many others. He offers a way out of condemnation and that is often through the goodness and care of another. When we come to him, we meet his followers, and that also can make a difference.

Recall someone who made a difference in your life at a bad time.

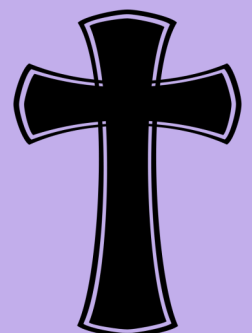
Give thanks for it

Jesus, healer of souls, heal what keeps me from loving like you.



Sincere sympathies to the families of

Frances Hennigan late of Dunbur Rd



Mass Intention List



This Weekend ~ 10th & 11th February

6.00pm Harry & Philomena Leonard, Michael Murphy, May Flanagan, Joe Crossan, Albert, Elizabeth, Peter (Barney), Patrick Rita & Noel White, deceased members of the White & O'Brien families.

9.00am Anne Ronan - 1st Anniversary,
Anne McDonald, Mick Snell, Jim Collard

10.30am Thomas & Agnes Grant

12noon Louis & Mary Carroll, John & Mary Dunne

Please note that the Masses in green type are in St Joseph's Rathnew

12th February - 16th February

Monday Leo Byrne In Remembrance

7.00pm Enda Lynch In Remembrance

Tuesday Patrick Cullen

7.00pm Seamus Troy In Remembrance

Wednesday Joan O'Reilly In Remembrance

Thursday Joe Vickers In Remembrance

Friday Colin, Val & Paddy Quinn, Peter & Annie Vickers

Next Weekend ~ 17th & 18th February

6.00pm John Gannon, Maura Kelly, Mable Agustine, Patricia & Shinoj - wedding anniversary

9.00am

10.30am

12noon Eddie Hanlon, Kay Mularkey,
Kathleen & Jim Conway

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS FOR WICKLOW & RATHNEW:

4th February 2024

ENVELOPE/CHURCH COLLECTION - goes towards maintaining our parish €2190
1ST COLLECTION /COMMON FUND - pays salaries of Priests of Diocese €1165
2ND COLLECTION / SHARE FUND - goes towards Diocesan Administration €1055

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 : Genesis 9: 8-15

Psalm : Ps 24

Second Reading: 1 Peter 3:18-22

Gospel: Mark 1:12-15

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 – 14TH MARCH
AT 8PM IN THE DE LA PARISH CENTRE

PARISH CONTACTS

Fr Aquinas Duffy PP : 0404 67196

Fr Gerard Deegan CC: 0404 67133

Parish Office: 0404 61699

parishofficewicklow@gmail.com

Office opening times

**Monday - Friday:
10am – 12.30pm**

For all enquires and bookings

The Pope's Intention for February

For the terminally ill.

We pray that those with a terminal illness, and their families, receive the necessary physical and spiritual care and accompaniment.



PLEASE

**MAKE SURE YOUR MOBILE PHONE
IS SWITCHED OFF WHILE IN THE
CHURCH.**

PARISH SHOP

The Parish shop is situated in the lobby of the parish office. It has been restocked with new candles, cards and some new general stock.

Drop in and have a browse, baptism candles small baby gifts, angel gifts, rosary beads, car medals, visor medals, cards and much more.

There is also have a wide selection of Mass Cards and ordinary cards available.

We have also got a beautiful new range of First Holy Communion & Confirmation gifts & cards available now.

Shop open same time as office from 10am till 12.30pm.

10.30AM

WEEKLY FAMILY MASS

Family Mass has resumed at 10.30am on the weekends. We are really hoping that families will volunteer & participate in this Mass. We are looking for families to read, bring up the gifts and of course, to join in the singing and maybe even join the choir. You would be most welcome.

Anyone who is interested, please come along to the practices at 9.45am on the Sunday mornings. Contact Katie on 086 409 4013 for more information.



EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

It is proposed to have Eucharistic Adoration on Mondays as well as Thursdays. Both 10.30am to 11.30am. Therefore we intend to reorganise the Adoration Team.

Depending on member's availability, members are asked /rostered to be there about once every month on six weeks.

We consider it an honour to guard the Lord in His Eucharistic presence. Indeed, many prayers have been answered, many blessings bestowed and confirmed, through and because of this form of prayer.



If you would like to join the team please tick your choice of day.

MONDAY () THURSDAY () OR BOTH DAYS ()

NAME _____ PHONE _____

Please return the form to the Parish Office - 61699 or Sacristy 69031

For those already on the team, please inform Joan McCann of your choice of day

Ministers of the Word for 10am weekday Masses



We would like to invite more people to join this ministry. If you think that you might be interested, speak to any of the regular readers, to Fr. Aquinas or Fr. Gerard or the Parish Office.

Training will be provided and an opportunity given to practice until you feel comfortable with reading on the altar. If you have ever thought about getting involved in this Ministry - now is your chance and you would be very welcome!

Scripture Reflection

Making time to pause & reflect with others on the Sunday Gospels, on Wednesday mornings from 10.45am till 12noon in the Dominican Ecology Centre.

Tea & coffee is provided and everyone is very welcome



The annual collection for ACCORD Dublin, the Diocesan Agency for Marriage and the Family, will be made at all Masses this weekend of 17th & 18th February 2024.

ACCORD Dublin throughout the Diocese offers:
Marriage Preparation courses - online, small groups.

Counselling for couples and individuals experiencing difficulties in their relationships, currently online or by phone.

A Relationship and Sexuality Programme for schools.

ACCORD Dublin needs your support this year more

Caife agus Comhrá sa Leabharlann

Coffee and Chat as Gaeilge in the library



Feabhra/February 17
Márta/March 23

Aibreán/April 27
3-4pm

Cainteoirí Chill Mhantáin

ASH WEDNESDAY 2024 - MASS TIMES

in St Patrick's Wicklow - 8am, 10am & 7pm
St Mary's Barndarrig at 10am/St Joseph's Glenealy at 8pm
Mass times will be as normal for Lent



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Rear of Boots Pharmacy,
Abbey Street,
Wicklow

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086 821 6694

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WICKLOW & RATHNEW BINGOS



**ON MONDAYS in the
DE LA SALLE CENTRE &
WEDNESDAY EVENINGS in
ST BRIDGETS HALL - BOTH AT
8PM. STRICTLY OVER 18s.**

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

Active Retirement Activities & Trips

Now with 105 members, we are one of the largest Groups in Ireland

Tuesday morning meetings 10.45am.

Conversational Irish Tuesdays at 10.00 am

Line Dancing Tuesdays 12.00 to 1.00pm

Walking on the Murrough Wednesdays at 11.00 am

Choir Fridays 3.00pm—4.00pm

Trip to Sive at the Gaiety Theatre on Wednesday 28th February.

Spring holiday to Killarney from the 14th April to 18th April.

Follow us on our facebook page: **Wicklow Active Retirement**

**If you would like to join active retirement or find out more, please do feel free to
ring Pauline on 087 227 6760**

You will be sure of a Céad Míle Fáilte



WICKLOW & DISTRICT LIONS CLUB

QUIZ NIGHTS 2024

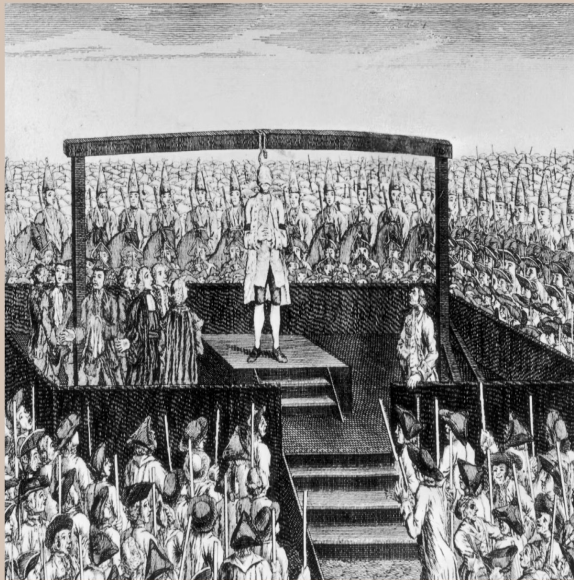
DATES * VENUES * CHARITIES

FEB 15 BRIDGE TAVERN WICKLOW
FEB 22 CHESTERS ASHFORD
FEB 29 O'SHEA'S LOUNGE WICKLOW

*PARKINSONS and WICKLOW TOWN TEAM
ASHFORD NS and WICKLOW ICA
WICKLOW CANCER SUPPORT,
LEINSTER FLEADH and
HOLY ROSARY SCHOOL*

MARCH 7 WICKLOW GOLF CLUB

GRAND FINAL



ROUGH JUSTICE: CRIME AND PUNISHMENT IN 19TH CENTURY WICKLOW WITH JAMES SCANNELL

JAMES SCANNELL EXAMINES POLICE INTELLIGENCE REPORTS FROM LOCAL NEWSPAPERS FROM THE 1860S TO HIGHLIGHT HOW WICKLOW OFFENDERS WERE TREATED AT THIS TIME. THE TALK WILL DEMONSTRATE HOW SENTENCES FOR EVEN MINOR OFFENCES WERE OFTEN OUT OF PROPORTION TO THE NATURE OF THE OFFENCE

WICKLOW TOWN LIBRARY

**THURSDAY,
FEBRUARY 15TH
@ 7PM**

TO BOOK CALL 040467025 OR EMAIL
WICKLOWLOCALSTUDIES@WICKLOWCOCO.IE



‘Rough Justice: crime and punishment in 19th century Wicklow’ with historian James Scannell

From latter half of the eighteenth century until the passage of the Act of Union in 1800, over 220 crimes were punishable by death as the Irish Parliament in Dublin enacted increasing draconian legislation in a bid to deter criminal activities. While this was reduced to ten by 1820, sentencing remained severe. Convicted persons who received a sentence of more than two years were generally sentenced to transportation overseas to the Caribbean islands or Australia.

Following from his successful ‘Rough Justice’ talks in Dublin last year, historian James Scannell will be using local case studies dating from the 1860s to demonstrate that, while rehabilitation of offenders evolved during the 1840s, this was very limited in its application. His talk will show that sentencing of Wicklow offenders for minor offences remained, in many cases, out of proportion to the nature of the offence.

The talk will take place in Wicklow Town library on Thursday 15th February @ 7pm. Attendance is free but booking is required as the venue has a limited capacity. Book by e-mail to Wicklowlocalstudies@wicklowcoco.ie or call Wicklow Library 0404 67025.

Many thanks to the sponsor of our newsletter
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Phone 0404 69000, 24 hours
www.mccrea.ie - info@niallmccrea.com

WEEKLY PARISH LOTTO RESULTS

Congratulations

SUSAN HILL

8th February, 2024: €50 raffle winner
Weekly winning numbers: 15, 20, 21, 23

Please call into the office to collect your prize.

Next weeks JACKPOT is €3,625

Remember...if you aren't in you can't win!

Join by texting the word WICKLOW to 51444

or go to the website : www.ourparishfundraiser.ie/parish/wicklow

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

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“For one to have complete satisfaction from flowers, you must have time to spend with them.”

GRACE KELLY