

PARISH NEWSLETTER

Wicklow & Rathnew

RCN 20016166

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

12th July 2026



Donal Neary SJ Gospel Reflections for Year A: Matthew

The Sower and the Seed: God's word is abundant and freely given, scattered like seed everywhere. The focus is on the soil of our lives. We are called to be "rich soil" by taking time to understand, nurture, and live out God's word in our daily actions.

The Four Soils: Fr. Neary invites personal prayer on which "soil" we are: the hardened path, the shallow rocky ground, the choked thorny path of daily anxieties, or the open and receptive rich soil.

Everyday Fruitfulness: Listening to the Gospel should yield results in our lives. He encourages looking for practical ways to show love, patience, and kindness, allowing that divine word to bear fruit in small, everyday miracles.



Sincere sympathies to the families of



*Gretta (Margaret) Kavanagh (née Martin) Wicklow Town, Wicklow / Enniscorthy, Wexford
Elizabeth Margaret Davidson Wicklow Town, Wicklow / Ashford, Wicklow*

Mass Intention List

This Weekend ~ 11th & 12th July

6.00pm Betty & Neddy Fox (A), Denis Whelan (A)
Mick & Maura Finlay
Donal Kinney (A), Sarah Kitson (A)
Frank & Mary Newsome (A) Pray for Deceased
members of the Newsome & Marah family,
Deceased members of the Colgan Family

9.00am

10.30am Ann Coffey (A) also her husband Shay
Maureen O'Sullivan (A), Jimmy Jordan (A) Ann Earls

12.00pm Mary Birkbeck M.M
Joan Curley M.M
Kay O'Flaherty M.M
Ann Earls, William (Willie) Murphy (A),
Ann & Jim O'Neill (A) Chrissie Merrigan (A),
Aurelia Lupe Juarez Alvarez, Mary McCarthy (A)

13th July ~ 17th July

Monday Prayer Service- No mass

7.00pm Bridie Jameson, Dorcas Doyle (Deceased but would be
her celebrating 100th Birthday)

Tuesday John O'Rourke (A)

7.00pm No Tuesday mass in Rathnew for July

Wednesday Special Intention

Thursday Frank & Mary Conway (A), Paul Doyle, Michael,
Esther & Kate Doyle

Friday Special Intention

Next Weekend ~ 18th & 19th July

6.00pm

9.00am Dorcas Doyle (Deceased but would be her celebrating
100th Birthday), Anthony Tony Flaherty (A)

10.30am Iris, Bill & Alice Stephens, Michael & Anne Hanson
Paul Doyle, Pat & Gráinne Bolger B.R

12.00pm Moya Boyce M.M
Pat Madden (A)

If you would like to reflect on next Sundays Readings,
please check...

FIRST READING: Wisdom 12: 13, 16 - 19

PSALM: Ps. 85

SECOND READING: Romans 8: 26-27

GOSPEL: Matthew 13:24 - 43 (shorter form* 13: 24-30)

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



Congratulations to all couples planning their marriage.

Don't forget to give 3 months notice to the parish where you live.

Your local parish is responsible for organising the paperwork necessary for the Sacrament of Marriage irrespective of where the wedding will take place.

Be sure to get in touch with the Parish Office to make arrangements to complete wedding papers at least 4 months before the date of the proposed wedding.

BAPTISM

St. Mantan Pastoral Area Baptism Details

Wicklow	First Saturday	2.00pm
	Third Sunday	1.00pm
Rathnew	Fourth Saturday	2.00pm
Ashford	First Sunday	12 noon
	Third Saturday	12 noon
Glenealy		
KBB	Second Saturday	2.00pm

*Please note : **No Wicklow Baptism Meeting in July and No meeting in Ashford in July.***

*Next BBK meeting
Wednesday 5th August at 7:30pm
In Barndarrig Church*

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS FOR WICKLOW & RATHNEW

5th July 2026

Here is where your donations go to.

Many thanks for your continued support.

PARISH ENVELOPE & STANDING ORDER / DONATIONS	1ST COLLECTION COMMON FUND & DUES ENVELOPES	2ND COLLECTION SHARE
The Envelope/Standing Orders are what funds the Parish. This money stays locally and is vital to sustain our Parish. The money from these envelopes and Standing Orders maintain the Churches, Parish Centre, Houses, general maintenance and administration expenses. The money received in these envelopes is lodged directly to the Wicklow Parish account	The Common Fund account is funded by all the loose notes & coins in the First Collection It is used to provide suitable and equitable remuneration and support for all priests serving in the diocese, including active, sick, and retired clergy. This loose money is lodged directly to the Dublin Diocesan Common Fund Account	The Share account is funded by all loose notes & coins in the Second collection. It is primarily used to finance central support services for all parishes, and to provide financial assistance to low-income parishes. This loose money is lodged directly to the Dublin Diocesan Share Account
€3150 (119 envelopes received)	€2020	€1135

COMMUNICATON TEAM

Would you be interested in joining our Communications team? Do you like Social Media? Would you like to help promote our Parish through Social Media? Are you good at design? Have you a spare hour a week? If so please leave your details with the Parish Office.

Parish envelopes

If anyone is missing a box of envelopes, please notify the parish office on 0404 61699 or email us on parishofficewicklow@gmail.com. We will be happy to sort out the issue immediately

Mass Schedule B and C.

Special schedule operates on the dates listed below

Schedule B: 27/28th June 2026, 11/12 July, 25/26 July

Ashford Vigil Mass	6.00pm	(Saturday)
Wicklow Vigil Mass	6.00pm	(Saturday)
Kilbride	9.00am	(Sunday)
Wicklow	10.30am	(Sunday)
Wicklow	12.00pm	(Sunday)
Brittas Bay	12.00pm	(Sunday)

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Special schedule operates on the dates listed below

Schedule C: 4/5 July, 18/19 July, 1/2 August

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| Wicklow Vigil Mass    | 6.00pm  | (Saturday) |
| Barndarrig Vigil Mass | 7.30pm  | (Saturday) |
| Rathnew               | 9.00am  | (Sunday)   |
| Wicklow               | 10.30am | (Sunday)   |
| Glenealy              | 10.30am | (Sunday)   |
| Wicklow               | 12.00pm | (Sunday)   |

## **PARISH CONTACTS**

**Fr Gerard Deegan : 0404 67133**

**Parish Office: 0404 61699**

**Email: [parishofficewicklow@gmail.com](mailto:parishofficewicklow@gmail.com), Website: [www.stmantan.ie](http://www.stmantan.ie)**

**Office opening times**

**Monday - Friday: 10am – 12.30pm**

**For all enquires and bookings**

## **PARISH NEWSLETTER**

**We would love to hear what is happening in the parish so that we can include it in the parish newsletter.**

**If you are organising any event or activity—non-profit—please email us with the details at [parishofficewicklow@gmail.com](mailto:parishofficewicklow@gmail.com).**

# **Blessings of Graves**

## **15th July at 7:30pm in Rathnew**

*To Ensure that all the graves are blessed there will be holy water bottles available at the cemetery gates for a small voluntary donation. We will have some Ministers available to bless graves however in the case of them not getting to your loved ones grave - a family member may bless their Loved ones graves.*

**Junior Knitting-Aged 9-12 Starting Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> July 1:45-2:45 pm and running for another 5 weeks Tuesdays 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup> July and 4<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> August.**

**Also, join the library for an epic adventure with our Mythology Camp Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup>, Thursday 16<sup>th</sup>, Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> of July 2:30 - 4:00 pm.**

**Registration is required however children are not required to attend all sessions if they're unable.**

**Drop into the library, call 0404-67025 or email:**

**[wicklib@wicklowcoco.ie](mailto:wicklib@wicklowcoco.ie)**

**Don't forget our Summer Stars reading programme where we give away 4 vouchers every week for the next 8 weeks. For example, this week we gave away a 20 Euro voucher to Apache Pizza, a 20 Euro voucher to Bridge Street Books, 15 Euro to Hopkins, and 10 Euro to Diamond Bowl.**

**Ya gotta be in it to win it!**



**Bethany**  
Bereavement Support

**Wicklow Group**

Bethany Bereavement Support provides a confidential listening service for adults who are grieving.

It offers a quiet and supportive space where people can speak about their loss and be listened to with understanding and compassion by trained volunteers.

Meetings are held in the De La Salle Centre, Wicklow A67 FX65.

### Upcoming meetings:



**Tuesday 7th July at 10:45 am**



**Tuesday 28 July at 8:00 pm**

You are welcome to attend,  
or to make contact for a chat.



**Tel: 086 835 9148**

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# SUMMER FESTIVAL

NEWBRIDGE COLLEGE, KILDARE  
13TH - 16TH AUGUST 2026  
AGES 16-35  
DONATION ONLY  
FREE BUSES  
REGISTER NOW

"I WILL TRUST AND WILL NOT BE AFRAID, FOR THE LORD GOD IS MY STRENGTH AND MY SONG" - ISAIAH 12:2  
**COME AND SEE!**

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Many thanks to the sponsor of our newsletter  
**McCrea's Funeral Home, Dublin Road,**  
Phone 0404 69000, 24 hours  
www.mccrea.ie - info@niallmccrea.com

**Parish Lotto Results for 02/07/2026**

**No jackpot won this week**



**The winner of the €50 weekly raffle prize is:**

**Justin Doran**

- **Next Week's Jackpot will be:**  
**€2,775**
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**Please encourage friends and family to support this Parish Fundraiser from as little as €2 per line or €5 for three lines. (The price of a coffee) Its quick and easy to sign up.**

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.....

Don't lose faith,  
your storm won't  
last forever. God  
will help you  
overcome every  
hardship.

*Amen*

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