

# PARISH NEWSLETTER

## Wicklow & Rathnew

RCN 20016166

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C

13th July 2025

### Donal Neary S.J. Gospel Reflection ~ The teller of the story

Is this the best story ever written! Because we know it so well, we may gloss over it. It challenges us on many levels - the inclusiveness of everyone as our neighbour, the way we can pass by human needs, and how the most rejected people can respond positively. It is a story of how many of us miss tragedy under our noses, and how many suffer because of the cruelty of others. It's mainly a story to ask us to respond as positively as we can to all human need.

It also points to the person who told the story. Jesus could tell this story because he was the good Samaritan himself. His heart went out to those who were suffering most at the hands of others. He could tell it also because he knew what it was like to be an outcast - rejected by his own people, and in danger all the time of being victimised even to death like the man at the side of the road.

He brings it farther also - saying that the commandment of God is seen in the way the Good Samaritan responded. The second great commandment is to love the neighbour, and the neighbour is the one of any colour, nationality, age or family who may be in need.

We can ask who are the ones thrown to the side of the road today?

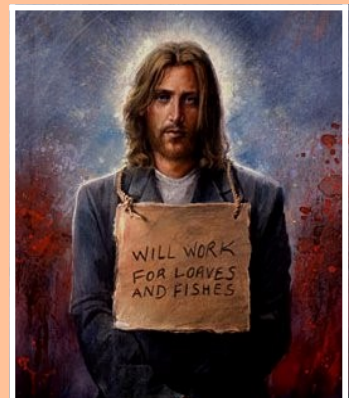
- The former prisoner,
- The asylum seeker and refugee,
- The forgotten young person, the addict, among others.

All can be helped to their feet and to carry on in life through the help and care of another.

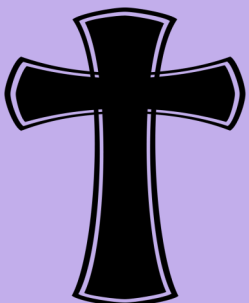
The final words to take from the gospel today are simple yet difficult

-**'Go and do the same yourself.'**

*Lord, help me to go and do the same myself.*



*A voiceless, homeless, Jesus*



*Sincere sympathies to the families of*

*Moses (Mosey) Kelly late of Glenview Road*

# *Mass Intention List*

## *This Weekend ~ 12th & 13th July 2025*

<i>6.00pm</i>	<i>Donal Kinney (A) Joan Collins (A)</i>
<i>9.00am</i>	<i>Bill Byrne (A)</i>
<i>10.30am</i>	<i>Agnes Malone - Birthday Remembrance Jimmy Jordan (A)</i>
<i>12.00pm</i>	<i>Maureen O'Sullivan (A), Mary McCarthy, (A) Ann &amp; Jim O'Neill &amp; Chrissie Merrigan (A), Iris, Bill &amp; Alice Stevens (A)</i>

## *14th July ~ 18th July 2025*

<i>Monday</i>	<i>John O'Rourke (A)</i>
<i>7.00pm</i>	<i>Special Intention</i>
<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Kathleen Flynn RD</i>
<i>7.00pm</i>	<i>Bridie Jameson (A)</i>
<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>John Goodman RD</i>
<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Special Intention</i>
<i>Friday</i>	<i>Joseph &amp; Stella Carolan (A)</i>

## *Next Weekend ~ 19th & 20th July 2025*

<i>6.00pm</i>	<i>Patrick (Pat) Fortune - 1st Anniversary Betty &amp; Paddy Ryan (A)</i>
<i>9.00am</i>	
<i>10.30am</i>	<i>Willie Murphy (A), Patrick &amp; Kathleen Cannon (A) John Rose &amp; Matthew Ryan &amp; Sr Mary Dominic (A) Michael &amp; Esther Doyle &amp; their son Robert</i>
<i>12.00pm</i>	<i>Damien Coakley - Months Mind</i>

## **WEEKLY COLLECTIONS FOR WICKLOW & RATHNEW: 6th July 2025**

**ENVELOPE/CHURCH COLLECTION** - goes towards maintaining our parish **€2055**  
**1ST COLLECTION /COMMON FUND** - pays salaries of Priests of Diocese **€1060**  
**2ND COLLECTION/SHARE** - goes towards Diocesan Administration **€1335**

*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: Genesis 18: 1-10**

**PSALM: 14: 2-5**

**SECOND READING: Colossians 1:24-28**

**GOSPEL: Luke 10:38-42**

### **PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING CHANGES TO MASS SCHEDULE 19th & 20th JULY 2025**

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)

Archdiocese of Dublin

### **Summer Dues**

Thank you for  
supporting your priests

**SUMMER  
DUES  
APPEAL  
2025**



### **PLEASE .....**

Do not park in the 'Disabled Parking Bays' unless you have a badge permitting this.

We do have Parishioners who need these spaces and unfortunately it makes it difficult for them to attend the Mass/Service when these spaces are not available.

Unfortunately, these parking spaces are regularly used by inconsiderate people with no badges, which is very unfair to those who genuinely need them.



# Mass & Blessings of the Graves - 2025

Barndarrig Cemetery: Tuesday, 1st July @ 7.30pm

Three Mile Water Cemetery: Monday, July 7th at 7.30pm

Castletimon Cemetery: Monday, July 14th at 7.30pm

Rathnew Cemetery: Wednesday 16th July at 7.30pm

Glenealy Cemetery: Saturday 19th July at 3.00pm

Killoughter Cemetery: Tuesday 22nd July at 7.30pm

## 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: Tuesdays at 9am



## Mass Schedule B and C.

Mass Schedule B in the event of one priest not being available.

Weekend 5/6 July // Weekend 26/27 July // Weekend 30/31 August 2025

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)

Mass Schedule C in the event of one priest not being available

Weekend 19/20 July // Weekend 16/17 August 2025

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)

# WHAT ARE THE MASS COLLECTIONS FOR?

## **THE FIRST COLLECTION/COMMUN FUND**

The First Collection is also known as the Common Fund. This was set up years ago in order that all priests got a fair share of the collection regardless of the size or wealth of the parish that they are working in. It also supports the priests of the Diocese, who are sick and retired. Christmas/ Easter & Summer Dues are lodged directly into this fund. This fund has been declining over the past few years which means that priests incomes have also been declining.

## **THE SECOND COLLECTION/ SHARE**

The Share Collection is for the Diocesan building fund which helps to subsidise projects in some very poor parishes. It gives financial assistance to parishes who wouldn't have the necessary income to maintain their buildings. It also funds the central services of the diocese which looks after 199 parishes. The money for this collection is also lodged directly to the Diocese.

## **THE WEEKLY ENVELOPES & STANDING ORDER / PLANNED GIVING COLLECTION**

This collection funds the parish. It pays for the day to day expenses of running the Parish as well as maintaining the Churches, our Parish Centre and the Priests houses. You may contribute to the Parish by weekly envelope, Direct Debit/Standing order or annual donation. If you have thought about contributing to the Parish regularly - please arrange for a box of envelopes or a Direct Debit form to be sent to you by ringing the parish office on 61699.

## **TAX RELIEF SCHEME**

The Tax Relief Scheme for donations to Eligible Charities is of immense benefit to the Parish. It is a very simple but effective way of increasing revenue, whereby the parish can claim back the tax paid on any recorded contributions of €250 or more per annum. Many people have already signed up for this and it has made a big difference to parish income. If you have not already done so, perhaps you would consider signing up for it now. Full details are available on the parish website or from the office.

As the church is registered as a charity, any contribution of €250 or more (which is €5 a week), allows the parish to claim back up to 40% of that, which is approx. €100, where applicable. However, we do have to be able to link the donations to a donor which is where the envelopes/ Direct Debit/Standing Orders becomes important. The only information that is required from the contributor is - name, address, PPS number and a signature. Please be assured that any information received will be treated with the of confidence and that there is NO involvement at all from any tax officials. If you pay income tax and if you have contributed €250 or more to the Dues and Family Offering, the Parish can claim back the tax on your donation at no cost whatsoever to the contributor. Please be assured that the parish staff do not have any access to any personal details of any parishioner signing up to this scheme. It is totally confidential.

**Please note that cash placed in the collection baskets does not qualify for  
Tax Relief as it cannot be traced back to a donor and is therefore  
added to the Diocesan 1st & 2nd collections.**

*A sincere and genuine thanks to all parishioners who continuously support the parish through their contributions and to those who have signed up to the CHY3 scheme and we look forward to your continued support in the future.*



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 -  
All our services are free of charge*

**0404 32696 or 086 821 6694**

Email [info@wicklowcancersupport.ie](mailto:info@wicklowcancersupport.ie)

Open: Mon-Fri: 10.00-5.00.

Closed for lunch 1-2p.m.

## **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**

**GROW** run peer support groups in  
Wicklow on a Wednesday afternoon at 2.30  
to 4.30 in De La Salle Parish Centre.

They are self referral and no charge for  
anyone struggling with depression, anxiety,  
low mood or just the stresses of life. They  
offer a tried and tested method of self help  
and personal growth. Experience new hope  
and meaning through working on issues  
together in a peer support setting

**MEETINGS ARE CONFIDENTIAL.**  
Ring Trish for further info on 086 0129 082  
And see Grow.ie to listen to stories of Hope  
and Recovery.

**Please note that there will not be  
a mass in St Patrick's on Monday  
morning 21st July.**

**Hopefully, there will be a Prayer  
Service instead on that day.**

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

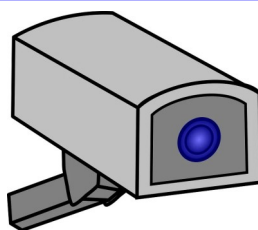
## **St. Mantan Pastoral Area**

### **Baptism Details**

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 12th August, 2025,  
at 8pm in the  
De La Salle Pastoral Centre*



**Don't forget that  
Masses in  
Wicklow can be  
viewed live on the  
pastoral area website, during  
the weekdays and weekends.**

**[www.stmantan.ie](http://www.stmantan.ie)**

**Mass leaflets are available in all  
the churches even if there is no  
Mass in a church on a  
particular weekend.**



 **Wicklow & District Club** 

# ANNUAL GOLF CLASSIC

*a great day for charity not to be missed!*

BOOK TEAMS EARLY

*support*  
**Local Charities**

**JULY 24th**  
**BLAINROE**  
Golf Club

**MONSTER RAFFLE Prizes**

*contact ethna*  
086-0603612  
*gardenofireland@gmail.com or wicklowlions*




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

## You're not alone

*Drink problem? We get it...*




**AA Open Meeting**  
Last Friday of Every Month  
20:30-21:30  
Kilcoole Community Centre  
A63 X862  
All Welcome!  
[www.alcoholicsanonymous.ie](http://www.alcoholicsanonymous.ie)  
01 842 0700

**Alcoholics Anonymous**

- > [www.alcoholicsanonymous.ie](http://www.alcoholicsanonymous.ie)
- > 01 842 0700 (ROI) / 028 90 351 222 (NI)
- > [gso@alcoholicsanonymous.ie](mailto:gso@alcoholicsanonymous.ie)



Scan for more information

*All enquiries are treated in the strictest confidence*

## 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, grave candles & ornaments 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.

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



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 10/ 07 / 2025**

**NO JACKPOT WINNER THIS WEEK**

**5**

**8**

**26**

**30**

The winner of the €50 weekly raffle prize is:

**Mary Thornton**

Next Week's Jackpot will be: € 1,650

## **PARISH CONTACTS**

**Fr Aquinas Duffy : 0404 67196 // 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**

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.....

Love your Neighbor  
who doesn't



look like you,



think like you,



love like you,



speak like you,



pray like you,



vote like you.

Love your Neighbor.  
No Exceptions.