PARISH NEWSLETTER Wicklow & Rathnew RCN 20016166

Fifth Sunday of Easter - Year C

18th May 2025



SERVE THE WORLD

Gospel Reflection ~ The glory of God in St John's gospel is another word for his love. ~ Donal Neary SJ

We have types of love, and for most of us we find it in our lasting friendships, our spouses, our partners, our family – those without whom life would be so much the poorer.

Real love transforms. Opens the heart more and more. We get out of ourselves in real love – caring, forgiving, getting over things. In all sincere and outgoing love between any two people, God is present. Love brings God alive in us. Not the love that is in name only and uses each other. But love that sees the other as more important than myself.

We say, 'love made him'.

Parents say -' I hope they find friends who will bring the best out of each other'. Mauriac writes- "To love someone is to see a miracle invisible to others." The example of Jesus can help us at times when it can be hard to see goodness even in those we love.

Real love heals. Only love makes the best out of the worst. In concentration camps the survivors were often those who had love to remember or go back to. Even when things go very badly in life, the forgiveness of love

can help us move forward.

Lord, help me to be truly grateful for love in my life.



Sincere sympathies to the family of

John Doyle, St. Patrick's Avenue

Mass Intention List

This Weekend ~ 17th & 18th May 2025

6.00pm Michael Kinsella - 1st anniversary, Coley Murley (A)

Willie Earls & his grandson Adrian Doyle (50th A)

Cathy (Catherine) Cullen (BR)

9.00am Eleanor Vize RD

10.30am Maggie, Ger, Joe & Josie Vickers (A)

Patrick Davis (50th A) & deceased members of the

Davis & Fitzpatrick families, Trevor McWilliams (A)

Ann Marah (Bírthday Remembrance), Phílip Malone

12.00pm Ken McElhinney -1st Anniversary, Eddie Hanlon (BR)

May & William O Neill & members of the

O'Brien family, Maeve & Vivien Moloney (A)

In grateful appreciation for the donor of the heart

that has kept a local man alive for the past 30 years.

19th ~ 23rd May, 2025

Monday Special Intention

7.00pm Pete Hamilton RD

Tuesday Arthur Fitzpatrick (A)

7.00pm Alan Carroll (RD)

Wednesday Kathryn Whately RD

Thursday Ken McElhinney -1st Anniversary,

Fríday Fr. Seán Buckley, Margaret & Denís Buckley,

Matthew Turner

Next Weekend ~ 24th & 25th May 2025

6.00pm Donal, Gráinne & Gina McCormack,

Eamon Deehan (A), Tommy O'Sullivan, Tom O'Neill (A)

9.00am Art Dickenson

10.30am Grace Mary (Gráinne) & Christy Cooney & their

daughter Róisin Cooney, Charlie Howes,

Ríta & Míchael Doyle & son Míchael (A)

12.00pm Yvette Davís (A), Kathleen Míchaels,

John Hogan (A)

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS FOR WICKLOW & RATHNEW:

11th May 2025

ENVELOPE/CHURCH COLLECTION - goes towards maintaining our parish
1ST COLLECTION / COMMON FUND - pays salaries of Priests of Diocese
2ND COLLECTION/SHARE - goes towards Diocesan Administration
EASTER DUES € 5160

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: Acts 15:1-2, 22-29

PSALM: 66:2-3,5-6,8

SECOND READING: Apocalypse 21: 10-14,22-23

GOSPEL: John 14:23-29

Baptisms 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

Communion



Please note: The next meeting will be on <u>Thursday 12th</u> <u>June, 2025, at 8pm in the De La Salle Pastoral Centre</u>

Congratulations to the girls & boys from St. Coen's N.S. who received the Sacrament of Communion on Saturday in St. Joseph's Church, Rathnew.

Hoping that all the families had a very special day.

Many thanks to all who helped them to their First Holy
Communion Day - their teachers, parents and Parish
Co-Ordinators who all worked very hard in preparing
them.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

1st Friday after Mass Ashford:

Wicklow: **Mondays and Thursdays after Mass**

Kilbride: 1st Thursday at 7pm (Divine Mercy)

Tuesdays at 9am **Brittas Bay:**



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LAY **MINISTRY APPEAL**

Building Hope Through



Learning to live the Sunday Gospels

Where? 'An Tairseach',

Dominican Ecology Centre

What time? 10.45 - 12 noon

(including a cuppa)

When? Wedneday mornings

• Wednesday - May 7th

• Wednesday - May 14th

Wednesday - May 21st

Wednesday - May 28th

May 2025

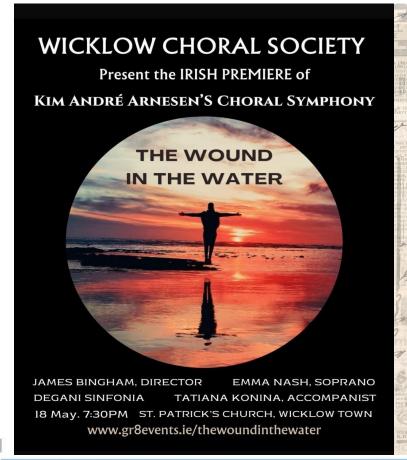
This collection replaces the normal SHARE collection and your support

would be much appreciated.

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.



Wicklow Historical Society

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Tuesday, 20 May

Plus de 20.00 St com Patrick's Room
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New Members Welcome

If you have an interest in the history of the town and its and in the partou all of the environs come and join us.

Living with Inner Peace in Today's World

A talk on Tuesday 20th May

7.00pm - 8.30pm at An Tairseach Ecology Centre, Kilmantin Hill, Wicklow

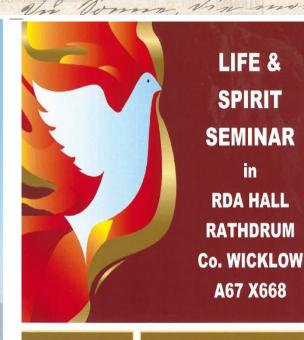
Topics will include:

Calming Anxious Thoughts
Contentment in Daily Life
Tools & Tips to make a positive difference

With 40 years' experience of work in caring professions and a profoundly enlightening spiritual path, Bernadette will gently share her insights

Pre-booking is essential as places are limited Cover charge €5 only

To book your place contact Bernadette by phone on 087 132 8579 or by email at bernadette@healinghelps.ie



COMMENCING TUESDAY 15th APRIL to

TUESDAY 27th MAY (seven consecutive Tuesday Nights)

Time 7.30pm

Guest Speaker each night

For further info: Jack 086 - 2464181

TESTIMONIALS TO THE HEALING POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

- Kate healed from Crohns disease after 26 years.
- Robert paralyzed and on a life support machine for 3 months, totally healed
- Abby young girl with anorexia, totally healed
- Aishling with depression and alcoholism, totally healed
- Eugene 10 years of chronic pain, the Holy Spirit asked me to forgive, totally healed





The Rosary will be said each evening at the Grotto in Rathnew for the month of May at 7.30pm - weather permitting.
We look forward to seeing you there.

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 3 months before the date of the proposed wedding.

Wicklow Tennis Club is supporting Trócaire 'Gifts of Change Sustainability Project'

Tennis Tournament was on Friday 2nd May

Fundraising for
Water Systems
in the Developing World
You too can support this great
cause by accessing the
QR Code below.
Thank you in advance for your
support.







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

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



Many thanks to the sponsor of our newsletter McCrea's Funeral Home, Dublin Road, Phone 0404 69000, 24 hours

Parish Lotto Results for 16/05/2025 NO JACKPOT WINNER THIS WEEK

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The winner of the €50 weekly raffle prize is:

Mary D. Roberts

Next Week's Jackpot will be: € 1,650

PARISH CONTACTS

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Email: parishofficewicklow@gmail.com, Website: 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
contributor to the Parish, please fill in this
slip and return Parish Office or Sacristy

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Contact Number.....

Address.....



