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## WEEKLY PARISH LOTTO RESULTS

# Congratulations

# SHARON GREGORY

18th January, 2024: €50 raffle winner  
Weekly winning numbers: 1, 9, 13, 15

*Please call into the office to collect your prize.*

## JACKPOT €3,600

*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](http://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

Name.....

Contact Number.....

Address.....



## PARISH NEWSLETTER

21st January 2024

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

GOD KNOWS YOU  
BY NAME.  
GOD LOVES YOU  
BY NAME.  
GOD CALLS YOU  
BY NAME.  
MADPHILL.COM

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

### The Ordinary Things

There's something very ordinary for a fisherman about washing nets. Daily work, done with some drudgery but knowing that it is essential for a good catch of fish which would feed the family at this time Jesus called his first apostles.

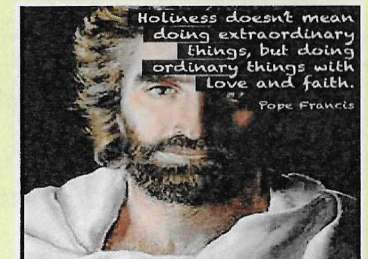
There is something sacred about the ordinary. About bathing a child, loving a spouse, daily employment, family time and all that goes to make up our days.

In the middle of all this God can surprise us and call us into his service. Our expectation is sometimes different – that we need long times of prayer to find God, or read about him, or do big things for him just as the smallest things are done out of human love, God is found in the ordinary.

The old Irish spirituality had blessings for everything – for milking a cow, cleaning and dusting a room, visiting the sick and many more. there were prayers for meals, for a safe journey and a happy death. Our Irish spirituality found God as much in mountains and people as in the church, and often more so.

Maybe the disciples remember in difficult times the way they were called in their ordinary work, and found their ongoing call to follow the Lord in the ordinary of their lives for the rest of their lives.

*Give me O Lord a love for the ordinary;  
remind me often how 'ordinary' you were  
for so much of your life. Amen.*



*Sincere sympathies to the families of  
Sadie O'Sullivan late of Barrow Green*



# Mass Intention List



## This Weekend ~ 20th - 21st January

- 6.00pm** *Bride Coffey, Ena Doyle & her grandson Mark Dunne on his 50th birthday, Kevin Duffy*
- 9.00am** *Margaret Murphy*
- 10.30am** *Michael Gleeson - Months Mind, Seamus & Bridie Grant,*
- 12noon** *Damien Doyle, Maria Smullen, Sinead McGrath*

## 22nd ~ 26th January

- Monday** *Leo Byrne*
- 7.00pm** *Christmas Novena 8*
- Tuesday** *Joan O'Reilly*
- 7.00pm** *Adrian Healy - 1st Anniversary*
- Wednesday** *Sheila O'Driscoll*
- Thursday** *Charles & Josephine Kavanagh*
- Friday** *Christmas Novena 9*

## Next Weekend ~ 27th - 28th January

- 6.00pm** *John Noctor, Henry Tobin, Josephine (Jo) Clance - all months minds*
- 9.00am** *Michael Doyle (A) & remembering Esther, Kate & Paul*
- 10.30am** *George Cardiff*
- 12noon** *Frank Duignan - Months Mind, Norman Mason, George Cardiff*

## WEEKLY COLLECTIONS FOR WICKLOW & RATHNEW:

14th January 2024

ENVELOPE/CHURCH COLLECTION - goes towards maintaining our parish €1810  
 1ST COLLECTION /COMMON FUND - pays salaries of Priests of Diocese €1265  
 2ND COLLECTION / SHARE FUND - goes towards Diocesan Administration € 940  
*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 : Deuteronomy 18: 15-20**

**Psalm : 94**

**Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 7:32-35**

**Gospel: Mark 1:21-28**

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 – 8TH FEBRUARY**  
**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](mailto:parishofficewicklow@gmail.com)

BBK Website: work in progress

Office opening times

**Monday - Friday:  
10am – 12.30pm**

For all enquires and bookings

## *The Pope's Intention for January*

For the gift of Diversity in the Church  
 We pray that the Holy Spirit may help us to recognise the gift of different charisms within the Christian community and to discover the richness of different traditions and rituals in the Catholic Church



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

## ADORATION TEAM

The purpose of the Adoration Team is to make sure that the Blessed Sacrament is not left unattended during exposition. So, for this purpose two team members are rostered to be there each time. If you would like to be part of the team - please leave your contact name and contact details in the office or sacristy and we will be back in touch with you.

[parishofficewicklow@gmail.com](mailto:parishofficewicklow@gmail.com)  
Parish Office 0404 61699  
Sacristy 0404 69031  
Joan McCann 087 2040479

## ADORATION BLESSED SACRAMENT

Will continue on **THURSDAYS** in **St Patrick's 10.30am to 11.30am** Please note the change of day!! We are looking for a few more people to help with the Adoration roster. Please contact any of the above numbers for more information.

## Scoil Mhuire Réalt na Mara, Brittas Bay

Scoil Mhuire Réalt na Mara (Brittas Bay Mixed N.S.), Brittas Bay is enrolling for Junior Infants from January 10th – January 31<sup>st</sup> 2024 inclusive.

Enrolment Forms for Admission for September 2024 are available on our website: [www.brittasbayns.com](http://www.brittasbayns.com).




Application Forms are also available by emailing [brittasbaynationalschool@gmail.com](mailto:brittasbaynationalschool@gmail.com) or phoning Scoil Mhuire Réalt na Mara on 0404 47488.

## 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.



    
**Youth Addiction Service**  
New Initiative by Wicklow Child & Family Project  
Funded by ECRDATF



**What We Do:**  
One to One project work  
Group work  
Confidence & social skills building  
Empowering young people through personal development  
Goal focused intervention  
Harm reduction  
Supporting families of the young people we work with

**Who we work with:**  
Teens under 18 years who have a history of drug or alcohol use

For enquiries or more information please contact  
0404 64725  
[adminwcandfp@wicklowpartnership.ie](mailto:adminwcandfp@wicklowpartnership.ie)




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!*

Phone 0404 32696 or 086 821 6694

Our office is open Mon-Fri  
from 10.00 -1.00 and 2.00-5.00

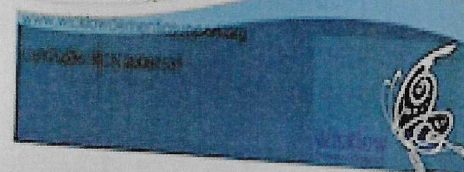
  
Volunteers required for Wicklow  
Dementia Support Memory Group,  
Wicklow Town

Wicklow Dementia Support (WDS) is seeking volunteers to support people living with memory loss attending a new Cognitive Stimulation based Therapy Group to engage in activities.

The session takes place in De La Salle Pastoral Centre, Wicklow on Monday afternoons from 2pm to 4pm.

WDS will provide volunteers with training.

For further information/application form,  
Email [admin@wicklowdementiasupport.org](mailto:admin@wicklowdementiasupport.org)  
Call 085 1345128



# GROW

 mental wellbeing programs

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](http://Grow.ie) to listen to stories of Hope and Recovery.

## WICKLOW & RATHNEW BINGOS



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

**PLEASE MAKE SURE  
YOUR MOBILE PHONE IS  
SWITCHED OFF AND NOT  
USED IN THE CHURCH.**

# Caife agus Comhrá sa Leabharlann

Coffee and Chat as Gaeilge in the library



Eanáir / January 27  
Feabhra / February 17  
Márta / March 23  
Aibreán / April 27  
3-4pm

Cainteoirí Chill Mhantáin

## WICKLOW HISTORICAL SOCIETY ILLUSTRATED LECTURE

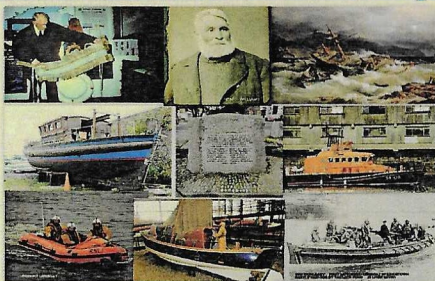
**"A HISTORY OF LIFEBOATS IN DUBLIN BAY"**

by

**CORMAC F. LOWTH**

**DE LA SALLE PASTORAL CENTRE**

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 23rd. at 8.00 p.m.**



The first lifeboats in Dublin Bay were run by the Port Corporation. They were amalgamated into the RNLI in 1862. A great many heroic rescues were carried by all of the lifeboats and some tragedies also occurred. Today lifeboat men still go out in all weathers to try to save the lives of those who are in peril on the sea. Cormac will be recounting some of the history of these events and talking about the boats and the people who manned them. He will be showing a great many rare and interesting photographs, images and charts.

**COME EARLY TO BE SURE OF A SEAT  
ALL ARE WELCOME**

## WICKLOW SAVINGS CLUB



has re-opened on  
Mondays from 1.30pm  
until 3pm, in the De La  
Salle Parish Centre. This  
is a great way to save a  
little bit every week for  
Christmas.

Everyone is welcome to  
join this savings scheme.

There is a €10 fee to  
cover the bank charges  
on the account.

## 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

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*

## Family History Workshop

with Claire Bradley

Wicklow Town Library Thursday, January 25th

7.00 pm - 8.00 pm

Booking Essential

Ph: 0404 67025 or Email:  
Wicklowlocalstudies.ie

Genealogy Workshop at Wicklow Town  
Library branch with Claire Bradley,  
Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> January @ 7pm

Wicklow Libraries has an array of available  
subscription sites that can be used, free of charge,  
to help people with their family history research.  
However, many people don't know where to start  
their research. This workshop will give people an  
idea of the first steps needed to undertake family  
history research. Demos on how to search sites  
will be provided including the Census, Irish  
Genealogy.ie, Findmypast.ie and the British News  
Archive websites.

Claire Bradley is a professional Irish  
genealogist. She is passionate about teaching  
people how to research their own ancestry and  
regularly lectures both in person and online to  
family history and historical societies in Ireland,  
the UK and countries with large Irish diasporas.

This event is free but booking is required. Please  
contact Wicklow Town Library 0404 67025 or  
email [Wicklowlocalstudies@wicklowcoco.ie](mailto:Wicklowlocalstudies@wicklowcoco.ie)

## PARKING .....

Please park in the Church grounds and the Parish Centre with some  
consideration and care. Do not block steps, doors or other cars. Do not park in  
the yellow boxes or on the Double Yellow Lines - and only park in the  
Disabled spaces if you use a permit. Emergency vehicles should always be able  
to have full access to the grounds and buildings.  
Being late is not an excuse for bad or inconsiderate parking.