

PARISH NEWSLETTER

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time -Year B

Wicklow & Rathnew

RCN 20016166

1st September 2024



Gospel Reflections **With Lips nor Heart?** *Donal Neary SJ*

With some vegetables you eat the leaves and the outside. With an artichoke we get to eat the heart. It's the best bit. The best of religion is of the heart. Jesus today talks a lot about that –contrasting with lip service and hearts far from him. The people who were wondering about sincerity. They kept the law but then were intolerant of weakness in others. They missed often on people's goodness and so they talked of people who didn't wash hands, cups and God knows what else.

We say that otherwise too -
Get to the heart of things -
a person has great heart -
put your heart into it -
their hearts are miles away.

The 'heart' is the place of true religion.

The heart is a dangerous place. The head will try to be sensible – 'let the third world look after itself, after all they are spending on war,' but the heart will be broken by the hunger of the poorest. The head will tell you that you need sleep but your heart will get up to care for a baby or an elderly parent. So the religion of some of Jesus' time was safe –the rules were kept but was there love?

*In prayer allow God touch your hopes to love well in life.
Teach me your truth O Lord, in the sincerity of my heart.*

The heart of religion is found in the heart of God.
Kahlil Gibran writes in his book 'The Prophet':
'When you love, do not say: God is in my heart
– say rather I am in the heart of God'.



Sincere sympathies to the family of

Jane McCoy, Marlton Demesne

Mass Intention List



This Weekend ~ 31st August & 1st September 2024

6.00pm Marie Mates (MM), James Banahan (1st A),
May Kavanagh (1st A),
Margaret Hodgkinson (Birthday Remembrance), Rodney
Hodgkinson (A.), Patrick & Lily Cullen, Noel White (A.),
Monica Cullen Armstrong, Stephen Devlin (A)
Conal Kavanagh (A.), May Bury (A),

9.00am **NO MASS**

10.30am Kathleen Marah (1st A.), George & Pat Henry (A),
Patrick Kelly (A)

12.00pm John O'Brien (RD), Elizabeth Cox, Eugene Tighe (A),
Michael Long (A)

2nd - 6th September 2024

Monday Seamus O'Boyle RD

7.00pm Mary Scallan RD

Tuesday Tommy Cahill (A), Millen Varghese (A)

7.00pm David Harlow RD

Wednesday Vincent Byrne RD

Thursday Matt Whyte RD

Friday Kate Hanrahan RD

Next Weekend ~ 7th & 8th September 2024

6.00pm Evelyn Lalor (1st A.), Jim & Bridie Cullen, Charlie &
Frances Cullen, Karl, John & Jimmy Cullen, Rita & Sean
Bouchier, Eileen & Joe Delaney (A)

9.00am

10.30am Mary O'Sullivan (1st A.), Marion Redmond (A)

12.00pm Marie Crossan (MM), Mark Dunne (A),
Michael White (A)

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS FOR WICKLOW & RATHNEW:

25th August 2024

ENVELOPE/CHURCH COLLECTION - goes towards maintaining our parish €1445
1ST COLLECTION /COMMON FUND - pays salaries of Priests of Diocese €1095
2ND COLLECTION / SHARE FUND - goes towards Diocesan Administration € 920

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 : Isaiah 35:4-7

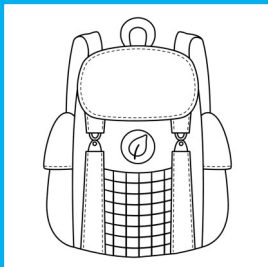
Psalm : 145:7-10

Second Reading : James 2:1-5

Gospel: Mark 7:31-37



The Family Mass resumes this Sunday,
1st September at 10:30am
with the Children's Choir.
New members are always welcome.



Bring your Schoolbag to Mass Day!

The Blessing of the Schoolbags will
take place at the 10:30 Mass on
Sunday, 15th September.

Upcoming Funeral Team Training

Funeral Team training for existing funeral teams and those parishes within our partnership who wish to establish a Funeral Team will take place on **9th, 16th and 23rd October 2024**. (all three sessions to be attended)

For those who have completed the funeral team training, there will be a further **Funeral Team Leader Training** (assisting and/or conducting a funeral service) on **6th, 13th and 20th of November 2024**. (all three sessions to be attended). The venue and time will be decided once numbers of people registered has been confirmed.

Please contact the parish office to express your interest in attending the training.



Bishop Donal Roche will celebrate the 12 noon Mass in St. Patrick's Church, Wicklow on Sunday 8th September.

Refreshments will be served after Bishop Donal's Mass in the de la Salle Pastoral Centre.

Baptism in the Sr. 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



Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will now take place on Mondays and Fridays directly after Mass.

Please note : The next meeting will be on Thursday, 12 September.



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.



Would you like to join our Wicklow Baptism Team? Baptisms take place on the First Saturday and Third Sunday of each month. For further information please contact the Parish Office.

Mass Schedule B and C.

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

Weekend 6/7 July // Weekend 27/28 July //Weekend 31 August/1 Sept //
Weekend 5/6 October

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 21/22 July // Weekend 10/11 August //Weekend 14/15 September

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)

IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM MEALS ON WHEELS

As the new kitchen for Meals on Wheels is not yet complete, there will be NO deliveries of meals for the week commencing Tuesday 3rd and Thursday 5th.

We will keep everyone updated as the work progresses.

We are very sorry for this disruption and assure everyone that we will be back ASAP.

Thank you for your understanding. If you know someone using this service, please inform them of this situation.

Three Mile Water Cemetery

Wicklow County Council will be carrying out the following works in Three Mile Water Cemetery over the coming months:-

- ◆ Refurbishment of the Cross
- ◆ Refurbishment of the gate

The Cross and the gates will be removed from the cemetery for a time.

Don't forget:

that Masses in Wicklow can be viewed live on the pastoral area website,

www.stmantan.ie

Mass leaflets are available in all the churches.



Wicklow Town ICA Guild

Wicklow Town ICA Guild has been operating in the Parish Centre for the past 10 years meeting, on the second Monday of each month, with the customary tea and cake, from September to June. The diverse activities engaged in range from crafts including beading, felting, upcycling fashion and small furniture to making cards and decorations and performing in small drama presentations. Besides meetings the guild also organises a number of days out, theatre trip and get-togethers as well as social and fundraising events. Members participate in Federation evenings and some have also been active on the Wicklow Federation Committee and on the ICA National Executive Board.

Twice yearly weekends in the ICA Educational Centre in An Grianan are an opportunity to meet up with members from other guilds and try out a new skill while being nurtured and entertained in the comfort of this lovely historic building. While there is no pressure on any member to participate in competition some members enjoy taking part in Wicklow Federation and ICA National competitions and have been winners in creative writing, art and crafts, flower arranging, public speaking and photography on a number of occasions.

New members are always welcome to join the guild on 2nd Monday of each month in St Patricks Room in Parish Centre beside St Patricks Church at 7.30 for short meeting, a skill, a game, a getting to know you activity or input from a local group followed by opportunity to chat and sample the supper provided by our hosts for the evening.

Next meeting on Monday 9th September at 7.30

To Contact - Text 086 308 7937 or 086 369 6620

WICKLOW BRIDGE CLUB.

Wicklow Bridge Club reopens on **Tuesday 10th September at 7.20 upstairs in the De La Salle Pastoral Centre. We look forward to meeting all our regular members and new members of all grades will be most welcome.**

You are invited:-

to come and experience PEACE slowly descending into your mind, heart and soul, as you spend a little while in the quiet, stillness, of the church, leaving your worries and wishes in the hands of the God of love, present on the altar.

All welcome

Monday and Friday from after 10 o'clock Mass until 11:30 am in St Patrick's Church, Wicklow

WICKLOW & RATHNEW BINGOS CONTINUE



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

The Royal Bridge Club

The Royal Bridge Club will resume playing on **Monday 9th September and also 11th and 13th. Bridge on Monday and Wednesday nights is upstairs in the de la Salle Pastoral Centre (please be seated at 7:25pm) and on Friday mornings in Wicklow Sailing Club (please be seated at 9:55am). New and returning members welcome. Enquiries to Bernie Hamilton on 085-8511581, or Joe Kelly on 086-8418043.**

Bridge lessons will be available on Thursday nights, from mid-September, in Wicklow Sailing Club. Please contact Phyllis Kavanagh on 086-8388096.

Active Retirement Activities & Trips

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

Tuesday morning meetings 10.45am.

Walking on the Murrough Wednesdays at 11.00am

Choir will resume in September

Autumn Holiday to Sligo—9th-13th September

**** We will be closed for the month of August and resume our Tuesday morning meeting on 3rd September.**

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

ABBEY BRIDGE CLUB

Summer is over so are you ready to meet your bridge friends for the new season. The club re-opens on Monday 9 September at 7.20 in Wicklow Golf Club. New members are welcome.

NEPTUNE BRIDGE CLUB

The Neptune Bridge Club reopens on Thursday 12 September at 7.20 in the De La Salle Pastoral Centre. The Club welcomes new members, experienced or beginners for a friendly game of bridge in a very comfortable venue.



Bethany
Bereavement Support

*We offer you a safe, free, supportive place
to journey through your grief*

If you are struggling with your grief and would like to speak with a trained listener then why not come along to our meeting on the last Tuesday of the month at 8pm in the De La Salle Pastoral Centre, Wicklow. You will be most welcome.

Or

If you are interested in helping bereaved people yourself, you would be most welcome to join as a volunteer.

A training course will be commencing in the autumn.

For more information phone 087 946 8971

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

WEEKLY PARISH LOTTO RESULTS

***Congratulations
Dolores Hanlon***

29 August 024: €50 raffle winner

Weekly winning numbers: 5, 7, 16, 20

Please call into the office to collect your prize.

Next week's JACKPOT is €3,750

*Remember...if you aren't in you can't win!
Join by texting the word WICKLOW to 51444*

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

Name.....

Contact Number.....

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