

PARISH NEWSLETTER

Wicklow & Rathnew

RCN 20016166

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time -Year C

9th February 2025



Gospel Reflections Alive Donal Neary SJ

Peter got great joy out of being a fisherman/ a businessman/ with his business partners. Especially when the catch was good and the money was flowing in from Rome and the cities east and west of Galilee. Jesus offered more - for then/ for now and for always. Life to the full was to follow, even in suffering/ humiliation and death for Peter. Christ is alive

~ in love of our family network/

~ in our deep friendships/

~ our care for the needy and our care for the earth.

~ in Our volunteers in many places they work bringing the fullness of life of Jesus.

The fish in the story represent all the people who will be found for Christ.

And he said to Peter, *look at the fish and think of the people and know that I am alive!*

Sharing and educating in faith is bringing Christ to life. The teachers and chaplains, priests, religious, parish personnel, all educators, all parents, all families in faith are in partnership with the Lord Jesus. All sincere faith knowledge leads to love of God and each other. Conversion is being in love with God and his creation, with each and with everyone. We want to be in a state of love. Only the one who can love can know God, for God is love. That's the challenge to all of us in passing on the faith as best we can to another generation. We pass on our faith in love.

It's not just a catechism but the conviction, belief and joy that Christ is alive. To us Christ would say there will always be fish to be caught and people to be served, the generous gift of God. To us he says I'm calling you, and that call is a the generous gift of God,

Lord, help me to find you in all things, and then we can do all for your greater glory.



*Sincere sympathies to the families of
Noleen (Christina Mary) Nolan née Flynn (formerly Doyle),
England, late of Wicklow
Margaret Conway, Dunbur Road,
Cathy Flynn, St. Laurence's Road*

Mass Intention List

This Weekend ~ 8th & 9th February 2025

6.00pm

Leo Cullen (A), Patrick (Paddy) Cullen (A),
Nora & Pat Clarke

9.00am

NO MASS

10.30am

Aileen Synnott (A)

12.00pm

Stephen Fitzpatrick (1st A)

Michael Murphy (A), May Flanagan (A)

Noel Murphy & his daughter Carmel Wyatt,

Colin, Patrick & Valerie Quinn,

John & Mary Dunne (A), Peter & Annie Vickers (A),

Brendan & Sheila Quinn, Rose Flaherty

10th ~ 14th February 2025

Monday

Funeral Mass of Cathy Flynn

7.00pm

NO MASS

Tuesday

Funeral Mass of Margaret Conway

7.00pm

Parishioners' Intentions

Wednesday

Ellen & Patrick Rowan (A)

Thursday

Ellen, Myles & Patrick Cullen

Friday

Lilly Murray (RD)

Next Weekend ~ 15th & 16th February 2025

6.00pm

Harry & Mena Leonard (A), Maura (Molly) Kelly (A)
John Gannon (A)

9.00am

*James Heffernan, Deceased members of the
Hollingsworth family of the Rock - James, Brigid &
Derek*

10.30am

12.00pm

John McAulay (MM), Edward Hanson (A),
Seamus McCarthy (A)

**WEEKLY COLLECTIONS FOR WICKLOW & RATHNEW:
2nd February 2025**

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| ENVELOPE/CHURCH COLLECTION - goes towards maintaining our parish | €2040 |
| 1ST COLLECTION /COMMON FUND - pays salaries of Priests of Diocese | €1045 |
| 2ND COLLECTION/SHARE FUND - goes towards Diocesan Administration | €1490 |

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: Jeremiah 17:6-8

PSALM: 1

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 15:12, 16-20

GOSPEL : Luke 6:17, 20-26

Baptisms in the St. Mantan Pastoral Area

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| 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, 13th February 2025, at 8pm in the De La Salle Pastoral Centre

PARISH CONTACTS

Fr Aquinas Duffy : 0404 67196 // Fr Gerard Deegan : 0404 67133

Parish Office: 0404 61699

parishofficewicklow@gmail.com

Office opening time Monday - Friday: 10am – 12.30pm

For all enquires and bookings

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



Wicklow/Ashford Bethany Bereavement Support Group

The death of a loved one is very devastating. Most of us are not prepared for the long journey of grief. At first we don't really believe it. Often by the time the reality hits us our friends and relatives think that we are or should be okay and they go back to their busy lives.

The Bethany Bereavement Support Group is a voluntary parish based ministry which aims to help the bereaved and grieving. Although grieving is a natural process which can be helped by the sympathy and understanding of friends there are times when one needs support to work through it in a positive way. Feelings need to be expressed rather than repressed. It helps the healing process to talk with a trained listener and confront the very strong feelings associated with grief.

Wicklow/Ashford Bethany Bereavement Support Group meet on the last Tuesday of the month in the De La Salle Centre at 8pm and if you are struggling with your grief and think you might like to talk with a trained listener, you are very welcome to attend this meeting. More information from 087 946 8971

This group is also looking for people to join the group as listeners - full training will be given and more information from the above

TRAINING FOR EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION 7.00pm - Tuesday, February 18th



Presented by: Peter Siney—Office for Mission & Ministry, Dublin Diocese

Venue: St. Anne's Parish, Dublin Road, Shankill, D18 AW68

Tea & Coffee – 7.00pm (Resource Centre)

Training Session 7.30pm – 9.30pm (Church)

This training is for all current and new Extraordinary Ministers

To register please call (01) 282 2277

or use this link [https://forms.gle/](https://forms.gle/Vza4uqB6V7dkrMDy5)

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IMPORTANT NOTE

It has come to our attention that there is an organised begging group outside the Church doors before some of the Masses We would ask parishioners not to give anyone from this group money. All genuine collections will be announced in the Church or in the Newsletter.

If you ever feel under pressure from anyone either inside or outside the Church to give them money please let us know as soon as possible. It is very important to us that all parishioners feel safe and comfortable in the Church and in the Church grounds.

Mass Schedule B and C.

Mass Schedule B

Weekend 25/26 January // Weekend 8/9 February

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| Ashford Vigil Mass | 6.00pm | (Saturday) | NO MASS in Glenealy |
| Wicklow Vigil Mass | 6.00pm | (Saturday) | |
| Kilbride | 9.00am | (Sunday) | NO MASS in Barndarrig |
| Wicklow | 10.30am | (Sunday) | |
| Wicklow | 12.00pm | (Sunday) | NO MASS in Rathnew |
| Brittas Bay | 12.00pm | (Sunday) | |

Mass Schedule C

Weekend 18/19 January // Weekend 1/2 February // Weekend 1/2 March

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| Wicklow Vigil Mass | 6.00pm | (Saturday) | NO MASS in Ashford |
| Barndarrig Vigil Mass | 7.30pm | (Saturday) | |
| Rathnew | 9.00am | (Sunday) | NO MASS in Kilbride |
| Wicklow | 10.30am | (Sunday) | |
| Glenealy | 10.30am | (Sunday) | NO MASS in Brittas Bay |
| Wicklow | 12.00pm | (Sunday) | |

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.



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**

St Patrick's Savings Club

Re-opened on
Monday 13th January
1:30pm—3pm

de la Salle Pastoral Centre



*Study Theology Online,
is this for you?*

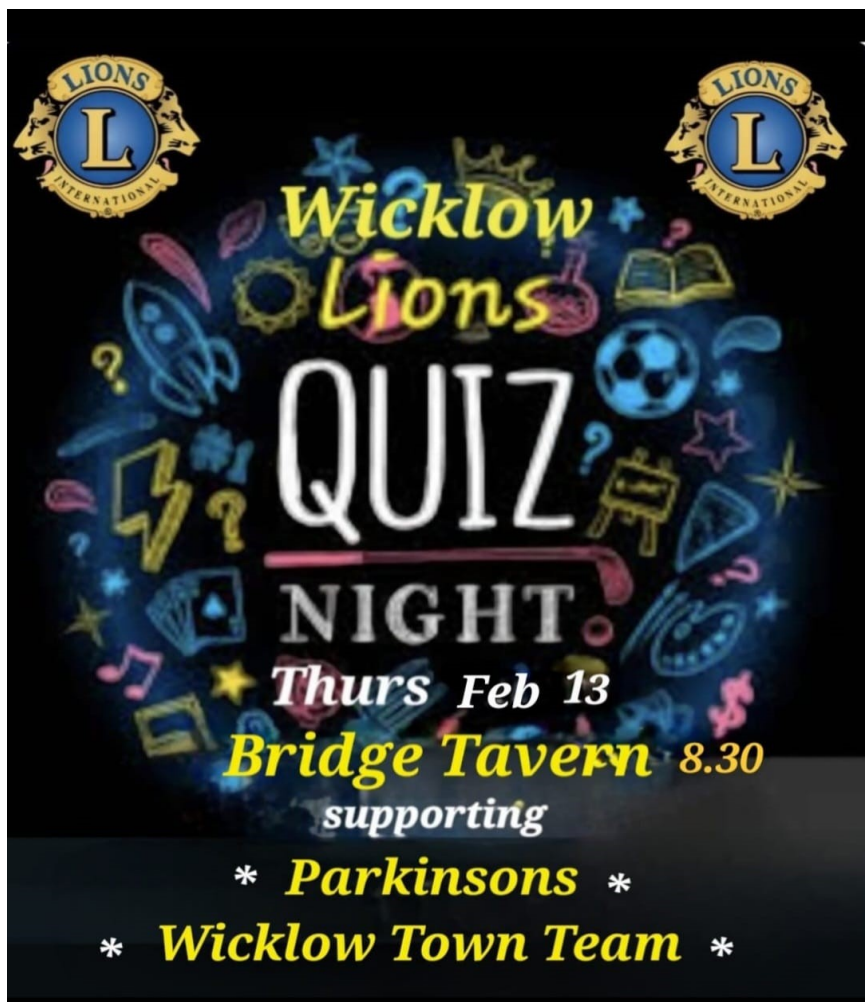
The Priory Institute provides online Theology courses to degree level. Attend Saturday lectures in Tallaght or from the comfort of your own home. Register before February 11. Find out more on our website, prioryinstitute.com



Volunteers required to bring Holy Communion to Knockrobin Nursing Home on a roster basis.

If interested, please contact the parish office for more information on this very special ministry.

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



Please note that there will be no Mass in Rathnew on Mondays at 7pm for the next few weeks.

The next Monday evening Mass will be on Monday, 17 February.

If you have a Mass intention booked for any of the cancelled Masses please ring the Parish Office on 61699 to rearrange.



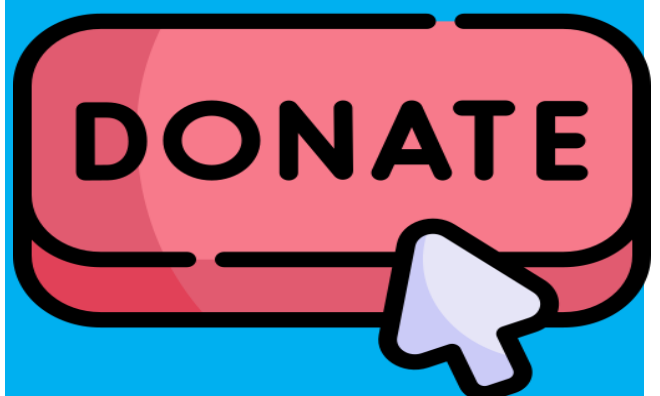
Learning to live & love the Sunday Gospels

Where? An Tairseach,
Dominican Ecology Centre
When? each Wednesday morning
What time? 10:45am-11.45am
(including a cuppa)

Please note that the **DONATE** button on the pastoral website is not working correctly.

We are working on this and hope that it will be back working soon.

Apologies for any inconvenience caused.



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 6/ 02 / 2025

NO JACKPOT WINNER THIS WEEK



The winner of the €50 weekly raffle prize is:

Colm Finnegan

Next Week's Jackpot will be: € 1,625

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.....

Address.....

When you arise in the morning, think of what a precious privilege it is to be alive – to breathe, to think, to enjoy, to love.

— Marcus Aurelius