



PARISH NEWSLETTER

5th September 2021
Wicklow & Rathnew
Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary
Time



Welcome

to our Mass and a very warm welcome to everyone joining us on our parish radio & online.

Gospel Reflections

In the Ordinary

Donal Neary SJ



Jesus avoids attention after his work of healing the deaf man. He's not a quarter hour celebrity. He didn't want admiration, he wanted love to flow into and out of ourselves - doing good quietly. The best of things are ordinary. In the ordinary Jesus worked the miracle and in the ordinary we will hear new things.

The theologian Karl Rahner SJ was once asked whether he believed in miracles. His answer: "I don't believe in them, I rely on them to get through each day!" Indeed, miracles are always present within our lives. Miracles of birth, of love, and hope. The ways people get over hurts and they forgive. Someone giving a lot from the little they have.

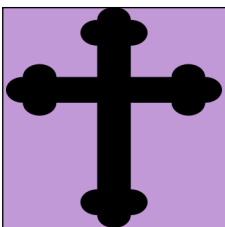
It is the world of mystery – of little miracles. A miracle is not against nature – it is something that causes faith and love.

The first reading today sees more in the desert than a wilderness and flowers: we see and hear beyond created things to the healing work and word of the creator. Maybe we might listen to new voices about God and life in our conversations - I heard recently a young person talking about the suicide of a friend and how this brought him to realise how much we really need God. His chat strengthened my faith.

Can we recover the simplicity of life with the small miracles that get us through every day? i.e. like a sudden burst of sunrays in the midst of trees All of us have something new to say of God and of life. And we get more than we knew out of the simplicity of life.

*Think today of something small that can remind you of something deeper and of God.
Praise to you O lord for simple surprises in my life!*

***New Guidelines:** We are delighted to be opening our Churches on Monday 6th September to 50% capacity of the buildings. We will continue to only use every second row which will be complying with the new guidelines. All other seats can now be filled. However, parishioners will still need to wear face coverings and also have to sanitise hands on the entrance to the buildings. A huge thank you to all our stewards who have given up their time and put so much effort into keeping our churches open.*



Sincere sympathy to the family of ...

Noel White late of Glenview Road

Mass Intention List



This Weekend ~ 4th & 5th September

- 6.00pm** Sally Scully - Months Mind, Rita & Sean Bouchier, Eileen Delaney
- 7.00pm** Aidan Giffney - Months Mind
- 9.00am** Cyril Nevin RD
- 10.00am** Matt & Mary Hynes & their grandchildren Carol, Matthias & Shane
- 11.30am** Lily Cox

6th - 10th September

- Monday** - Pat O'Rourke RD
- 7.00pm** Special Intention
- Tuesday** - Mary Sherlock, Mary (May) Roche, Eileen Nolan BR
- 7.00pm** Damien Cuffe RD
- Wednesday** - Tom O Mahony
- Thursday** - Liam Walker - Months Mind, Special intention for healing
- Friday** - Dunny Byrne

Next Weekend ~ 11th & 12th September

- 6.00pm** James Malone - 1st Anniversary, Mary Rice
- 7.00pm**
- 9.00am**
- 10.00am** Marion Redmond
- 11.30am**

Please note that the Masses in green type are in St Joseph's Rathnew



**WEEKLY LOTTO RESULTS
CONGRATULATIONS**

GLENDA CONYARD

**WEEKLY €50 RAFFLE WINNER
THIS WEEKS WINNING NUMBERS ARE**

3, 4, 14, 25

NEXT WEEKS JACKPOT WILL BE

€1,600

Remember...if you aren't in you can't win!

Join by texting the word

WICKLOW to 51444

or go to the website below:

www.ourparishfundraiser.ie/parish/wicklow

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

The parish offers Religious Education classes for Catholic children attending non Catholic Schools. Parents who wish to present their child for the Sacraments of First Holy Communion & Confirmation are invited to enrol them for a two year programme of preparation. Classes will commence on Tuesday 28th September. Further information on enrolments & classes will be advised next week



Coffee Morning

A Coffee Morning & Monster Raffle

**In aid of Wicklow Hospice
will be held in Blainroe Golf Club
On Friday 17th September 2021
from 10.00a.m. - 1.00p.m.**

**Come and help support the delivery
of loving care and support of patients³
and families in our community**



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CORONAVIRUS HELPLINE FOR OLDER PEOPLE

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If you have concerns or queries about COVID-19
call ALONE's dedicated support line everyday, 8am - 8pm.
To volunteer your help, visit www.alone.ie



Wishing all our children and young adults along with all their teachers and other auxiliary school staff a very safe and happy return to all the schools in the parish. Have a great year!

THE SALE OF THE YEAR IS BACK!

**UNWANTED GIFT SALE,
COFFEE MORNING
ART & PHOTO EXHIBITION & SALE**

**Put the date in your diary!
SUNDAY 7th NOVEMBER, 2021.
From 10.00 a.m. to 2.00 p.m.**

Maureen & her team are starting to accept unwanted gifts on Thursdays starting on 9th September from 10.30 to 12 at The Pastoral Centre, Wicklow Town or by appt on any Wed, Thurs, Friday

This year we are also hoping to add an **ART & PHOTO EXHIBITION & SALE** to this event - so if there are any Artists or photographers who would like to donate a painting or photograph, we would be very grateful. The sale of your donation and proceeds will go to Wicklow Cancer Support & Wicklow Parish.

(PLEASE NOTE THAT WE CANNOT ACCEPT SECOND HAND OR USED ITEMS, NO BOOKS OR CLOTHES)

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



NEXT WEEKENDS READINGS - 12TH SEPTEMBER 2021

First Reading : Isaiah 50: 5-9

Responsorial Psalm: 114

Second Reading : James 2: 14-18

Gospel: Mark 8: 27-35

To reflect on the readings please check catholicireland.net /sacredspace.ie / universalis.com

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS FOR WICKLOW & RATHNEW: 22/08/2021

1ST COLLECTION / COMMON FUND	- pays salaries of Priests of Diocese	-	€ 945
2ND COLLECTION / SHARE	- goes towards diocesan administration	-	€ 460
ENVELOPE/ CHURCH COLLECTION	- goes towards maintaining our parish	-	€ 1995

Many thanks for your continued support.

**St Patrick's Conference
Wicklow**



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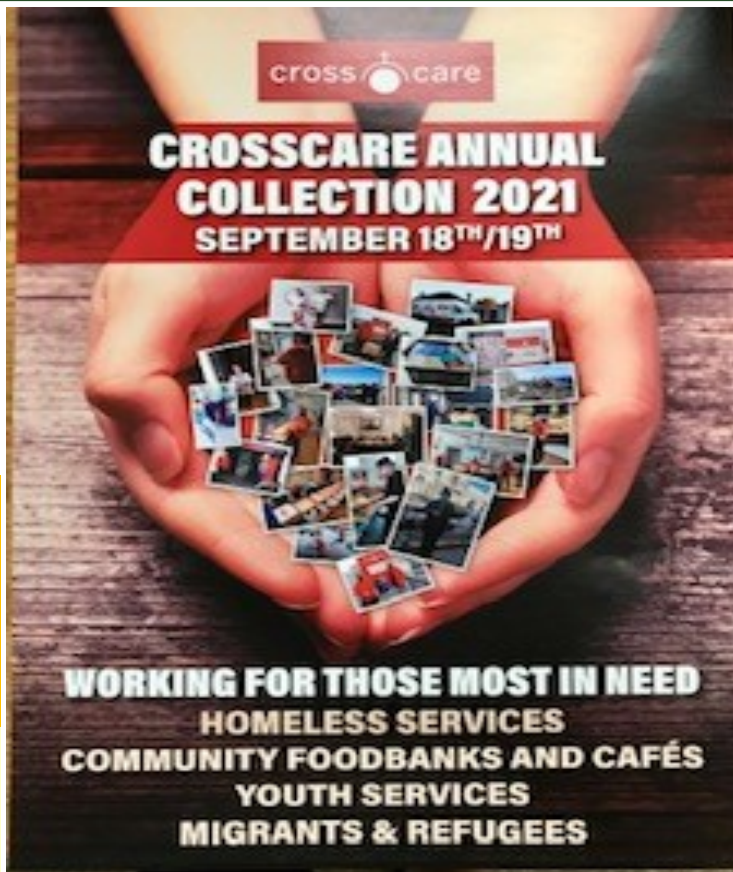
Is open Monday to Friday from 10am till 12.30pm for general enquires, mass bookings, to drop in envelopes, buy mass cards etc.

WICKLOW ACTIVE RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION
are planning to open shortly - all members will be notified by text as to the return date very soon !

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

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Contact Number.....



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What we are is God's
gift to us.

What we become is
our gift to God.

-Eleanor Powell