

# PARISH NEWSLETTER

6th September 2020

Wicklow & Rathnew



# Welcome

*to our Mass and a very warm welcome to everyone joining us on our webcam or parish radio.*

*Fr Donal Neary, S.J*    *Gospel Reflections for the Year of Matthew*  
*Each other's keepers*

In any group, small and big, things cause friction. Everyone thinks his or her way is right. We can fight over who is right. Some things are worth a fight, others not.

In the big questions of life, we need the advice, support and love of the other. Many people ask themselves, "Why I didn't give an honest opinion about a decision like marriage or a job or a course of studies which seemed ill-advised to everyone?" We all have good and not-so-good tendencies. We can only advise as best we can, sensitively and wisely, and hope we get a hearing.

We are afraid to hurt, to be rejected. Why do we let so many people drink themselves into trouble and never tell them? The terror of a neighbourhood, no matter what age, needs to be con-fronted. The problem of drugs in a neighbourhood is not con-fronted. Crime is not reported.

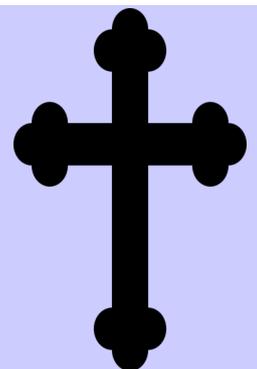
In small and big things we are each others' keepers. Jesus is saying something like that today. Parents can find this difficult as they try to guide the family well and not lose them. We have social responsibility in the family and in the neighbourhood and even worldwide for the common good.

God wants the best for each of us. We can help each other to goodness, we can support each other, advise each other, pray for and with each other, and help each other on our way to God.

*Recall an occasion when another gave good advice, even when you may not have liked it at the beginning. Be grateful! Give me wisdom, Lord, when others ask me for advice or an opinion.*

*I am my sister's keeper*

*Sincere sympathy to the family of -  
Michael Long late of Wicklow Heights  
Paul Davis late of Belmont Close*



# Mass Intention List



## *This Weekend ~ 5th & 6th September*

*6.00pm Vigil Thomas (Finn) Corkish - Months Mind*

*7.00pm Vigil (RN) Michael (Victor) Devlin - buried today*

*9.00 am Special Intention*

*10.00 am Thomas Kavanagh*

*11.30 am Michael & Anne Butler, Fr Billy Butler, & deceased Senior members of the Butler family*

## *7th September ~ 11th September*

*Monday - Joan Steward - Get Well Mass*

*7.00pm RN - Special Intention*

*Tuesday - Mary Sherlock*

*7.00pm RN - Special Intention*

*Wednesday - Pearl Doherty*

*Thursday - Dunny Byrne*

*Friday - William Dunne*

## *Next Weekend ~ 12th & 13th September*

*6.00pm Vigil Mary Kavanagh - Months Mind, Mary Rice*

*7.00pm Vigil (RN)*

*9.00 am*

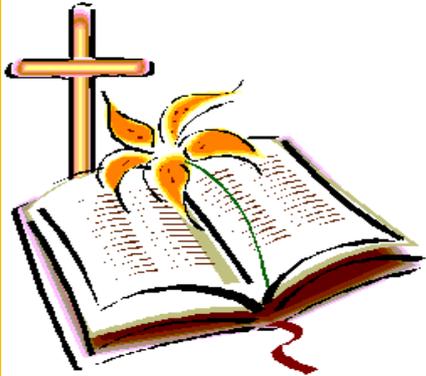
*10.00 am Eamon Conlon, Vincent & Ann Lynnot*

*11.30 am*

# WEEKLY COLLECTIONS FOR WICKLOW & RATHNEW: 30/08/2020

<b>1ST COLLECTION / COMMON FUND</b>	- pays salaries of Priests of Diocese	-	€682.00
<b>2ND COLLECTION / SHARE</b>	- goes towards diocesan administration	-	€360.00
<b>ENVELOPE/ CHURCH COLLECTION</b>	- goes towards maintaining our parish	-	€2585.00

*Many thanks for your continued support.*



## NEXT WEEKENDS READINGS - 13TH SEPTEMBER 2020

First Reading : Ecclesiasticus 27: 30 & 28 :7

Responsorial Psalm 102

Second Reading : Romans : 14 : 7-9

Gospel: Matthew 18: 21-35

To reflect on the readings please check  
[catholicireland.net](http://catholicireland.net) / [sacredspace.ie](http://sacredspace.ie) / [universalis.com](http://universalis.com)

## PARISH RELIGION CLASSES

Will be resuming in the Parish Centre in October on Tuesday afternoons. The classes will be adhering to the Government guidelines regarding COVID & details will be finalised over the next couple of weeks.

Anyone interested in arranging a Baptism - please get in touch with the Parish Office about change of meeting times.

Celebration  
of the  
Sacrament of Baptism



## ADVICE ON CORONAVIRUS MEASURES

From 20 August 2020

**Attendance at religious services:**

**The following is the authentic government position regarding attendance at religious ceremonies and funerals in the light of recent announcements:**

*The situation regarding Religious Services in places of worship (including Funerals) remains unchanged (i.e. pods of up to 50 with social distancing)*

Only **50 members** of the congregation will be allowed into St Patrick's church in Wicklow and only **30 members** in St Joseph's Church in Rathnew.

**ADORATION** - resumes on Wednesdays from 10.30am until 12midday

**HOLY HOUR** - is also resuming on Wednesday evenings from 7.30pm until 8.30pm

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 to Parish Office or Sacristy

Name..... Contact Number.....

Address.....



# PARISH WEEKLY LOTTO



**Congratulations to  
KAY MURPHY**

**Winning numbers for this week  
4, 5, 6, 26**

**Who won the weekly lotto raffle.  
Prize of €50 in the Parish Lotto!**

**Next weeks jackpot will be €3,925  
If you're not in, you can't win!!**

**Please note..... There are a few players who have been omitted from the last few draws due to renewal of cards or lost cards, if you wish to continue to play please re-submit the new card details on the login page of our parish fundraiser or get in touch with the parish office.**

### Getting Back on Track Financially

Due to the impact of COVID-19 many more people in Ireland may be struggling to pay their debts having recently lost their jobs or struggling to make ends meet on reduced incomes.

The effects of problem debt on a person's wellbeing and mental health can be severe and can prevent them coming forward for help but there is a solution to every debt problem and this is where the Insolvency Service of Ireland (ISI) can help.

The ISI is the independent government body with four debt solutions to help people with all levels of problem debt - from credit cards to mortgages. It regulates debt advisors called Personal Insolvency Practitioners (PIPs).

You could be insolvent if:

- you can't pay your bills in full when they are due
- You're paying a little off each bill trying to keep creditors at bay
- You've had calls and letters about missed repayments and threats of repossession.

If you are insolvent and in arrears on your home mortgage you could also be eligible for a free consultation with a PIP under the State-funded Abhaile Scheme. The purpose of that Scheme is to help people in serious arrears to find the best available solutions, with the help of professional advisors. The priority will be to find a sustainable solution that keeps a person in their home, where possible.

For more information visit [www.backontrack.ie](http://www.backontrack.ie) or freetext GETHELP to 50015 for a callback.

### **PARISH CONTACTS**

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**Office opening times -**

**Monday - Friday : 10am - 12.30pm**

*A negative mind  
will never give you  
a positive life.*

