



PARISH NEWSLETTER

8th August 2021

Wicklow & Rathnew

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Welcome

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

Donal Neary S.J.

Gospel reflections

www.messenger.ie/bookshop/

Food for Now and Eternity

Elijah needed both Food for the body and soul, for forty days which in the Hebrew Testament is a symbolic number for a journey of the soul.

Food for the soul can become prayer, a good chat at a bad moment, the Mass. Culture, art, music, prayer to feed the soul. The bread of life of Jesus is both Holy Communion and other nourishment for the soul.

Teilhard de Chardin writes: 'we are spiritual beings on a human journey'. This means that at our deepest we are spiritual. Our essence is from God and for God, and the journey is human. Both are one.

In all of this is the presence of Jesus. The one who is our bread of life, and through us he feeds others in many ways. In receiving the bread of life we commit ourselves to being 'Eucharist People' offering the love and compassion of God to the world.

Sometimes we have to wait, and maybe sift through different moods. In the awaiting is the feeding. We are being fed all the time by God, and sometimes we don't notice. The Eucharist is the summit of other feedings and meals.

Our hopes of life after death and our resurrection give the food that always lasts. At the time of death we need reminders of meeting God in the next life!

*We might picture people in great need
– of food, of meaning in life, of hope.
Pray for them offering to bring food
for body and soul when we can.*

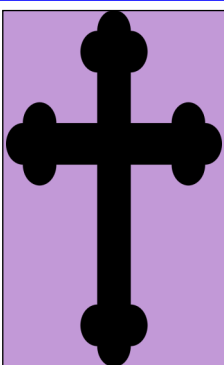


Sincere sympathy to the families of ...

Aidan Giffney late of Merrymeeting Rathnew

Joe Murphy late of Glebemount

Sally Scully (nee Kelly) late of St Laurence's Park



Mass Intention List



This Weekend ~ 7th & 8th August

6.00pm Mick, May & Paul Egan

7.00pm James Doyle

9.00am Special Intention

10.00am Richard Murphy, Mary & Frances Cullen, Con O'Rourke

11.30am Susanna, James & Billy Dickenson

9th - 13th August

Monday - Iris Stephens

7.00pm Special Intention

Tuesday - Margaret, Denis & Fr Sean Buckley

7.00pm Special Intention

Wednesday - Tom O'Mahony

Thursday - Mirette Dowling

Friday - Michael Lambert

Next Weekend ~ 14th & 15th August

6.00pm

7.00pm Michael (Turkey) Doyle - 1st Anniversary

9.00am

10.00am Betty Dunne - 1st Anniversary

11.30am Veronica Carroll - 1st Anniversary

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



WEEKLY LOTTO RESULTS
CONGRATULATIONS

Margaret Dickenson

WEEKLY €50 RAFFLE WINNER
THIS WEEKS WINNING NUMBERS ARE
4, 9, 16, 28

NEXT WEEKS JACKPOT WILL BE €1,225

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

SUMMER OFFERINGS

The Archbishop has asked that all parishes have a Summer Collection to supplement the Common Fund, which has been seriously depleted due to Covid.

Whiles the churches were closed, donations to the Common Fund were less than half of the normal amount with the result that there isn't enough monies to pay the salaries of the priests in the Diocese and to support those sick and retired priests in nursing homes.

This envelope is a once off Summer donation similar to the Christmas & Easter Dues, and will most probably become part of the annual contributions like the Dues envelopes.

There are special envelopes available at the Church doors and we would be very grateful for any donation.



Wishing the students from Gaelscoil & Holy Rosary National School the very best of luck next Wednesday, Thursday and Friday when receiving the sacrament of Confirmation which will also incorporate the service of light. We remind families that we can only have parents, sponsor and Confirmation candidates in the Church on the day. We wish you all a lovely day and remind families to be mindful of the current government guidelines with regards to celebrating the sacrament.



YOU'RE NOT ALONE

CORONAVIRUS HELPLINE FOR OLDER PEOPLE

0818 222 024

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

ADORATION TEAM

The Adoration Team is there to provide a continuous presence during exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, which takes place on Wednesdays from 10.30am till 12 noon. So, for this purpose, two team members are rostered to be there all the time. If you would like to join the team, please leave your contact details in the sacristy or with the Parish Office.



Lifeboats

Fundraising in aid of the RNLI

Many thanks to all who contributed to last weeks Church Door Collection, we will inform you of the total amount collected very soon. Many thanks also to all our volunteers who gave up their time over the Bank Holiday Weekend to shake buckets throughout the town and surrounding areas.

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 - 15TH AUGUST 2021

First Reading : Apocalypse 11 : 19, 12:1-6, 10

Responsorial Psalm: 44:10-12, 16

Second Reading : 1 Corinthians 15: 20-26

Gospel: Luke 1: 39-56

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

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS FOR WICKLOW & RATHNEW: 01/08/2021

1ST COLLECTION / COMMON FUND	- pays salaries of Priests of Diocese	- € 565
2ND COLLECTION / SHARE	- goes towards diocesan administration	- € 300
ENVELOPE/ CHURCH COLLECTION	- goes towards maintaining our parish	- € 1930

Many thanks for your continued support.

St Patrick's Conference



Wicklow

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CHILD SAFEGUARDING OFFICER

Telephone number 087 123 8054

WICKLOW & RATHNEW

PARISH OFFICE

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

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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**Office opening times -**

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

**Time is free, but  
it's priceless. You can't  
own it, but you can use it.  
You can't keep it, but you  
can spend it. Once  
you've lost it you can  
never get it back.**