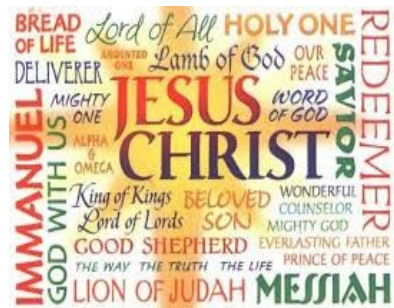




PARISH NEWSLETTER

14th february 2021
Wicklow & Rathnew



Welcome

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

Donal Neary SJ Gospel Reflection www.messenger.ie/bookshop/

People make a Difference

Any story involving leprosy is a story of inclusiveness with Jesus. The people whom nobody wanted were deep in his heart. Jesus wanted to make his life better and in this case, the man was cured. The news spread of this new religious man, a prophet maybe, but one who went where nobody else would go.

Jesus sees into the heart and there he finds a home, because God his Father lives in each of us. His motivation is his deep relationship with all of us. He will cleanse any of the unacceptable sides of ourselves so that we see ourselves as image of God, forgiven and clean. Can we see others like that?

Who would be those he would reach today like this? Maybe the people who want to change their lives from condemnation by self and others. We can name them often, and our society can be cruel on prisoners and their families, abusers of any sort, prostitutes, victims of AIDS and many others. He offers a way out of condemnation and that is often through the goodness and care of another. When we come to him, we meet his followers, and that also can make a difference.

Recall someone who made a difference in your life at a bad time.

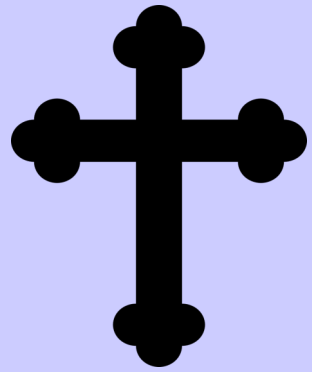
Give thanks for it!

Jesus, healer of souls, heal what keeps me from loving like you.



Sincere sympathy to the families of

- Dennis Scanlon late of Keatingstown
- Noel Murphy late of St Laurence's Rd
- Josie Vickers late of Quarantine Hill
- John Quinn formerly The Bank, Rathnew



Mass Intention List



This Weekend ~ 13th & 14th February

6.00pm Seamus McCarthy,
Seamus, Kathleen & Eleanor Caulfield
Myles, Ellen & John Cullen

11.30am Peg Keogh & Sue Smullen - Both Months Mind,
Jimmy Fitzpatrick who is sick at the moment,
Pat Donegan - RD, Anthony Doyle, John Scanlon,
Michael Murphy, Anna & Patrick Byrne,
Edward Marah, James & Dorothy Wynne

15th ~ 19th February

Monday - William & Annie Carr, Patrick, James, Ellen &
Monica Carr, Patrick & Mary Carr

Tuesday - Anthony Mooney - BR, Stasia Scannell, Thomas &
Anastasia Duffy & deceased members of the Duffy & Corrigan families

Wednesday - Deceased members of the Vickers & Quinn families

Thursday Dick Fitzpatrick

Friday Peter & Annie Vickers

Next Weekend ~ 20th & 21st February

6.00pm Sally Cahill -Months Mind, Teresa Copeland -1st Anniversary,
Albert, Elizabeth, Peter (Barney) & Patrick White & deceased
members of the White & O'Brien families

11.30am George Byrne, Joey Doyle, Rodney Duffy & Jenny
Mary Duffy

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS FOR WICKLOW & RATHNEW: up to 07/02/2021

1ST COLLECTION / COMMON FUND	- pays salaries of Priests of Diocese	- € 2245
2ND COLLECTION / SHARE	- goes towards diocesan administration	- € 300
ENVELOPE/ CHURCH COLLECTION	- goes towards maintaining our parish	- € 610

Many thanks for your continued support.

NEXT WEEKENDS READINGS - 21ST FEBRUARY 2021

First Reading : Genesis 9:8-15

Responsorial Psalm 24

Second Reading : 1 Peter 3 :18–22

Gospel: Mark 1: 12-15

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



What do Christians do during Lent?

These days, Christians around the world observe Lent in many ways. Many from more orthodox and traditional denominations will still observe the fast strictly, beginning with the wearing of ashes on Ash Wednesday and abstinence of meat, fish, eggs and fats until Easter Sunday.

Others will choose to give up just one item for Lent, more commonly a 'luxury' such as chocolate, take-aways, meat or alcohol. It is also becoming increasingly common for people to give up other things in order to refocus their faith during this time; such as watching TV, going to the gym, even social media.

Many Christians also use Lent to study their Bibles and pray more intensively, making use of the many devotional books and courses now available.

And, of course, more and more Christians are turning to the [40 acts challenge](#) as a way of doing Lent differently; this idea encourages you to do something generous during Lent, using simple daily reflections and acts of generosity as a way of putting others first during preparations for Easter.

Sundays during Lent are very important to Christians around the world. Where the Monday to Saturday of each of the six weeks are concerned with fasting and abstinence, the Sunday is a celebration symbolic of Christ's resurrection. Instead of fasting, Christians hold feasts in remembrance of Christ's sacrifice. The fourth and sixth Sundays are particularly important – the fourth because it is Mother's Day and the sixth because it's Palm Sunday.

Lent will begin on Wednesday 17th February. As we are unable to attend our normal Lenten Masses we will be doing services a bit different this year.

ASH WEDNESDAY - Blessed Ashes will be in separate envelopes and available for collection in the church after the 10 am Mass.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS - On Friday evenings instead of the Rosary, we will have the Stations of the Cross at 7.30pm.

LECTIO DIVINA FOR LENT - beginning on Thursday 18th February from 7.30pm until 8.30pm on ZOOM. Please leave your name and email with the Parish Office and a link will be sent for the Zoom meeting.

TROCAIRE BOXES - are available in the Church and the Parish Office, please take one home with you

PARISH WEEKLY LOTTO



**CONGRATULATIONS TO
GAIL O' SULLIVAN
OUR WEEKLY RAFFLE WINNER!**

THIS WEEKS WINNING NUMBERS

4, 6, 11, 27

Next weeks jackpot will be €1275

*Remember - if you aren't in
you can't win!!*

Accord Dublin's Annual Collection will take place this weekend of 13th & 14th February.

We realise that it will be more difficult for parishes to support us this year – although the demand for services is greater than ever.

To enable our services to continue to meet the demand, we need your support. Contributions can be left into the Parish Office or the boxes in the church.

Parishioners can also donate in the following ways

Online at www.accorddublin.ie where you will find a DONATE button.

By post to Accord Dublin, Holy Cross Diocesan Centre, Clonliffe Road, Dublin 3.

By bank transfer to ACCORD Dublin Catholic Marriage Care Service CLG, Bank of Ireland, 88 Lower Camden Street, Dublin 2. IBAN: IE27 BOFI 9001 1357 0742 03; BIC:BOFIIIE2D.

ROSARY & BENEDICTION

will continue on **Monday & Wednesdays at 7.30pm** including the **Holy Hour on Wednesday evenings. On Fridays, there will be Stations of the Cross for Lent**

PARISH RADIOS APPEAL

If anyone has a Parish Radio lying around their house, can you please drop it into the Parish Office as we have some parishioner's looking for them at the moment. We can also collect them if necessary.

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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