

PARISH NEWSLETTER

19th April 2020

Wicklow & Rathnew



Welcome

A very warm welcome to anyone visiting our Parish at the moment, and also to those joining us on our webcam or parish radio.

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Monday - Friday : 10am - 12.30pm

Fr Donal Neary, S.J., *Gospel Reflections for the Year of Matthew*, www.messenger.ie/bookshop/

Thanks, Thomas!

Thomas ... thanks! For bringing honesty into our faith. He didn't pretend that he was better than he was. He began by wanting proof and ended by being glad of faith. He is the patron saint of transitions and steps in faith. Faith is a journey. He is the saint of faith in our times. The community was the place he found faith, having lost it when he tried to go it alone. Then he came back to the community of faith and went on a journey of life that took him to martyrdom in India.

He also found Christ in wanting to touch his wounds. We find God when we enter into his wounds in the wounds of our world.

In the faith community of the church we can keep our faith. Our faith grows here too. Thomas looked for faith by wanting to touch the wounds of Jesus. When Jesus invited him to do so, he found he didn't need to. He found faith in being present with the wounded Christ and discovered there his faith in the glory of Christ.

We can do the same. What was said to Thomas is said to us all: 'You believe because you can see me. Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe.'

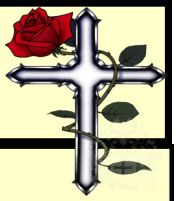
Recall those who have strengthened your faith and be grateful; picture each person and pray for each of them.

HE WAS PIERCED
FOR OUR TRANSGRESSIONS



ISAIAH 53:5

Mass Intention List



Sunday 19th April

Betty Fitzpatrick & Carmel Culbert - 1st Anniversaries,
John Curley - Months Mind, Philomena & Harry Briscoe,
Johnny & Paul Murphy, Johnny Aherne, Kit & Ron Hagan,
Ned Jameson, Ginny O Reilly, Maria Barnes-Coughlan
Chelsea Kennedy,

Due to Mass cancellations all of the weekend intentions will be remembered at one Mass on Sunday, which will be broadcast live on the webcam at 11.30am

Weekly Daily Masses-10am -Monday 20th April to Friday 24th April
Broadcast live

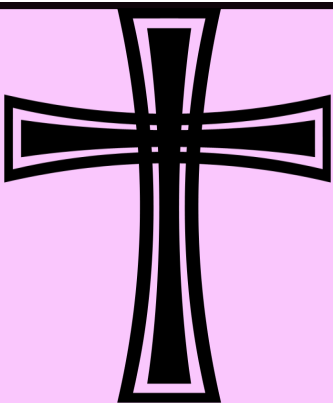
Monday - Larry, Mary & George Kelly, Ned Jameson (A)
Tuesday - Gerry Walsh - Months Mind
Wednesday - Sheila Olahan- DeCourcy RD
Thursday - Mary & Tommy Hogan (A)
Friday - Sheila O'Neill - 1st Anniversary

Next Weekend 26th April

Roisín Hickey, Pauline & Jim Murphy, Essie & Henry Shannon,
Mac Hanlon, Catherine Murphy & deceased members of the
Murphy family

Sincere sympathy to the family of -

Mary Duffy late of St Patrick's Tce



MASS TIMES

Mass is live on the Webcam at 10am Monday to Friday. Church doors will be closed for the Mass, but will re-open after it (approx. 10.30am) until 7.30pm/8pm.

The 11.30am Mass on Sundays will also be streamed live, but again its closed to the public

Holy Hour continues on Wednesdays from 8pm - 9pm.

This allows parishioner's to visit for private prayer or to light a candle, but please be aware of social distancing while in the church and if you are over 70, please adhere to government guidelines and continue to cocoon. Stay safe everyone.

Daily Mass is also on RTE News Now (channel 200 or Sky 521) at 10.30am, for those who wouldn't have access to the internet in their homes.

Dear Parishioner,

During these particularly difficult times - spiritually, emotionally, physically and economically, everyone is facing into a very uncertain period. We as a Church and a charity are in the same situation. We understand that there may be changes in peoples financial situations, but if at all possible we are asking people to continue to support our Priests and Parish.

Due to the reduction of Masses, there is also a reduction of financial support for the Parish.

Like some other Churches in the Dublin Diocese, we are introducing cashless donations with the addition of the GOOD BOX, which is situated at the main door of the church.

This is a very simple addition to our Parish and can be used as a TAP & GO. There is a €3 pre-set option on the box but this can be changed by swiping the screen. It may take a couple of days to leave your account and these donations do stay in our Parish.

Alternatively, you can drop your weekly envelope into the parish office any week-day morning or into the letterbox beside the porch door of the office. Please mark other normal donations as Common Fund - Priests Salaries or Share - Diocesan Administration. If any Parishioner would prefer to change to Direct Debit at this time, please get in touch with the office and we would be happy to send you out the form.

VOLUNTEERS..... We have a number of very kind and willing Parishioners who are volunteering to help out people who may need to socially isolate themselves or are worried about leaving their homes at the moment. These people are prepared to shop, collect prescriptions, walk dogs etc. If anyone needs any form of help please contact the Parish Office any morning and we will be happy to put someone in touch with you.

COVID-19 Support Line for Older People

ALONE has launched a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to the outbreak of COVID-19 (Coronavirus). Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open Monday to Friday, 8am-8pm, by calling 0818 222 024. Hours may be extended to meet the demand.

CHILD SAFEGUARDING OFFICER

Telephone number

087 123 8054

WICKLOW / RATHNEW /
BARNDARRIG / BRITTAS BAY & KILBRIDE

**Deadline for receipt of
items for newsletter is
Tuesday at 3pm.**

There are some Apps/ Websites available online that may be of benefit to Parishioner's in providing Daily Prayer & other resources while we are in the current situation:

Pray as you Go; The Magnificat; Catholic Ireland; Radio Maria, along with our own local website & webcam.



**Congratulations to
ANN LAVIN**



**Who won the weekly lotto raffle prize
of €25 in the Parish Lotto
Next weeks jackpot will be €2,375**

**OUR PARISH LOTTO
Winning numbers for this week
3, 13, 21, 25**



Life
is a circle of
happiness, sadness, hard
times, and good times.
If you are going through
hard times have faith
that good times are
on the way.

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Spiritual Communion

My Jesus,

I believe that you are present
in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love you above all things,
and I desire to receive you into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment
receive you sacramentally,
please come spiritually into my heart.

I embrace you now
as if you were already there
and I unite myself wholly to you.

Never permit me
to be separated from you.
Amen.

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