

PARISH NEWSLETTER

22nd November 2020

Wicklow & Rathnew



Welcome

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

Gospel Reflection Year A ~ Donal Neary SJ - The 'I' word!

We know this story well. The most important word in it is 'I'. Jesus identifies himself with the people he is talking about. He doesn't say people were in prison and you visited them, or sick or naked. He says I who am in prison, sick or naked. It's even more than being a brother or sister of Jesus. He identifies with each of us especially in need. Created as we are in the image of God, Jesus sees right through us to see God. God is the divine life of God in each person.

That makes the difference. We don't help the needy person only because he or she is needy, but because each is in the image of God and Jesus sees him or her and says 'that's me.'

This can be a programme for life. For the young – can you make a decision for your life that includes deep care from your love of those in need? For those in their busy lives already and who have chosen their way – how can you show deep care for those in need. For the elderly – can you pray for those in need each day and encourage those more active to care for them?

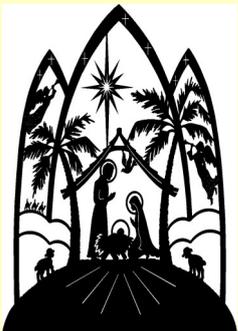
Did you feed the hungry, give drink to the thirsty, welcome the stranger, care for the sick and visit the prisoner?

*Lord Jesus, may your kingdom come –
The reign of equality, justice, peace and love.*



PARISH NOVENA CHRISTMAS CARDS

Are available in the parish office at €3 each, these are suitable for both the living and dead, and the names of the intentions will be included in nine masses over the Christmas season. There are several cards to choose from with scenes from both Wicklow and Rathnew churches and also the Abbey. There is also a pack of 4 Christmas cards for €4 available and all proceeds are for the Parish



Mass Intention List



This Weekend ~21st & 22nd November

*6.00pm Vigil Elizabeth Giffney - Months Mind Mass
Carmel & Nick Lawlor*

11.30am Nancy Stakelum RD

23rd ~ 27th November

Monday - Margaret McGrath,

Special Intention for a sick person

Tuesday - Two Special Intentions for sick people

*Wednesday - William Dunne Jnr - 1st Anniversary,
Margaret Marah*

Thursday - Iris Stephens

*Friday - Lynda & Jim Quinn - 55th Wedding Anniversary
Nancy Scallon - Months Mind Mass*

Next Weekend ~ 28th & 29th November

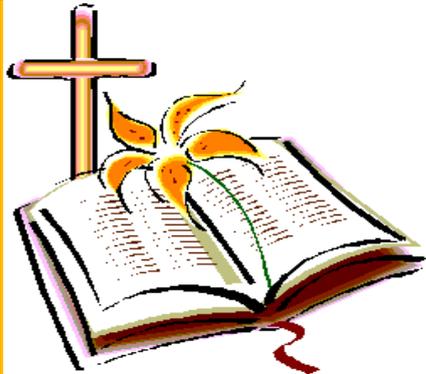
6.00pm Vigil Rosaleen Earls, A I Zachariah

*11.30am Juanito Santos-d-an, Sean Flood, John O'Brien,
Rory Attley & his father Michael, Joe Dickenson*

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS FOR WICKLOW & RATHNEW: 15/11/2020

1ST COLLECTION / COMMON FUND	- pays salaries of Priests of Diocese	- € not counted
2ND COLLECTION / SHARE	- goes towards diocesan administration	- € not counted
ENVELOPE/ CHURCH COLLECTION	- goes towards maintaining our parish	- € 2230

Many thanks for your continued support.



NEXT WEEKENDS READINGS - 29TH NOVEMBER 2020

First Reading : Isaiah 63:16-17, 64:1, 3-8

Responsorial Psalm 79

Second Reading : 1 Corinthians : 1: 3-9

Gospel: Mark 13: 33-37

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

Plenary Indulgence during the month of November

By a special mandate of his Holiness Pope Francis, there has been an adaption to the normal requirements to obtain the Plenary Indulgence for the deceased in the month of November. For this year, the indulgence can be obtained by anyone who visits a cemetery, even if only mentally on any day in November and devoutly prays for the faithful departed.

For anyone who cannot leave their home for various reasons, it is possible to still obtain the Plenary Indulgence by "uniting themselves spiritually to other members of the faithful". The indulgence is obtained by visiting the church, oratory or graveyard and reciting the Our Father and Creed and whatever other requirements are associated with a Plenary Indulgence.

Reminder Mass cards & candles are available to purchase at the Parish Office. There are also a small range of sentiment mini cards, Christmas candles & cards, gift plaques and gift angels for new babies, birthdays & special occasions. We will pop up some images on Facebook over the next few days.

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

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
LILLIAN TIMMONS**

**Winning numbers for this week
8, 18, 20, 22**

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

**Next weeks jackpot will be €4,750
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.

ABBAY GROUNDS

Many thanks to all who have sent emails or letters to us with their opinions regarding the future of the Abbey grounds. All your opinions are under serious consideration. No decision has been made yet. We will keep you informed over the next few weeks.

PARISH LOTTO

Many thanks to all our supporters of our Parish Lotto. The Lotto is coming up to a year old very soon and we wanted to update you all on its success. Thankfully it has all gone very well and on average is bringing in between €1,200 & €1,500 a month which will amount to €14,400 to €18,000 per annum. This money is used for repairs and necessary works in the parish and your help and support is very much appreciated. We hope that with your continued support, we can continue to build and expand within the parish.

RNLI CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

The RNLI would appreciate your support with their Christmas Raffle appeal. They are having smaller raffles in local places in the town and one of these places is the Parish Office. Lines are €2 each and available in the reception area of the Parish Office.

ARE YOU Feeling anxious, overwhelmed, sad or worried? If you would like helpful tips for a more tranquil heart, please call Deirdre at "Your Mindset", 086 6698418.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL CONFERENCE, WICKLOW

Wish to acknowledge, with appreciation and grateful thanks, donations totalling €7430 between March & November of this year.

As we are unlikely to have outdoor or church door collections for the foreseeable future, any donations (addressed to SVP or using donation envelopes, available in the parish centre or at the back of the church), can be dropped into the parish office between 10am & 12noon, Monday to Friday. You can contact the local conference by email at svpwicklow@gmail.com or phone 086 731 4589.

