



PARISH NEWSLETTER

24th JANUARY 2021

Wicklow & Rathnew



Welcome

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



Jennifer Gormley

who won the

Wicklow Parish Lotto

of €5000

winning numbers 6, 8, 21, 24

Mass Intention List



This Weekend ~ 23rd & 24th January

6.00pm *Bride Coffey, Robert Carter*

11.30am *María Smullen, Joan O'Brien, Norman Mason,
Cathy O'Connell, Michael Doyle & remembering Esther,
Kate & Paul Doyle, Paddy Henry, Edward & Bridget Cox,
Graham Roberts, George Cardiff,
Mary McLoughlin - who died in Boston*

25th - 29th January

Monday - *Pat Teahan, Mary Walker, her husband James &
grandson David*

Tuesday - *Harry DeFries*

Wednesday -

Thursday *Tim Kelly & Colette O'Connell*

Friday *Thomas & Margaret Malone (A)*

Breda O'Hanlon on the occasion of her 90th birthday

Next Weekend ~ 30th & 31st January

6.00pm *Seamus O'Rourke, Margaret Hodgkinson & remembering
her husband Rodney on his birthday remembrance.*

11.30am *Patty Byrne, Breda Merrigan*

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS FOR WICKLOW & RATHNEW: up to 17/01/2021

1ST COLLECTION / COMMON FUND	- pays salaries of Priests of Diocese	- € 290
2ND COLLECTION / SHARE	- goes towards diocesan administration	- € 120
ENVELOPE/ CHURCH COLLECTION	- goes towards maintaining our parish	- € 1930

Many thanks for your continued support.

NEXT WEEKENDS READINGS - 31ST JANUARY 2021

First Reading : Deuteronomy 18:15 - 20

Responsorial Psalm 94

Second Reading : 1 Corinthians 7:32 - 35

Gospel: Mark 1: 21-28



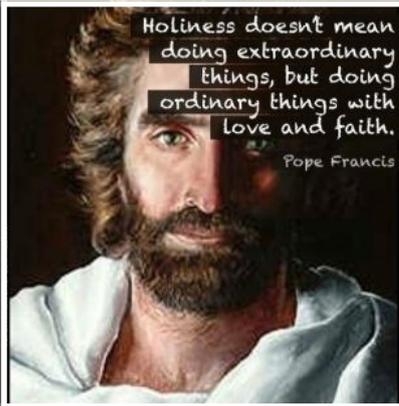
Donal Neary SJ Gospel Reflection www.messenger.ie/bookshop/ *The Ordinary*

There's something very ordinary for a fisherman about washing nets. Daily work, done with some drudgery but knowing that it is essential for a good catch of fish which would feed the family at this time Jesus called his first apostles.

There is something sacred about the ordinary. About bathing a child, loving a spouse, daily employment, family time and all that goes to make up our days.

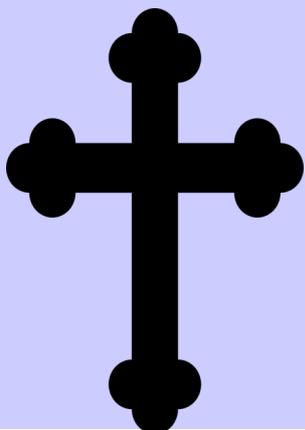
In the middle of all this God can surprise us and call us into his service. Our expectation is sometimes different – that we need long times of prayer to find God, or read about him, or do big things for him. just as the smallest things are done out of human love, God is found in the ordinary.

The old Irish spirituality had blessings for everything – for milking a cow, cleaning and dusting a room, visiting the sick and many more. there were prayers for meals, for a safe journey and a happy death. Our Irish spirituality found God as much in mountains and people as in the church, and often more so.



Maybe the disciples remember in difficult times the way they were called in their ordinary work, and found their ongoing call to follow the Lord in the ordinary of their lives for the rest of their lives.

Give me O Lord a love for the ordinary; remind me how ordinary you were for so much of your life. Amen.



*Sincere sympathy to the families of
Michael Brown late of Glebemount
Sally Cahill late of St Manntan's Close
Patricia Frost nee Roche formerly from
St Laurence's Road*

NEW GUIDELINES ON PUBLIC WORSHIP

Due to the recent government announcement about restrictions on Public Worship, all Masses will only be available online and on the Parish radio with immediate effect.

Until further notice Masses will be at 10am Monday to Friday, 6pm Saturday evenings and 11.30am on Sunday mornings. Unfortunately there will be no Masses in St Joseph's Rathnew for the moment.

All intentions booked for Masses that have been cancelled will be remembered instead at one of the two online Masses

Rosary & Benediction will continue on Monday, Wednesdays & Fridays at 7.30pm including the Holy Hour on Wednesday evenings.

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**Office opening times -**

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

## DURING LOCKDOWN - SOAK UP NATURE

Nature performs some major miracles for us. In fact, according to a pioneering study earlier this year, nature prescriptions could be a cheaper way to improve mental health.

Boost your spirits during lockdown by heading outside, opening your window or simply listening to the sweet sound of birdsong online. There's never been a better time to make the most of the beautiful Irish countryside.

If possible, get some nature into your day. Take a walk to a seaside, a nearby park, a river or green space and make the most of any outside space you may have, such as a garden. Even something as simple as looking after an indoor pot plant or counting the birds you can see from your window can help.

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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