

PARISH NEWSLETTER

26th April 2020

Wicklow & Rathnew



Welcome

*A very warm welcome
to everyone joining us on
our webcam or
parish radio.*

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Monday - Friday : 10am - 12.30pm

[A Virtual Pilgrimage to Knock with the Archdiocese of Dublin - this Sunday April 26th](#)

In these times when travel is restricted, the internet can assist us to reach out to churches that we can temporarily no longer visit.

We had planned to hold the Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock this month and, unfortunately, we cannot do so due to the government restrictions caused by COVID-19.

Instead, with the cooperation of our friends at Knock Shrine, we will hold a virtual pilgrimage on Sunday April 26th commencing at 2.30pm with the Rosary and Mass will be celebrated at 3.00pm.

We would like to encourage as many people as possible to join us in prayer at this time. In this time of difficulty and so many challenges, the virtual pilgrimage will give us an opportunity to pray through the intercession of Our Lady of Knock for all our intentions. Please God, we will be in a position to visit Knock again in person in the not too distant future.

Join the pilgrimage from: <https://www.knockshrine.ie/watch-live.html>

Times are as follows:

2.30pm: Rosary

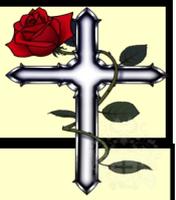
3.00pm: Pilgrimage mass celebrated by the Rector of Knock Shrine, Father Richard Gibbons

3.45pm: Benediction

4.00pm: Virtual visit to the Apparition Chapel

4.15pm: Opportunity to [place a petition](#), [light a candle](#) or [have a mass said](#) online.

Mass Intention List



Sunday 26th April

Roísín Hickey, Pauline & Jim Murphy, Essie & Henry Shannon, Mac Hanlon, Catherine Murphy & deceased members of the Murphy family, Kathleen O'Connor, Edward Healy & Mary Bennett - both RD

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 27th April to Friday 1st May

Broadcast live

Monday - John Byrne RD

Tuesday - Michael Lavin - 1st Anniversary

Wednesday - Conor Teevan RD

Thursday - For all those who sent messages & cards for Don Devaney, during his recent illness

Friday - Altar List of the Dead

Next Weekend 3rd May

Dr Jack Meehan, Ellen Dunne, Marcella & Edmond O Reilly, Baby Mia Ronan & deceased members of the Ronan Family,

CHILD SAFEGUARDING OFFICER

Telephone number

087 123 805

Deadline for receipt of items for newsletter is

Tuesday at 3pm.

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,

Many thanks to all of you who are supporting us at the moment, through your kindness and with your prayers, letters, emails and financially. We really are most grateful.

We do understand that there may be changes in peoples financial situations, but if at all possible we are asking people to continue to support us, and our 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 have introduced 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.

We also have a "Donate" button on our website which will allow you to make a donation to the parish envelope collection, the first collection, the Share collection or the Easter Dues. It's a very simple procedure and a receipt is sent to the Parish on your behalf.

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.

VOLUNTEERS WANTED

Can you use a sewing machine? Would you like to help our frontline staff?



We need some volunteers to sew some scrubs, for our frontline workers. Fabric and pattern are supplied. Leave your details with the office on 61699 and we can pass them on.



**Congratulations to
ANN LAVIN**



**Who won the weekly lotto raffle prize
of €25 in the Parish Lotto
Next weeks jackpot will be €2,450**

**OUR PARISH LOTTO
Winning numbers for this week
7, 9, 10, 15**



There are some Apps/ Websites available online that may be of benefit to Parishioners 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.

To all of our First Communion & Confirmation candidates

We hope that you are all keeping up your school work while enjoying this time with your families. A very special welcome to the children from St. Patrick's N.S. who were due to make their First Holy Communion this Sunday.

Unfortunately due to the Corona Virus, we are all in a very different world at the moment. We know that you are all disappointed, but don't worry, we will be touch with you when the schools re- open and when we are able to return to Mass.

But, please be assured that we are remembering and praying for you all at this time, when you should have been celebrating your very special day.

As the situation is ongoing, we are starting to upload some resources for the Sacraments. So, for the next few weeks, there will be a weekly work sheet based on the Sunday Gospel for both First Communion and Confirmation candidates.

There will be instructions with the work sheet and it is available on the parish website before the weekends Mass, www.wicklowparish.ie.

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.

