

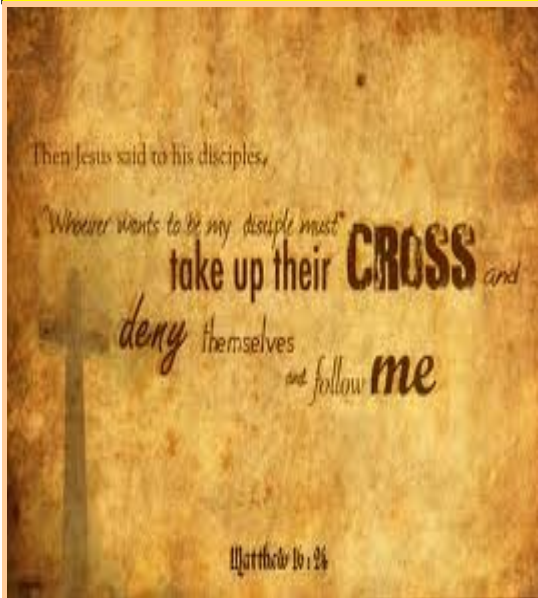
# PARISH NEWSLETTER

30th August 2020

Wicklow & Rathnew



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



*Fr Donal Neary, S.J* *Gospel Reflections for the Year of Matthew*

Jesus was a man who knew his own mind. Our first reading describes a man certain of his mission in life even when putting it into practice and it looks ahead to Jesus. His conviction 'weared him' and made a mockery of him. The gospel incident has the apostles upset, especially their leader Peter, at what was the mission of Jesus in death and resurrection.

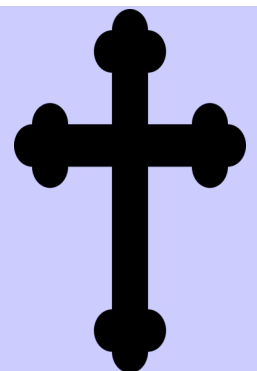
Following him would involve the same sort of dedication, even to carrying the cross. Finding a goal in life is a grace from God. We hope we have found a goal ourselves, something big enough to live for. We want to hand this on to our younger people.

We receive hundreds of different messages about what makes for meaning and happiness in life we want to discern what brings true meaning. A good guide is from Pope Francis, with echoes of St Ignatius' Spiritual Exercises: 'God's voice, instead, never promises cheap joy. It invites us to go beyond our ego to find that true good, peace.' "God's voice and the tempter's speak in different "surroundings". The enemy (of the goodness of our human nature) prefers darkness, falsehood, & gossip; the Lord loves sunlight, truth, & sincere transparency" (May 3rd, 2020).

Maybe we can watch this week for what brings an uplift of peace and joy in our lives and follow the pathways of this peace and joy. Your will be done, o Lord, on earth as it is in heaven.

*Sincere sympathy to the family of -*

*Michael Long late of Wicklow Heights*



# Mass Intention List



## *This Weekend ~ 29th & 30th August*

6.00pm Vigil Ella Dover - Months Mind, Tommy (Tucker) Dover - 1st Anniversary, Rodney & Margaret Hodgkinson, Stephen Devlin

7.00pm Vigil (RN) Jimmy Franey - 1st Anniversary

9.00 am Special Intention

10.00 am Raymond Howes

11.30 am George Henry - Months Mind, Aina Henry, Michael Ronan, Elizabeth Cox

## *31st August ~ 4th September*

Monday - Pearl Doherty

7.00pm RN - Billy Doyle

Tuesday - Conor Teevan

7.00pm RN - Special Intention

Wednesday - William Dunne

Thursday - Kieran Hannify Jnr

Friday - Altar List of the Dead

## *Next Weekend ~ 5th & 6th September*

6.00pm Vigil Thomas (Finn) Corkish - Months Mind

7.00pm Vigil (RN)

9.00 am Special Intention

10.00 am

11.30 am Michael & Anne Butler, Fr Billy Butler, & deceased Senior members of the Butler family

# WEEKLY COLLECTIONS FOR WICKLOW & RATHNEW: 23/08/2020

<b>1ST COLLECTION / COMMON FUND</b>	- pays salaries of Priests of Diocese	-	€770.00
<b>2ND COLLECTION / SHARE</b>	- goes towards diocesan administration	-	€460.00
<b>ENVELOPE/ CHURCH COLLECTION</b>	- goes towards maintaining our parish	-	€2455.00

*Many thanks for your continued support.*



## NEXT WEEKENDS READINGS - 7TH SEPTEMBER 2020

First Reading : Ezekiel 33: 7-9

Responsorial Psalm 94

Second Reading : Romans : 13: 8-10

Gospel: Matthew 18: 15-20

To reflect on the readings please check  
[catholicireland.net](http://catholicireland.net) / [sacredspace.ie](http://sacredspace.ie) / [universalis.com](http://universalis.com)

Are resuming on Tuesday 1st September and will continue on Tuesday & Thursdays as normal at a cost of €3 per meal.



NATIONAL NETWORK

Anyone interested in arranging a Baptism - please get in touch with the Parish Office about change of meeting times.



## PARISH RELIGION CLASSES

Will be resuming in the Parish Centre in October on Tuesday afternoons. The classes will be adhering to the Government guidelines regarding COVID & details will be finalised over the next couple of weeks.

**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  
GRAINNE MACKLIN**

**Winning numbers for this week  
2, 14, 25, 26**

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

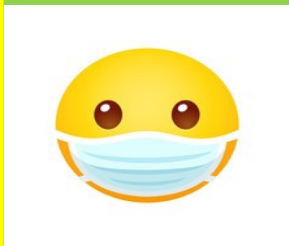
**Next weeks jackpot will be €3,875  
If you're not in, you can't win!!**

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.

We want to thank all our parishioners who are observing the social distancing regulations at the moment and to all those who are wearing face coverings.

It is now a mandatory government regulation to wear some form of face covering in indoor public places.

We would appreciate it if everyone would make an effort to comply with the new regulations, for both your own personal safety and the safety of all parishioners using the church.



## ADVICE ON CORONAVIRUS MEASURES

From 20 August 2020

Attendance at religious services:

The following is the authentic government position regarding attendance at religious ceremonies and funerals in the light of recent announcements:

*The situation regarding Religious Services in places of worship (including Funerals) remains unchanged (i.e. pods of up to 50 with social distancing)*

Only **50 members** of the congregation will be allowed into St Patrick's church in Wicklow and only **30 members** in St Joseph's Church in Rathnew.

## PARISH CONTACTS

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Office opening times -

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

**TODAY**

WILL NEVER COME AGAIN.

*Be a blessing.*

**Be a friend.**

*Encourage someone.*

**Take Time To Care.**

**Let your words heal,  
and not wound.**