

Killiskey Parish

April 2019



Announcements

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"BLESSED BE THE GOD AND FATHER OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST. BY HIS GREAT MERCY HE HAS GIVEN US A NEW BIRTH INTO A LIVING HOPE, THROUGH THE RESURRECTION OF JESUS CHRIST FROM THE DEAD" (1 Peter 1: 3)

CHURCH SERVICES

- Sun 7th 11.00am Holy Communion**
Bible Readings: Isaiah 43: 16-21; Psalm 126;
Philippians 3: 4b - 14; John 12: 1-8
- Fri 12th 10.00am Nun's Cross School Service**
All welcome!
- Sun 14th 09.00am Holy Communion**
11.00am Palm Sunday Family Service
Bible Readings: Luke 19: 28-40; Psalm 118: 1-2, 19-29;
Philippians 2: 5-11; Luke 23: 1-49
commencing with a Donkey Procession from Nun's Cross NS at 10.45am

HOLY WEEK

- Mon 15th 08.00pm Holy Week Service (Wicklow)**
- Tue 16th 08.00pm Holy Week Service (Wicklow)**
- Wed 17th 10.00am Holy Communion (Wicklow)**
08.00pm Holy Week Service (Wicklow)
- Thu 18th 07.30pm Maundy Thursday Holy Communion**
- Fri 19th 02.15pm Good Friday Mediation (Killiskey)**
07.30pm Good Friday Walk of Witness (Wicklow)
starting at Wicklow Methodist Church, proceeding to Wicklow Parish Church and finishing at St Patrick's Roman Catholic Church, featuring readings, prayers and music in each church
- Sat 20th 09.00pm Easter Vigil (Killiskey) with the Unity Gospel Choir**

Sun 21st **09.00am Easter Sunday Holy Communion**
11.00am Easter Sunday Family Communion
Bible Readings: Acts 10: 34-43; Psalm 118: 1-2, 14-24;
1 Corinthians 15: 19-26; John 20: 1-18

Sun 28th **09.00am Holy Communion**
11.00am Morning Prayer for use on Sunday
Bible Readings: Acts 5: 27-32; Psalm 118: 14-29;
Revelation 1: 4-8; John 20: 19-31
05.00pm Family Service

NOTICE OF EASTER VESTRY

The Easter Vestry (Annual General Meeting of the Parish) takes place on Thursday, 25th April, at 8pm in the Bel-Air. This is your chance to hear more about the parish's activities and finances, to have your say on the future direction of the parish and to vote for an incoming select vestry.

THE HUB

The Hub opens mornings and afternoons Monday to Saturday.

On Thursday mornings from 10.30am LET'S CRAFT! meets in The Hub.

DAFFODIL DAY

The Coffee Morning in aid of the Irish Cancer Society's 'Daffodil Day' raised €733. Thanks to all who supplied food and supported the event.

LEARN FROM THE YOUNGSTERS' STRIKE OVER CLIMATE CHANGE

In 2018, a schoolgirl, Greta Thunberg, sat outside the Swedish parliament in protest at the lack of political will to tackle the problems of climate change. Her actions alone have ignited the now world-wide Fridays for Future, where school pupils go on strike to highlight the perilous plight of our planet. On 15th March thousands of Irish school pupils responded to the international call and joined the strike. Reportedly, more than 11,000 students marched to Dail Eireann, about 5,000 students in Cork and many, many more in a total of 37 rallies around the country, with countless other smaller gatherings. Remarkable numbers. As one student said, we have the technology but not the political will to solve the climate crisis. We should all applaud these brave (but also, importantly, peaceful) activists who have no vote and therefore cannot influence which politicians are elected, but nonetheless are making their concerns heard. Furthermore, their actions may prompt others to increase their awareness of the problems of climate change and to take personal actions to reduce their own environmental footprint.

ST PATRICK'S DAY FLOAT

Congratulations to all who built and participated in the float in the St Patrick's Day parade in Wicklow Town. They won a prize for the best fancy dress. Thanks are due to Edgard Hall for sponsoring the "greatest Showman" outfit which Dan Healy wore.

ASHFORD COUNTRY FAIR

The 7th annual Ashford Country Fair will take place in the grounds of the Bel-Air Hotel on Bank Holiday Monday, 7th May from 11am to 4pm.

This year's fair will have a number of animal attractions including a dog show, gun dog demonstration, duck herding, falconry and a pony club. Children will also enjoy our magician and fairground. Stalls include artisan displays, plants, crafts, books and clothes.

For food try our barbecue, teas, coffees and cakes! There will also be vintage cars, tractors, a raffle and many other interesting features. In other words, there will be something for everyone. Please do come along and support a very enjoyable and popular event!

If you can assist in helping on one of the stalls or can provide goods for sale, please contact Amanda Mooney, Bernadette Glover or Lesley Rue.

YOUTH CLUBS

United Youth is a club for 4th to 6th classes. The next club night is on 2nd March and will run from 6.00-7.30pm, It continues on the 1st Saturday of each month in term time in East Glendalough School. The programme includes games, sports, crafts, outings and most importantly fun!

The Teen Youth Group is meeting every 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month in East Glendalough School 6.30-8pm. 12-18 year olds are welcome. Each night there are games, a discussion group and Pizza. All are welcome!

BIG STEP UP

The "Big Step Up" is an overnight event in Christ Church Cathedral to encourage those who are moving from primary to secondary school next year in their faith. There will be sung worship, food, and there will be plenty of time and space to pray, think, chat about whatever's on your mind or just hang out. It takes place on 4th/5th May. The Booking fee is €20 and advance booking is required by 26th April through the parish clergy.

FAMILY SERVICES

There are many different activities for children and youths on Sunday mornings. With this in mind, it has been decided to experiment with a new timing for our monthly family services. They will take place at 5pm, will last 30 to 40 minutes with some food afterwards. If you feel you could assist in organising these services, please talk with Rev Ken. The first such service is scheduled for Sunday 28th April.

FRIENDSHIP GROUP

A friendship group has been formed for people who are retired and for those who aren't able to get out to meet people as regularly as they would like. The next get together will be for afternoon tea on Monday 15th April, in the Wicklow Methodist Hall. All welcome! Further information available from Linda Walsh: 086 8228378.

UNITY GOSPEL CHOIR

The Unity Gospel Choir meets for rehearsals in Nun's Cross church on Mondays at 8pm. New members welcome!

TABLE TENNIS

The Table Tennis club meets in the Nun's Cross school assembly room (downstairs in the new classroom block) on Wednesdays at 8pm.

ROTAS

We need more help with arranging flowers for the church and with organising tea/coffee for the end of services. We are very grateful to those who help the church in this way but would like to spread these tasks more widely. Rotas are posted on the church notice board in the porch and beside the font. Please sign up if you can!

PARISH ADMINISTRATOR

If your postal, email or phone number has changed please let us know. Also to promote events or post information in the parish newsletter or on the website, please contact our Parish Administrator Sinead Todd by email on: wicklowandkilliskeycoi@outlook.com

FACEBOOK

You may find the latest parish news and some great photographs on the Nun's Cross Facebook page at:
<https://www.facebook.com/KilliskeyParish>

WEBSITE

You may access the parish website at: www.nunscrosschurch.ie

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