

Killiskey Parish

August 2019



Announcements

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**WORSHIP THE LORD IN THE BEAUTY OF HOLINESS; LET THE WHOLE EARTH STAND
IN AWE OF HIM". (Psalm 96: 9).**

CHURCH SERVICES

- Sun 4th 11.00am Holy Communion**
Bible Readings: Ecclesiastes 1: 2, 12-14; 2: 18-23;
Psalm 49: 1-12;
Colossians 3: 1-11; Luke 12: 13-21
- Sun 11th 11.00am Morning Prayer**
(led by Mr David Reynolds, a Diocesan Lay Reader)
Bible Readings: Genesis 15: 1-6; Psalm 33: 12-22;
Hebrews 11: 1-3, 8-16; Luke 12: 32-40
- Sun 18th 11.00am Holy Communion**
(Celebrant: Canon Neil McEndoo)
Bible Readings: Jeremiah 23: 23-29; Psalm 82;
Hebrews 11: 29 - 12: 2; Luke 12: 49-56
- Sun 25th 9.00am Holy Communion**
11.00am Morning Prayer for use on Sunday
Bible Readings: Isaiah 58: 9b-14; Psalm 103: 1-8;
Hebrews 12: 18-29; Luke 13: 10-17

SCHOOL

Nun's Cross National School re-opens on Thursday 29th August.

THE HUB

The Hub opens mornings and afternoons Monday to Saturday.
On Thursday mornings from 10.30am LET'S CRAFT! meets in The Hub.

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.

SATURDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDIES

On Saturday mornings from 9.15 to 10am in Café Latte, joint bible studies are held with Ashford Parish. These focus on the gospel readings for the following day. All welcome!

FRIENDSHIP GROUP

The next get together will be for afternoon tea on Monday 19th August in the Wicklow Methodist Hall. All welcome! Further information available from Linda Walsh: 086 8228378.

ROTAS

We need more help with cleaning and 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 these ways 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!

CLEAN UP MORNING

It is two years since the last major clean up. In order to ensure that the church continues to look well, a clean up day is planned for Saturday 31st August commencing at 10.30am. Please come along with cleaning materials, even for a short while. Refreshments will be served.

ADVANCE NOTICE – BBQ

A BBQ in aid of Wicklow Parish & Friends of St Luke's Hospital, Rathgar will be held on Sunday, September 15th at Brian O'Rorke's home, Killmullen House Moneystown, near Roundwood starting at 1 pm.
Steak, hog roast and a vegetarian option will be served, accompanied by homemade salads and desserts.
Kids of all sizes will be entertained by a selection of carnival style games, activities and a treasure hunt through the grounds. Adults can enjoy refreshments including wine.
Children and family tickets (€8/€55) will be available on the day at the gate or in advance through Brian O'Rorke 086 342 8226 .

RNLI COLLECTION

A retiring collection will be organised in support of the Royal National Lifeboat Institution (RNLI) at the back of Nun's Cross church on 4th August. Please try and support this worthy cause.

HOLIDAYS AND PASTORAL CARE

Rev Ken and Lesley will be in Rwanda from 9th to 20th August. In the event of a pastoral emergency please contact Rev Brian O'Reilly, Rector of Rathdrum and Glenealy (Rectory 0404-43814; mobile 086-223 0271).

OPEN AFTERNOONS DURING HERITAGE WEEK

Nun's Cross Church will be open to the public as part of Heritage Week on Saturday 24th August and on Sunday 25th August from 2pm to 5pm. A leaflet drop to the new housing in Ballinahinch is planned to encourage new neighbours to visit. If you can help in welcoming visitors or in providing refreshments, please contact Patricia Butler or Juliet Belton.

ADVANCE NOTICE – CAMINO DE GLENDALOUGH

The annual diocesan pilgrimage, the Glendalough Camino, will take place on Saturday September 14. The Camino has been growing from strength to strength and over 100 people joined the full pilgrimage from Hollywood to Glendalough along St Kevin's Way last year.

The pilgrimage has traditionally taken place on a Sunday but has been moved to a Saturday this year following feedback from clergy of the dioceses.

As usual pilgrims have two options. They can either undertake the full Camino route from Hollywood to Glendalough, a distance of 30 kilometres, or they can join shorter routes from the Wicklow Gap down to Glendalough, or around the monastic city itself. All participants on all the routes are invited to attend the short closing service which takes place at the stone ring fort on the shores of the Upper Lake in Glendalough at 5pm.

Those undertaking the full pilgrimage should allow six hours to complete the route. A pilgrim's blessing will be given in the ancient St Kevin's Church in Hollywood at 9am on Saturday morning after which they will set out. A bus will be provided to bring people back to Hollywood. Those wishing to avail of this bus service must register and provide contact details before departing.

Pilgrims planning to walk from the Wicklow Gap or around Glendalough may depart from St John's Church in Laragh which acts as a hub for the Camino throughout the day. Parking will be available locally and there will be a bus to bring people to the Wicklow Gap or the Monastic City at regular intervals throughout the day.

A full timetable will be available on the diocesan website at www.dublin.anglican.org/about-us/camino-de-glendalough nearer the time. Updates will also be available on Facebook at www.facebook.com/DublinandGlendalough

ECO TIPS – REDUCING CARBON FOOTPRINT

Alaska, that bastion of ice and coolness, is currently sweltering, with higher temperatures than most residents there have ever experienced. Vast areas of the country's forests are ablaze. Ironically, other areas are threatened with flooding as so much snow has melted in the elevated temperatures. Nearer home, this summer many parts of mainland Europe have endured their hottest temperatures ever on record, in excess of 40°C, causing normal activities to be curtailed, e.g. schools were closed. Ireland has been warned that our temperatures could increase nearly as high in future summers, a terrifying thought. Torrential rain is also likely, as has occurred in the UK recently, wreaking local havoc. The time to act is NOW. How? REDUCE our use of earth's resources in EVERY aspect of our lives. People wrongly think Ireland cannot have much impact in world affairs: Ireland introduced paying for plastic bags in supermarkets (an immediate reduction in their use resulted) and later banned smoking in public places: both of these actions were subsequently adopted by other countries. If we set the trend for reducing our carbon footprint, other countries will

take note. Each of us can and must play our part by examining our lifestyle and devising ways to reduce our environmental impact.

PRAYER POINTS

Please pray for:

- *The Archbishop and clergy of the United Dioceses of Dublin & Glendalough
- * The continuing expansion of the Christian church in Africa, Asia and South America
- * The witness of our church and church members in our local community
- * Constructive discussions between the EU, Ireland and UK concerning BREXIT
- * Children commencing national and secondary schools
- * Awareness and conscious examination of our lifestyles and their environmental impact
- * All involved in care ministries, including hospital staff and social workers

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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