

### **CLEANING AND FLOWER ROTAS**

We need more help with cleaning the church and arranging flowers for the church. 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. Please sign up if you can!

### **PRAYER POINTS**

Please pray for:

- \* A good choice for the part time administrator position
- \* Friends and neighbours and relationships in daily life and work
- \* Those who are estranged or who feel unloved
- \* All ministries of care—physical, mental and spiritual
- \* Those who are candidates for confirmation that they may be blessed through the classes and church attendance
- \* The youth work of the parish
- \* Growth in understanding and practice of the Christian message
- \* The ability to show responsibility to our environment

Please also remember and give thanks for the faithful departed

### **SPRINGTIME PRAYER**

For flowers that bloom about our feet,  
For tender grass, so fresh, so sweet,  
For song of bird, and hum of bee,  
For all things fair we hear or see,  
Father in heaven, we thank Thee!

For blue of stream and blue of sky,  
For pleasant shade of branches high,  
For fragrant air and cooling breeze,  
For beauty of the blooming trees,  
Father in heaven, we thank Thee!

*Ralph Waldo Emerson*

### **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>

### **CLERGY CONTACT DETAILS**

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## **Killiskey Parish**

### **February 2017**



## **Announcements**

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**JESUS SAID: 'COME TO ME, ALL WHO ARE WEARY AND BURDENED, AND I WILL GIVE YOU REST' (Matthew 11 : 28)**

### **CHURCH SERVICES**

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| <b>Sun</b>   | <b>5th</b>  | <b>11.00am</b> | <b>Gospel Eucharist</b><br><i>with the Unity Gospel Choir</i> |
| <b>Bible Readings: Isaiah 58: 1-9a; Psalm 112;</b><br><b>1 Corinthians 2: 1-12; Matthew 5: 13-20</b>             |             |                |   |
| <b>Fri</b>   | <b>10th</b> | <b>10.00am</b> | <b>Nun's Cross School Service</b><br><i>All welcome!</i>      |
| <b>Sun</b>   | <b>12th</b> | <b>08.00am</b> | <b>Holy Communion</b>   |
|  |             | <b>11.00am</b> | <b>Morning Prayer</b>   |
| <b>Bible Readings: Deuteronomy 30: 15-20; Psalm 119: 1-8;</b><br><b>1 Corinthians 3: 1-9; Matthew 5: 21-37</b>   |             |                |   |
| <b>Sun</b>   | <b>19th</b> | <b>11.00am</b> | <b>Holy Communion</b>   |
| <b>Bible Readings: Isaiah 49: 8-16a; Psalm 131;</b><br><b>1 Corinthians 4: 1-5; Matthew 6: 24-34</b>             |             |                |   |
| <b>Sun</b>   | <b>26th</b> | <b>08.00am</b> | <b>Holy Communion</b>   |
|  |             | <b>11.00am</b> | <b>All Age Service</b>  |
| <b>Bible Readings: Deuteronomy 11: 18-21, 26-28; Psalm 31: 1-5;</b><br><b>Romans 3: 22b-28; Matthew 7: 21-29</b> |             |                |   |

### ***YOUTH ACTIVITIES***

The Teenage Youth Club will meet on Sunday 5th February in East Glendalough School from 6.30-8.00pm. New members and guests always welcome!

United Youth (4th-6th class) will meet on Saturday 11th February in East Glendalough from 6-7.30pm.

### ***CONFIRMATION***

Confirmation classes will be held each Friday at 3.30pm, alternating between the Glebe School and Nun's Cross School.

### ***JOINT ACTIVITIES WITH ASHFORD PARISH***

Holy Rosary Church, Ashford, celebrates its centenary in 2017. It therefore seems appropriate to hold some joint events during the Nun's Cross bicentenary year.

During Lent a joint bible study will be held in houses on five Monday evenings, commencing on 6th March. Wicklow & Killiskey and Ashford & Glenealy parishioners are being invited to attend. The first evening will take place in Ken and Lesley's house at 'Shancarrig', Cronroe. The group plans to use a course entitled "Pilgrimage" written by Rev Ken Rue. This course gives details about various biblical sites in the Holy Land and links bible readings to these. There are opening and closing prayers and reflections on the readings plus points for group discussion.

On Sunday 28th May Fr Kieran O'Mahony, an Augustinian and ecumenical canon of St Patrick's Cathedral and a well-known biblical scholar, will join both parishes for a walk from the old Killiskey church to Nun's Cross and on to Ashford church. Remembering the 500th anniversary of the reformation, the theme will be 1517-1817-1917-2017. More details will follow.

### ***ALPHA COURSE***

An Alpha course will begin in Wicklow in March. Alpha is a series of sessions exploring the Christian faith. Each talk looks at a different question around faith and is designed to create conversation. If you are already comfortable in your faith, Alpha may enlighten you in your journey with God. If you are unsure or have questions or doubts, Alpha may help you find answers. If you know someone who doesn't believe at all, they may find more about what Christianity really is. Everyone is welcome! If you are interested, please let Rev Jack know.

### ***WE'RE HIRING!***

Wicklow & Killiskey Parishes are looking for a part time administrator to help with church communication, event marketing, management of records and financial record keeping. Flexible working hours up to 14 per week. Rate of pay circa €10.50 per hour. To find out more and requests a job description, please email Rev Jack Kinkead at revjackkinkead@gmail.com by the 6th of February.

### ***TEA/COFFEE MONEY***

Most Sundays there is an opportunity to socialise after church while sipping a cup of tea and coffee or a glass of juice. Many thanks to Dan, Jane and Lesley for organising this and to those who assist them from time to time.

Donations are requested towards costs. Apart from paying for the drinks and biscuits, the monies raised have paid for a large water urn and flask as well as mince pies and mulled wine. Thanks to all our donors!

### ***ASHFORD COUNTRY FAIR***

The Country Fair committee is in full swing. This event takes place on the May Bank Holiday Monday but you can start preparing by, for example, planting seeds now. If you can help in this or any other way with this important fund-raiser, please contact Bernadette Glover, Amanda Mooney or Lesley Rue.

### ***REGULAR WEEKDAY DIARY***

The Unity Gospel Choir now meets for rehearsals in Nun's Cross church on Mondays at the later time of 8.00pm. New members welcome!

The Hub is open Tuesday to Friday mornings from 10am to 1.30pm and on Saturdays from 11am to 3pm (subject to availability of volunteers). Lesley Rue would be interested in hearing from any new potential volunteers. On Thursday mornings from 10.30am LET'S CRAFT! meets in The Hub.

Friday Club, which caters for young children aged 2 to 6 years old, is held from 2.00pm to 2.45pm during term time.

### ***ECO TIPS—TRAVEL***

It is that time of year when many people plan a holiday in the sun and maybe a week-end or two away in between. Could you try an Irish break instead (with the added bonus of helping the Irish economy), either for a week-end or your main holiday? Try reducing the number of flights you book per year: thus, if you fly ten times, try cutting down to eight (assuming return journey = 2 flights). That is an immediate reduction of 20%. Look at your air miles and see how easily you could cut down.