

Killiskey Parish

March 2019



Announcements

Date of Issue: 24th February 2019

The sacrifice acceptable to God is a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, o God, you will not despise (Psalm 51: 17)

CHURCH SERVICES

- Sun 3rd 11.00am Holy Communion**
Bible Readings: Exodus 34: 29-35; Psalm 99;
2 Corinthians 3: 12 - 4: 2; Luke 9: 28-36
- Wed 6th 07.30pm Ash Wednesday Holy Communion**
A joint Wicklow & Killiskey service in Nun's Cross
Bible Readings: Isaiah 58: 1-12; Psalm 51: 1-18;
2 Corinthians 5: 20b — 6:10;
Matthew 6: 1-6, 16-21
- Fri 8th 10.00am Nun's Cross School Service**
All welcome!
- Sun 10th 09.00am Holy Communion**
11.00am Morning Prayer
Bible Readings: Deuteronomy 26: 1-11; Psalm: 1-2, 9-16;
Romans 10: 8b-13; Luke 4: 1-13
- Sun 17th 11.00am Holy Communion/ Comaoineach Naofa**
In celebration of St Patrick's Day/Lá Fhéile Pádraig, the service will be conducted bilingually, as Béarla agus as Gaeilge.
Bible Readings: Deuteronomy 32: 1-9; Psalm 145: 1-13;
2 Corinthians 4: 1-12; John 4: 31-38
- Sun 24th 09.00am Holy Communion**
11.00am Family Service
Bible Readings: Isaiah 55: 1-9; Psalm 63: 1-9;
1 Corinthians 10: 1-13; Luke 13: 1-9

Sun 31st 10.00am Joint Parishes Service (in Wicklow)
Bible Readings: Exodus 2: 1-10; Psalm 34: 11-20;
(Mothering Sunday) 2 Corinthians 1: 3-7; Luke 2: 33-35

ASHFORD TIDY TOWNS

A donation of two benches has been made to Ashford Tidy Towns from the proceeds of last year's Ashford Country Fair. They were recently erected on the bridge in the village and look out over the river.

The Ashford Tidy Towns Annual General Meeting takes place in Ashford Community & Heritage Centre on Tuesday 26th February commencing at 8.30pm. All are welcome! New volunteers are always needed.

NATIONAL SPRING CLEAN

April sees the return of An Taisce's National Spring Clean. People can organise a clean up in their local area, be it urban or rural, by contacting nsc@antaisce.org or logging on to www.nationalspringclean.org. Participants will be supplied with rubbish bags (which will be collected), litter picks and hi-vis vests. Alternatively, there is a "2 minute street clean", where people are invited to spend about two minutes picking up litter any time they are out, information available on www.2minutesstreetclean.org. Both initiatives really do make a difference to your locality – isn't it uplifting to see clean stretches of rural roadside verge, bedecked with wild flowers rather than discarded wrappers, coffee cups, bottles etc. and nice clean streets in urban areas. Rubbish begets rubbish while people may, just may, hesitate to throw litter in clean areas. Why not take the opportunity to encourage friends, family and neighbours to get involved – also, litter picking with other people can be a rewarding community activity. Furthermore, the spring clean might inspire some of you to help with either the Tidy Towns or Wicklow Pure Mile year-round litter picking schemes. The results are well worth the effort.

LEADING PRAYERS IN NUN'S CROSS

Would you be interested in leading prayers from time to time in Nun's Cross church? You could start by reading prayers from the Book of Common Prayer or another suitable prayer book or material produced by local clergy. Alternatively, you could write your own prayers and receive suitable instruction, as required. If you are interested, please contact Rev Ken.

UNITY GOSPEL CHOIR

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

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

World Day of Prayer is a global ecumenical movement led by Christian women who welcome you to join in prayer and action for peace and justice. The Nun's Cross NS service on Friday 8th at 10am will concentrate on the theme, 'Come Everything is Ready', provided by the World Day of Prayer. That evening at 7.30pm adults are invited to the local gathering which takes place in St Patrick's Church in Wicklow Town.

MOTHERS' UNION

The Mothers' Union area service will be held in Arklow on Tuesday 12th March at 8pm. The speaker is Rev Kevin Conroy.

ASHFORD COUNTRY FAIR

Ashford Country Fair is Killiskey Parish's main fund-raising activity and takes place in the grounds of the Bel-Air Hotel on Bank Holiday Monday 6th May. To advertise this event, a float will be entered in the St Patrick's Day parade in Wicklow Town. If you can help with the float or are available to assist at the Fair, please contact Bernadette Glover, Amanda Mooney or Lesley Rue.

THE HUB

The Hub opens mornings and afternoons Monday to Saturday. Unwanted Christmas gifts are welcome!

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

DAFFODIL DAY

There will be a Coffee Morning in aid of the Irish Cancer Society's 'Daffodil Day', in The Hub on Friday 22nd March from 9.30am to 1.30pm. Offers of food gratefully accepted. Please come and support!

CHURCH MUSIC

The next session of Church Music Dublin is planned for 23rd March in Christ Church Cathedral, Dublin, when Ian Keatley, cathedral director of music, will lead a workshop on Anglican chant. Organists, singers and members of congregations are welcome.

Rev Jack Kinhead has been appointed chairperson of Church Music Dublin by the Archbishop in succession to Archdeacon Ricky Rountree.

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.

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!

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.

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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