

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.

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

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: wicklolandkilliskeycoi@outlook.com

WEBSITE

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

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>

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Killiskey Parish

September 2019



Announcements

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**"SEEK THE LORD WHILE HE MAY BE FOUND.
CALL UPON HIM WHILE HE IS NEAR" (Isaiah 55: 6).**

CHURCH SERVICES

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| Sun 1st | 11.00am Holy Communion
Bible Readings: Ecclesiasticus 10: 12-18; Psalm 112;
Hebrews 13: 1-8, 15-16; Luke 14: 1, 7-14 |
| Sun 8th | 09.00am Holy Communion
11.00am Animal Blessing Service
Bible Readings: Deuteronomy 30: 15-20; Psalm 1;
Philemon 1-21; Luke 14: 25-33 |
| Fri 13th | Nun's Cross School Service
<i>All welcome!</i> |
| Sun 15th | 11.00am Holy Communion
Bible Readings: Exodus 32: 7-14; Psalm 51: 1-11;
1 Timothy 1: 12-17; Luke 15: 1-10 |
| Sun 22nd | 09.00am Holy Communion
11.00am Morning Prayer for use on Sunday
Bible Readings: Amos 8: 4-7; Psalm 113;
1 Timothy 2: 1-7; Luke 16: 1-13
05.00pm Family Service |
| Sun 29th | 10.00am Joint Harvest Service (in Wicklow)
Bible Readings: Amos 6: 1a, 4-7; Psalm 146;
1 Timothy 6: 6-19; Luke 16: 19-31 |

ANIMAL SERVICE

This year's animal blessing service takes place on Sunday 8th September. How grateful we should be to God for our working animals and for the pets who are so good for our physical and mental well-being. This is an opportunity to express our thanks and enjoy the company of four legged friends.

HARVEST

The joint Wicklow & Killiskey Harvest Service takes place in Wicklow church on Sunday 29th September at 10am.

FRIENDSHIP GROUP

The next get together will be for afternoon tea on Monday 16th September at 3pm in the Wicklow Methodist Hall. All welcome! Further information available from Linda Walsh: 086 8228378.

COFFEE MORNING

The Hub will be a venue for "Ireland's Biggest Coffee Morning" in aid of Wicklow Hospice on Thursday 19th September from 9.30am to 1.30pm. Any donations of cakes, scones or similar would be gratefully received. Please come along and support if at all possible!

THE HUB

Our Tús Scheme assistant, Toni MacAulay, who was working in Ashford Gift & Book Shop, has finished her year's work. We are grateful for her help.

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

CULTURE NIGHT

Alchemy is staging a free family-friendly concert in Nun's Cross church on Friday 20th September.

GIRLS' BRIGADE

Girls' Brigade starts back on Saturday 21st September. New members welcome! For further details, please contact Lesley Shepherd (087-9646763) or Amanda Spencer (087-6792243).

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!

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!

ECO TIPS — BEEF CONUNDRUM

Recently, many have called for a 50% reduction in the Irish beef herd, to reduce our national CO2 output. People are being asked to reduce their meat consumption, to reap both health and environmental benefits. However, beef farmers would need time to change to growing crops (although not all land is suitable for this). Consumers would need to embrace the consumption of more beans and lentils, nuts etc., especially so for vegans. While many types of beans grow well in our climate, many of the current "trendy" superfoods (that our modern more sophisticated palates enjoy) most certainly do not. Some are imported from Europe, but many come from countries that now earn so much from exporting to "rich" western regions that local indigenous people are deprived of their once traditional foods on which they relied. Two particularly problematic foods include quinoa and avocados, where social and environmental havoc is playing out in some areas of S America as a result of mass growing and exporting. Beef farmers may be an easy target, but the alternatives are not so simplistic or environmentally sustainable. Flying food around the world creates its own carbon footprint. A more sustainable approach is to buy as much locally grown food as possible.

WICKLOW PARISH 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.

UNITY GOSPEL CHOIR

The Unity Gospel Choir recommences in September. It meets for rehearsals in Nun's Cross church on Mondays at 8pm.