

SYNODS

The General Synod will take place online on 30th September, 1st and 2nd October. Revd Jack, Revd Ken and Scott Golden are members.

The Diocesan Synods are also happening online on Wednesday 6th October. The Wicklow parish lay representatives will be Lynn Glanville, Penny Phillips and Jonathon Patton and the Killiskey parish lay representatives will be Scott Golden and Sally Smith. They will be joined by Rev Jack and Rev Ken.

Please remember these important decision-making meetings in your prayers.

ALL SAINTS by Christina Rossetti

As grains of sand, as stars, as drops of dew,
Numbered and treasured by the Almighty Hand,
The Saints triumphant throng that holy land
Where all things and Jerusalem are new.
We know not half they sing or half they do.
But this we know, they rest and understand;
While like a conflagration freshly fanned
Their love glows upward, outward, thro' and thro'.
Lo! Like a stream of incense launched on flame
Fresh Saints stream up from death to life above,
To shine among those others and rejoice:
What matters tribulation whence they came?
All love and only love can find a voice
Where God makes glad His Saints, for God is love.

WEBSITE

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

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>

YOUTUBE

The parish YouTube channel is situated at :
https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCpQzU9Ldt_uxDIUZt7Mv3gQ

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Killiskey Parish

October 2021



Announcements

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"THE EARTH IS THE LORD'S AND ALL THAT IS IN IT"
(PSALM 24: 1)

CHURCH SERVICES

- Sun 3rd 11.00am Harvest Thanksgiving Service**
Preacher; Revd Alexander Chisnall
Bible Readings: Joel 2: 21-27; Psalm 126
1 Timothy 2: 1-7; Matthew 6: 25-33
- Sun 10th 11.00am Morning Prayer 2**
Bible Readings: Amos 5: 6-7, 10-15; Psalm 90: 12-17;
Hebrews 4: 12-16; Mark 10: 17-31
- Sun 17th 11.00am Holy Communion**
Bible Readings: Isaiah 53: 4-12; Psalm 91: 9-16;
Hebrews 5: 1-10; Mark 10: 35-45
05.00pm Memorial Service—John Lankester
- Sun 24th 11.00am Morning Prayer for use on Sunday**
Bible Readings: Jeremiah 31: 7-9; Psalm 126;
Hebrews 7: 23-28; Mark 10: 46-52
- Sun 31st 11.00am All Saint's Remembrance Service**
Bible Readings: Psalm 15; 84; 149;
Isaiah 65: 17-25; Luke 9: 18-27

This service includes the remembrance of past loved ones. There will be a form available on Sunday 24th October on which the names of relatives and friends you would like mentioned may be listed. It is a wonderful thing to give thanks to God for those whose lives have blessed us.

There will also be online Evening Prayer services on Wednesday evenings (6th, 13th, 20th and 27th) at 7.30pm.

HARVEST THANKSGIVING SERVICE

Help is requested to decorate the church on Saturday 3rd October at 11am in preparation for the harvest service the following day.

Please bring fruit and vegetables for display. After the service these will be donated to the Tiglin Residential Rehabilitation Centre.

The preacher at our service will be our Intern Deacon, Revd Alexander Chisnall.

JOHN LANKESTER MEMORIAL SERVICE

John Lankester was a man of deep faith and a man of action. A member of the Killiskey Select Vestry for many years, he took a great interest in the maintenance of the church building and graveyard. In recognition of the wide esteem in which he was held, a memorial service will take place in Nun's Cross church on Sunday 17th October at 5pm.

ROLAND EVANS

Roland Evans was an exceptional teacher who taught in Nun's Cross school for many years. He had a great ability to inspire and feed the imagination of children. He was like a pied piper when children were around. Sadly, he had to retire early when he contracted Motor Neuron Disease. However, he had an indomitable spirit and made a number of return visits to see how the school was developing. Years after his retirement, parents of his pupils spoke of him with great affection. He was cared for by his loving wife, Annette, until she died from cancer after a long illness bravely borne. He died suddenly on 11th September 2021. Our thoughts and prayers are with his son Peter, daughter Rebecca and his other family members at this sad time.

LIFTING RESTRICTIONS

We await firm guidance from the Diocesan Office on the lifting of restrictions. At the time of writing, it seems possible that after 22nd October we will re-commence the singing of hymns, the use of prayer and hymn books. Confirmation services are now possible and Wicklow & Killiskey awaits a date. Christmas services may continue to be organised as they were last year with online booking to allow for restricted numbers.

THE HUB

Thanks to the efforts of the wonderful band of volunteers and of the Tús worker, The Hub has never been busier. If you have not visited recently, please do drop in and see the wide range of clothes, gifts and books on display.

FRIENDSHIP GROUP

The next get together will be for afternoon tea on Monday 21st October at 3pm in the Wicklow Methodist Hall. All welcome! Further information available from Linda Walsh: 086 8228378.

ASHFORD CHRISTMAS MARKET

Ashford Christmas Market is in the course of being planned for the afternoon of Saturday 4th December by the parish. It is expected to take place in Ashford Community and Heritage Centre. It will consist of various stalls, including a cake stall, and the provision of teas, coffees and tray-bakes. If you can help by baking cakes and making tray bakes, that would be much appreciated.

A joint Raffle is being planned with Ashford Parish with excellent prizes n offer.

Killiskey Parish finances have been seriously impacted by the lack of the Ashford Country Fair in 2020 and 2021. Your support for this fund-raising activity would be much appreciated.

CELEBRATING NATURE AND THE GREAT OUTDOORS

We've all enjoyed an exceptionally warm September, ensuring we could spend more time outdoors, with all the health benefits that bestows. Few could fail to have noticed how spectacular and prolific the bright red rowan berries are this year, brightening up parklands, gardens and rural areas alike. Taking time to appreciate autumnal colours, from wonderful floral displays to the gradually changing hues of trees is such a joy. And how bounteous the blackberries have been! Larder shelves are heavy with pots of blackberry jams and jellies, while many happy folk have dined on good, old-fashioned and totally delicious apple and blackberry crumble. As October beckons and air temperatures fall (and rain returns!), hopefully we will still all manage to get out and enjoy nature's beauty. Whether one likes slow rambles or vigorous walks, gentle cycle rides or fast, head-down bike races, the great outdoors has so much to offer. And on our doorstep in Wicklow we are blessed with such a rich variety of habitats - mountains, lowlands, woods, seashore: something to suit us all. Enjoy!

ECO-CONGREGATION IRELAND

We send our congratulations to Whitechurch Parish and Canon Horace McKinley who have received the Eco-Congregation's Gold Award. Killiskey Parish played a small part in this as Whitechurch needed to demonstrate that it was mentoring another parish and Killiskey was delighted to receive advice from that source. Stella Mew and Revd Ken Rue were pleased to attend and play minor roles in the Award Ceremony on 13th September.

As part of the plan to become an accredited Eco Congregation, the Select Vestry has decided to proceed with a wildflower garden. The siting of this has yet to be determined.

ADVANCE NOTICE — REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

This year's Remembrance Sunday service will be held on 14th November. There will be an Act of Remembrance and an opportunity to support the Poppy Appeal.