

# PARISH LINK

## November



### Reminders....

- Down time Thursday will be 28<sup>th</sup> November 7pm -8pm
- Date for the diary-annual remembrance mass is Sunday the 17<sup>th</sup> of November (St Mochonog's and St Mary's )
- The Living room next meet (With St Patricks Powerscourt) on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> November in St Patricks (This coming Wednesday)
- We need new readers. Please give you name to Phil or to the parish office if interested
- Remember St Laurence O Toole 14<sup>th</sup> November and St Cecelia 22<sup>nd</sup> November
- Share Appeal Sunday is 10<sup>th</sup> November highlighting the important work that is funded by the weekly collection

### In November we remember.....

#### November.....2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup>

St Kevin's 9 am : Madge Quinn (A)  
 St Mary's 6pm: Marie Hannon (A) Carol Rafferty (A) Prayers for Carol's parent's Dick and Maureen Rafferty (RIP) Neill Gleeson (4thA)  
 St Mary's 11 am: Wesley Acres (A)  
 St Mochonog's 10am: Lily Salter (A) Tom and Magaret Redden (A)

#### 9<sup>th</sup> /10<sup>th</sup>

St Patrick's 10am: John Feeny (40<sup>th</sup> A) Tom O Gorman (A) Danny O Gorman (A)  
 St Mochanog's 10am: Patricia Mary Maguire (A) William and Margaret Saunders (A)  
 St Mary's 11 am: Pascal Hackett (A)  
 16<sup>th</sup> /17<sup>th</sup>  
 St Mary's 6 pm ; Liam Ryder(1<sup>st</sup> A)

23<sup>rd</sup>/24<sup>th</sup> St Mochanog's 10am: Kathleen Bradshaw(A) Eileen O Farrell (A)

#### December.....

7<sup>th</sup> /8<sup>th</sup>  
 St Mary's 6 pm: Kieran Darcy ( 6<sup>th</sup> A)

#### 14<sup>th</sup> /15<sup>th</sup>

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### Meditation

Note from Christian Meditation Ireland: Fr Donagh O'Shea will lead a morning of meditation and reflection on Saturday, 09 November 2024 from 10:00 a.m to 1:00 p.m. at Balally Parish Centre (Eircode D16 E032). Donagh will speak to the theme '*Meditation: Falling Awake*'. All are welcome, no previous experience necessary. See [www.christianmeditationireland.ie](http://www.christianmeditationireland.ie)



### Archbishop Dermot Farrell – Safe Guarding

September 21 – 6pm Vigil Mass at St Mary's Pro-Cathedral, Dublin

- The ordinary faithful of our land have named the abuse crisis for what it is: *an open wound*.
- Until the abuse crisis is fully addressed, there will be no authentic, enduring renewal and reform of our Church.
- It is vital that we come to recognise the dynamics of denial, and address them.
- Until we truly own what has happened, the necessary change of heart will remain on the surface—and a superficial 'change of heart' is no change of heart.
- Accountability worthy of its name cannot be mere lip service. Apparent accountability is not only offensive, it is a lie, and a lie which compounds the denials of the past, and intensifies the pain of survivors.
- If we are ever to move beyond episodic progress in the face of abuse, Irish society—all of us in all our different traditions and layers—will have to come to terms with the legacy of our complex history.

The seriousness with which we—all of us in the Church, all the baptised—address the abuse crisis is a real measure of the depth of our faith, and of our commitment to true justice, and to renewal in our Church. As last Sunday's reading from the Letter of Saint James so clearly put it: we show to each other that we have faith by what we do (see James 2:14–18), and in today's Second Reading, "Peacemakers, when they work for peace, sow the seeds which will bear fruit in justice." (James 3:18) Faith and justice go hand in hand. True justice and *enduring* renewal go hand-in-hand. There is no other way. We fool ourselves if we think there is.

### For The Month that's in it!

#### On the Death of the Beloved by John O'Donohue

(Excerpt)

Let us not look for you only in memory,  
 Where we would grow lonely without you.  
 You would want us to find you in presence,  
 Beside us when beauty brightens,  
 When kindness glows  
 And music echoes eternal tones.

When orchids brighten the earth,  
 Darkest winter has turned to spring;  
 May this dark grief flower with hope  
 In every heart that loves you.

May you continue to inspire us:

To enter each day with a generous heart.  
 To serve the call of courage and love  
 Until we see your beautiful face again  
 In that land where there is no more separation,  
 Where all tears will be wiped from our mind,  
 And where we will never lose you again.

## Prayer to St Laurence O Toole



St. Laurence O'Toole, man of peace, you were in the middle of family and political conflict from your earliest days. Give the gift of peace and hope to all who experience the trauma of division in families, in communities and among nations.

St. Laurence O'Toole, man of prayer, you recognised the call to serve the Lord in a particular way at Glendalough. Give the gift of perseverance to all who are discerning their Christian vocation at this time.

St. Laurence O'Toole, man of faith, you had the openness to accept a position of leadership in your community at an early age. Bless our young people with a spirit of generosity to offer themselves in the service of the Gospel.

St. Laurence O'Toole, man of prayer, you inspired people by your commitment to the spiritual life and the recitation of the Prayer of the Church. Fill us with that desire to pray in communion with each other throughout each day.

St. Laurence O'Toole, man of faith, you opened your heart and your doors to those who were poor. Increase our awareness of those in need and inspire us to act with justice and charity at all times.

St. Laurence O'Toole, man of prayer, you were respected for your commitment to your Church and to your country. Grant us the grace to live in this world while always reflecting the eternal values of the kingdom.

St. Laurence O'Toole, man of peace, you gave your last ounce of energy in the cause of peace. Give us the gift of tirelessness as we try to live as instruments of Christ's peace, love and tolerance.

## Cleaners Please!



We are looking for volunteers every second Monday for 1 hour to clean St Mary's church. The more we have, the fewer number of times you will be called. Please Contact the parish office or Phil Kenna. Thank you. Please consider!

## Next gathering of the whole parish community

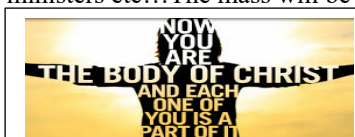
On the 8<sup>th</sup> of September we had a joint celebration of the Eucharist for all 4 communities, Glencree, Curtlestown, Kilmacanogue and Enniskerry. It was a special occasion for the parish with a lot of positive feedback afterwards.

We have been asked when the next one will take place and the decision has been made to do it all again on

There will only be **one mass** celebrated that weekend in the parish, **11 am in St Mary's on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of March** (First Sunday of March) **There will be no other mass that weeknd**

Our hope is that each community will play its part in the liturgy, through song, reading, providing ministers etc...The mass will be concelebrated.

**Put the date in your diary!**



## News From Kilmacanogue

History Society's next Talk is about "Tales from a Wicklow Tea Room: McGuirk's Tea Room at Lough Bray."- near Glencree. Expect a fascinating Talk by Michael Fewer Architect, Author, Historian, Columnist and Contributor to a considerable number of television and radio programmes. He uncovered the Visitor's Books from the Tea Rooms containing over 13,000 signatures and guess what?- they are a virtual "Who's Who?" from that era, many with their own story to tell.



## Old Graveyard Kilmacanogue

Wicklow County Council is co-ordinating the preparation of a conservation plan for Kilmacanogue Church Ruins and hope to be in a position to undertake repair works to this structure in the future. In the meantime, it is considered prudent that access by the public is restricted until such time as remedial works can be taken to ensure the safety of visitors. The council's area engineer office visited Kilmacanogue Church Ruins recently and, having reviewed the condition of the structure took the decision to lock the entrance gate to restrict public access on health and safety grounds.

A notice to this effect has been placed at the entrance.



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Special Guests: Scoil Chualann (Children's Choir Bray)

## November Memorial Mass

This will takesplace **Sunday, 17th November at 11.00am** in St. Mary's and 10am in St Mochonog's. During the month of November, we have a Memory Board at the Altar with photos displayed of those who died during the year. Please drop a photo of your loved one to the sacristy or parish office if you would like it put on our memorial display board during November. We will remember all who have died, of course so please join us if you can. There will be refreshments afterwards.

