

# **September 2017 Announcements**



We hope everyone had a great summer!

Many of the Churches clubs are starting back so have a read and see can you come along and support!

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2<sup>nd</sup> September 10am East Glendalough School

A car boot sale, in East Glendalough School, on **Saturday 2nd September** from **10am – 4pm**. Gates open at **7.30am**, 10 euro per car/ 20 euro per van. Tea/coffee available. Please support this local event this September! Contact Peter Earls on 087 270 6616.

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The United Youth is a youth group for anyone in 4th-6th class. We meet on one Saturday per month, from 6-7.30pm, in East Glendalough School. There is a €5 charge, to cover costs. There are 2 outings per year - at Christmas and the end of term. Most time is spent playing games or sports, doing craft, and learning important moral lessons for life. United Youth starts back on **Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> September, at 6pm**, in East Glendalough. For more information, contact Jack.



# Teen Youth Group

The teen youth group is for anyone in Secondary School. We meet on 2 Sundays per month (1st and 3rd Sunday), from 6.30-8pm. There are also occasional outings. Most time is spent learning more about how we can relate to God, and bring that relationship to enhance our daily life. The main focus is to build community, and encourage young people in faith, and confidence in themselves. The first meeting of this year is on **Sunday 3rd September at 6.30pm**, in East Glendalough. For more information, contact Jack.



# **Back To Church**

There will be a Back to Church family service on **Sunday 10th September**, at the **10am** service. Please make a special effort to attend church on that day, as we kick off another new term!





# 3rd September 9.55am - The Glebe National School

What is it?
A club for primary age children, featuring games, drama, stories, group work and fun!
Where is it?
The Glebe National School
When is it?
The first and third Sunday of each month, from September to June.

Sunday Club is beginning again for a new term. We meet on the first and third Sunday of each month, in the Glebe School, during the 10am service.

The aims of Sunday Club are:

- To guide children in their own discipleship and relationship with Jesus
- To encourage conversation and questions about faith
- To facilitate children in discovering their own place in our community
- To further equip children to live out their faith daily
- To have fun =)

The first meeting of Sunday Club is on this **Sunday, 3rd September, at 09.55am**. Please go straight to the Glebe School! Junior Infants to Second Class will meet in the Fifth Class classroom. Third Class to Sixth Class will meet in the Sixth Class classroom. Look forward to seeing you then!





# What is it?

A club for girls aged 3 plus. We teach modern/hip dance, skipping, singing, musical theatre, choir, arts & crafts, scripture, games, outings and much more!

# Where is it?

East Glendalough School

## When is it?

Saturday mornings from 11am- 4pm. **Registration day 16th September** in East Glendalough School from 11am-12.30pm. Full classes start on **Saturday 23rd September**.

- Class times are dependent on relevant age groups.
- Come and have a try and see how much fun it is and meet new friends.
- All for only E100 per child per year with Sibling discounts available

Contact Lesley 0879646763 or Amanda 0876792243 for more information.



Do you have a favourite hymn? Please let us know, and we will try to include it in our worship!





# Parish Land

Many of you will have seen that the Rectory Field is now for sale. The proceeds of the sale will allow the parish to renovate the Rectory, and any balance of funds can be used to do essential work to the church. The decision to sell this land has not been taken lightly, but the land is no longer of practical use to the parish, so the resources can be better used for property maintenance. For further information, please talk to Jack, Marc Devereux, Tim Austen, Trevor Minion, Philip Hastie, or John Clarke.



Harvest thanksgiving is **24th Sept at 7.30pm**. The preacher will be Fr. Donal Roche, PP in Wicklow.



### **Flower Festival**

Nun's Cross Church, Killiskey Parish in Ashford is hosting a Flower Festival weekend as part of their 200 years of worship celebrations. The Festival is open on Friday and Saturday **1st & 2nd September** from **10 am – 7 pm** and Sunday **3rd September** from **12.30pm – 6.30 pm**. Many visitors from far and wide are expected, as renowned national arrangers and members of the Parish display their floral exhibitions and creations in the enchanting surrounds of Nun's Cross Church and grounds. Admission is just €10, includes refreshments and a fantastic 2 for the price of 1 entrance to Mount Usher Gardens, Ashford village to extend the floral experience! For further information contact: Lesley 087 2810478 or Email: ncflowerfestival2017@gmail.com.

### Culture Night 2017 Alchemy Concert

Alchemy Music presents a free Culture Night celebration of music for all the family, **Friday September 22nd from 7-9pm**.

This diverse concert will feature two versatile Ashford-based artists, Mike and Marta Nielsen, performing a charming repertoire for jazz guitar and accordion. Other performers on the night will include the dynamic and energetic traditional group Perfect Friction. The concert will also provide an opportunity for the audience to participate in some music-making under the direction of highly experienced community musician, Linda Ferguson. Come along and join the fun! <u>www.alchemymusic.ie</u>





## **General Announcements**

#### **Church Services**

Sunday 3rd September 9am Holy Communion

Sunday 3rd September 10am Service of the Word. Rev Jack Kinkead

Wednesday 6th September 10.30am Holy Communion with prayers for the sick. Tea / coffee service afterwards in Church

Sunday 10th September 9am Holy Communion

Sunday 10th September 10am Back to Church Family Service. Rev Jack Kinkead

Wednesday 13th September 10.30am Holy Communion with prayers for the sick. Tea / coffee service afterwards in Church

Sunday 17th September 9am Holy Communion

Sunday 17th September 10am Morning Prayer. Rev Ken Rue

Wednesday 20th September 10.30am Holy Communion with prayers for the sick. Tea / coffee service afterwards in Church

Sunday 24th September 9am Holy Communion

Sunday 24th September 10am Holy Communion Rev JK.

**Sunday 24th September** 7.30pm Harvest thanksgiving service. Preacher: Fr. Donal Roche

#### Flower rota

Please sign the flower rota sheet in the porch of the church if you are available to help with church flowers. This isn't a big job & doesn't involve fancy arrangements (unless you want to!) but is about having some fresh flowers, in vases, in church week by week.

#### **Prayers**

We are really keen to involve more people in worship in Wicklow Parish. One way to do this is to involve people in leading the prayers of intercession at services. Would you be willing to help with this, on an occasional basis? If so, please speak to Jack. There is an information pack available, with pointers on how to lead a congregation in prayer – have a look before committing if you are interested but unsure.

#### Crèche

It is wonderful to see so many small children coming to church with their parents. We encourage all families to bring your children to church & establish a good routine from an early age. To make it easier for parents to engage in worship themselves, a crèche has started, for children of preschool age. It runs each Sunday during the main 10am service. Anyone who might like to help (even occasionally) please contact Jack.

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Wednesday 27th September 10.30 am Holy Communion with prayers for the sick. Tea / coffee service afterwards in Church

#### **Parish finance**

As each parish in the Church of Ireland is financially self-sustaining, we can only function financially through the good will of our parishioners. Any parishioners, who have not yet entered a planned contribution scheme, please speak to Philip Hastie (parish recorder) or John Clarke (hon. treasurer -0874127386). If you have parish envelopes, cash or cheques placed on the collection plate can be recorded. Alternatively, there are standing order forms available in church. If a taxpayer donates €250 or more per year (and we can trace the donations through the envelope scheme or standing order) we can claim a further 45% of the amount through the government's charity tax relief scheme. The details of any person's contributions are kept completely confidential. This income is used to maintain the ministry of a full time Rector, to maintain the beautiful church building, and to provide resources for parish activities, such as Sunday Club, Messy Church and youth clubs, as well as church services. Please consider the parish as part of your financial plan.

#### **Capital Projects**

We have been fortunate in receiving council grants to help in some of the maintenance work required for our church building. However, in order to avail of these grants, we must match the funding offered by the county council. If anyone is in a position to help with financing necessary capital works, please contact a member of the Finance Committee: John Clarke (0874127386), Jim Costello (0867701456) or Shane Fingleton (0862485045).

### **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 Sinead by email on: wicklowandkilliskeycoi@outlook.com

