



ASHFORD & GLENEALY PARISH

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

1st September 2024
Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
RCN 20016166

Gospel Reflections With Lips nor Heart? Donal Neary SJ

With some vegetables you eat the leaves and the outside. With an artichoke we get to eat the heart. It's the best bit. The best of religion is of the heart. Jesus today talks a lot about that – contrasting with lip service and hearts far from him. The people who were wondering about sincerity. They kept the law but then were intolerant of weakness in others. They missed often on people's goodness and so they talked of people who didn't wash hands, cups and God knows what else.

We say that otherwise too -
*Get to the heart of things -
a person has great heart -
put your heart into it -
their hearts are miles away.*
The 'heart' is the place of true religion.

The heart is a dangerous place. The head will try to be sensible – 'let the third world look after itself, after all they are spending on war,' but the heart will be broken by the hunger of the poorest. The head will tell you that you need sleep but your heart will get up to care for a baby or an elderly parent. So the religion of some of Jesus' time was safe – the rules were kept but was there love?

*In prayer allow God touch your hopes to love well in life.
Teach me your truth O Lord, in the sincerity of my heart.*

The heart of religion is found in the heart of God.
Kahlil Gibran writes in his book 'The Prophet':
'When you love, do not say: God is in my heart
– say rather I am in the heart of God'.



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For all enquires and bookings

	This week we remember	Next week we remember
SATURDAY 6.00pm ASHFORD	Ted Lucey; (A) Peter Scanlon (A)	Martin Doyle (A)
SUNDAY 10.30am GLENEALY	NO MASS	

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25th August 2024

ENVELOPE/ CHURCH COLLECTION - goes towards maintaining our parish - € 295
1ST COLLECTION / COMMON FUND - pays salaries of Priests of Diocese - € 480
2ND COLLECTION / SHARE FUND - goes towards Diocesan Administration - € 285
MAINTENANCE - goes towards Parish upkeep - € 60

Many thanks for your continued support.

NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS

To reflect on the readings please check
catholicireland.net / sacredspace.ie / universalis.com

First Reading : Isaiah 35:4-7

Psalm : 145:7-10

Second Reading : James 2:1-5

Gospel: Mark 7:31-37

Mass Schedule B and C.

Mass Schedule B in the event of one priest not being available.

Weekend 6/7 July // Weekend 27/28 July //Weekend 31 August/1 Sept // Week-
end 5/6 October

Ashford Vigil Mass	6.00pm	(Saturday)
Wicklow Vigil Mass	6.00pm	(Saturday)
Kilbride	9.00am	(Sunday)
Wicklow	10.30am	(Sunday)
Wicklow	12.00pm	(Sunday)
Brittas Bay	12.00pm	(Sunday)

Mass Schedule C in the event of one priest not being available.

Weekend 21/22 July // Weekend 10/11 August //Weekend 14/15 September

Wicklow Vigil Mass	6.00pm	(Saturday)
Barndarrig Vigil Mass	7.30pm	(Saturday)
Rathnew	9.00am	(Sunday)
Wicklow	10.30am	(Sunday)
Glenealy	10.30am	(Sunday)
Wicklow	12.00pm	(Sunday)



Bishop Donal Roche will celebrate Mass at 12.00 (noon) in Wicklow on Sunday, 8 September.

Refreshments will be served after Bishop Donal's Mass in the de la Salle Pastoral Centre.

Baptism in the Sr. Mantan Pastoral Area

Wicklow

First Saturday 2pm

Third Sunday 1pm

Rathnew

Fourth Saturday 2pm

Ashford

First Sunday 12 noon

Glenealy

Third Saturday 12 noon

BBK

Second Saturday 2pm

Congratulations to all couples planning their marriage



Don't forget to give 3 months notice to the parish where you live. Your local parish is responsible for organising the paperwork necessary for the Sacrament of Marriage irrespective of where the wedding will take place.



Don't forget that Masses in Wicklow can be viewed live on the pastoral area website, www.stmantan.ie Mass leaflets are available in all the churches.

Upcoming Funeral Team Training

Funeral Team training for existing funeral teams and those parishes within our partnership who wish to establish a Funeral Team will take place on **9th, 16th and 23rd October 2024**. (all three sessions to be attended)

For those who have completed the funeral team training, there will be a further **Funeral Team Leader Training**(assisting and/or conducting a funeral service) on **6th, 13th and 20th** of November 2024.(all three sessions to be attended).The venue and time will be decided once numbers of people registered has been confirmed. Please contact the parish office to express your interest in attending the training.

**Residential Retreats -
Lough Derg, Co. Donegal**

These residential retreats are designed for people who are curious and are searching for ways to explore and deepen their experience of God in a Christian context. They are structured around daily prayer with input from experienced facilitators and provide a comfortable, full-board stay on the island. For further information please visit www.loughderg.org

World Peace

We pray for peace in our hearts, in our homes, in our community and in our troubled world, especially in the Middle East and in Ukraine. We pray for those who are suffering, displaced and fearful because of war. Make us instruments of your peace and messengers of hope to those who are troubled.

Active Retirement Activities & Trips

Now with 105 members, we are one of the largest Groups in Ireland

Tuesday morning meetings 10.45am.

Walking on the Murrough Wednesdays at 11.00am

Choir will resume in September

Autumn Holiday to Sligo—9th-13th September

**** We will be closed for the month of August and resume our Tuesday morning meeting on 3rd September.**

Follow us on our facebook page: **Wicklow Active Retirement**

If you would like to join active retirement or find out more, please do feel free to ring Pauline on 087 227 6760

Your contribution to the Church is your appreciation for your parish. If you would like to become a regular contributor to the Parish, please fill in this slip and return to Parish Office or Sacristy

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