

# ASHFORD & GLENEALY PARISH

## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

21st July 2024

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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### *Gospel Reflections* **Seeking the Lost** *Donal Neary SJ*

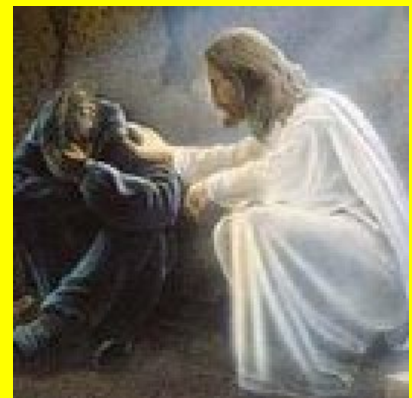
If we see someone lost, we feel we want to help. Lost people got **J**esus into action, like the shepherd and the lost sheep of the time. Not just a 9-5 and time off; he seemed in some way to know and recognise his own sheep. A personal sort of relationship where every sheep was special. **J**esus loved all the sheep, particularly the lost one. He would go looking for them with a heart of love to find them. One by one.

**H**e searched for them with compassion. This is the big word of the kingdom of **G**od. Compassion received and offered in personal knowledge. Compassion is entering into the joyful and sad world of another so that we feel with them. We may not know how exactly others feel, but we can enter into their mood and tones of life.

**W**e need to always discover the personal in **G**od and then among each other. We live in a very impersonal world if we allow it. The text and e-mail can be very official at times when we need the tone of voice and mood of the emotions. Our heart can go out and that is like the good shepherd and we are like that to others. Someone is lost – do you have a laugh at them, or can you remember you were lost too? That can get us compassionate.

**T**he challenge for us in the parish and the church, and everywhere, is to reach out to all. That's what **J**esus did and that's a big mark of the reign of **G**od on earth.

*Recall in prayer who in your family or friendship circle  
may be lost in some way. How can you help?  
Lord, may your kingdom come.*



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**For all enquires and bookings**

	<b>This week we remember</b>	<b>Next week we remember</b>
<b>SATURDAY</b> 6.00pm ASHFORD	<b>NO MASS Saturday 20th in ASHFORD CHURCH</b>	Majella Turner (MM) Anthony Mooney (A.)
<b>SUNDAY</b> 10.30am GLENEALY	Alisha Alcorn (A), Joan & Kevin O'Reilly (A), Fr. Anthony O'Reilly (A), Deceased Members of the O'Reilly Family, Jack & Dorothy O'Neill (A)	<b>NO MASS</b>

## **ASHFORD & GLENEALY PARISH**

### **14th July 2024**

<b>ENVELOPE/ CHURCH COLLECTION</b>	- goes towards maintaining our parish	- € 345
<b>1ST COLLECTION / COMMON FUND</b>	- pays salaries of Priests of Diocese	- € 410
<b>2ND COLLECTION / SHARE FUND</b>	- goes towards Diocesan Administration	- € 375
<b>MAINTENANCE</b>	- goes towards Parish upkeep	- €105

*Many thanks for your continued support.*

## **NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS**

To reflect on the readings please check  
[catholicireland.net](http://catholicireland.net) / [sacredspace.ie](http://sacredspace.ie) / [universalis.com](http://universalis.com)

**First Reading : 2 Kings 4:42:44**

**Psalm : 144:10-11,15-18**

**Second Reading : Ephesians 4:1-6**

### **ASHFORD COMMUNITY GROUP**

Providing support & a social outlet for older people

**DRAW RESULTS June 2024**

Thank you for your ongoing support

		<b>Winner</b>	<b>Seller</b>
<b>1st</b>	<b>€300</b>	<b>Brian Byrne</b>	<b>Phyllis Armstrong</b>
<b>2nd</b>	<b>€150</b>	<b>Andrew Healy</b>	<b>Ann Lyons</b>
<b>3rd</b>	<b>€100</b>	<b>Sean Howley</b>	<b>Billy Crean</b>
<b>4th</b>	<b>€50</b>	<b>Aaron Nugent</b>	<b>Ann Byrne</b>

## **BLESSINGS OF THE GRAVES 2024**

**Glenealy Cemetery: Saturday 20th July at 3.00pm**

**Killoughter Cemetery: Tuesday 23rd July at 7.30pm**



**PLEASE TAKE NOTE OF THE CHANGES IN MASS TIMES  
FOR NEXT WEEKEND (27/28 July)**

**BARNDARRIG - NO VIGIL MASS ON SATURDAY 27TH JULY**  
**RATHNEW - NO 9.00AM MASS ON SUNDAY 28TH JULY**  
**GLENEALY - NO 10.00 AM MASS ON SUNDAY 27TH JULY**

**Mass will be available in the following Churches at the following times:**

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)

**WICKLOW COPD GROUP**

**COPD Exercise class to help improve your breathing every Monday in the De La Salle Pastoral Centre.**

**Fully qualified Instructors**

**Further information from**

**Margaret Geary on 086 0700 758**

*In July, we pray with Pope Francis that the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick may grant the Lord's strength to those who receive it and to their loved ones, and that it may become for everyone an ever more visible sign of compassion and hope.*



**Any parents who wish to have a child baptised are asked to attend an introductory meeting before booking a date for the baptism. At this meeting you will be given all the necessary information about the Sacrament of Baptism and the commitment required of the parents who request it for their child. The next meeting will be on**

**Thursday 25th July at 7.30pm  
in the Church of the Most Holy  
Rosary, Ashford**



## 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](http://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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