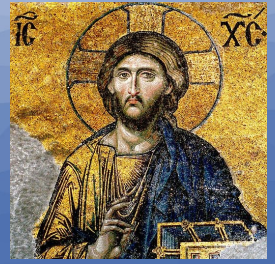


ASHFORD & GLENEALY PARISH

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

24th November 2024
Christ the King - Year B
RCN 20016166



Gospel Reflections What type of King? Donal Neary SJ

A big thing in life is 'where are you from'? We say 'your accent betrays you'. Sometimes we judge totally on where people are from, as Pilate with Jesus. With all he knew of him and heard, the miracles and the speeches, he asks

Where are you from?

Are you a king really?

What sort is your kingdom?

Pilate was intrigued with Jesus and so are we. Our Christian life is getting to know Jesus more, and taking part in his mission. The type of person he was. That he came from God and from humanity. He speaks of the best of God and the best of us, the best of heaven and the best of earth. He is worth our following.

Our role in life, our vocation and our mission is a calling to live like him in love and service. There is the 'from above' in Jesus and much of John's gospel stresses the divinity of Christ. He doesn't look very divine but he does look very human. In the human is the divine. So we could be like him. We become like him by reading about his life and living like he did. He is a king in his truth, justice, compassion and love. The king-defender of the poor.

A good ending of one church year leads us to the beginning of another. King and/or Servant. We'll see more of what it's all like in the weeks of December. Meantime we want to live in this reign of God and at the same time pray and live – *Your kingdom come.*

*Picture Jesus with Pilate, mocked and belittled.
Or on the cross, and recall, 'this man is a king'.
Jesus, remember me,
when you come into your kingdom.*



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Office opening times Monday - Friday: 10am - 12.30pm

For all enquires and bookings

	This week we remember	Next week we remember
SATURDAY 6.00pm ASHFORD	Peter Kavanagh (1st A), Don O’Gorman, Aaron Wright, Joe & Eleanor Drumgoole	Noeleen O’Brien (MM)
SUNDAY 10.30am GLENEALY	Gerry Byrne, Leo O’Brien, Hayden O’Flaherty Aaron Wright, Don O’Gorman Snr, Don O’Gorman Jnr, Mary Devlin, Cathriona Rownan	John Cullen (A)

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17th November 2024

ENVELOPE/ CHURCH COLLECTION - goes towards maintaining our parish - € 505
1ST COLLECTION / COMMON FUND - pays salaries of Priests of Diocese - € 475
2ND COLLECTION / SHARE FUND - goes towards Diocesan Administration € 380
MAINTENANCE - goes towards Parish upkeep - € 75

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: Jeremiah 33:14-16

PSALM: 24

SECOND READING: 1 Thessalonians 3:12-14.2

GOSPEL: Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

Baptism in the St. 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

Next Ashford Meeting is on 28th November at 7:30pm in the Church. Please ring the Parish Office (0404-61699) to confirm your attendance at this meeting.



Mass of Remembrance

Ashford Church

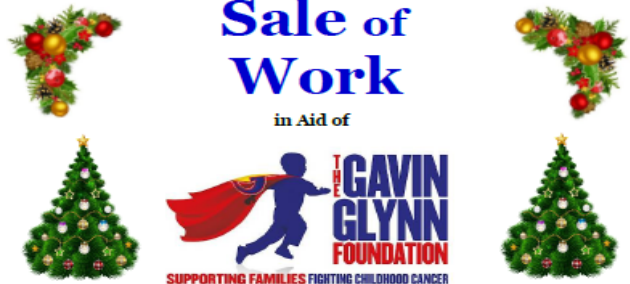
Wednesday 27 November

The annual Mass of Remembrance, when we remember all who died during the past year, will be celebrated by Fr. Aquinas Duffy PP in Ashford Church at 7.30pm on Wednesday, 27 November. *The souls of the virtuous are in the hands of God, no torment shall ever touch them (Book of Wisdom 3: 1-9).*

ICA Ashford Christmas

Sale of Work

in Aid of



"Helping families fighting childhood cancer who need to travel overseas for specialist cancer treatment that is not available in Ireland. The Gavin Glynn Foundation arrange all logistics and cover all costs associated with:
• Transportation (eg. Flights, Car Hire).
• Transportation to and from the designated Airports. • Accommodation within, or close to the designated medical centre. • Food and living expenses for the duration of the child's treatment while abroad."

Saturday 7 December 2024

9.30am – 12.30pm

Methodist Hall, Wicklow Town
(opposite Holy Rosary National School)



Ashford Historical Society will hold its next meeting on Tuesday 26th November 2024 at 7.30 in the Ashford Community and Heritage Centre. Jim Rees, the well known and renowned Arklow Historian & Author will be our guest speaker for the evening on the subject - "Surplus People and the Fitzwilliam Estate Clearances 1847-1854" - reflecting mostly on post famine times on the Wicklow estate". AHS still seek photographs (which will be returned) of people, places and items of historical interest relating to the Ashford-Glenealy area along with stories regarding their origin and significance.

A festive poster for 'Joly's Festive Christmas Craft Market 2024'. The top features a circular logo with 'Joly's' in a cursive font, surrounded by pine branches and snowflakes. Below this, the text 'FESTIVE CHRISTMAS CRAFT Market' is written in a mix of red, green, and black fonts. The dates 'SAT 30TH NOV' and 'SUN 1ST DEC' are shown in red boxes with a plus sign between them. The time '10AM - 4PM' is listed below. The activities 'ART & CRAFT STALLS', 'FESTIVE FOOD & SPICED WINE', and 'LIVE MUSIC + MORE!' are listed in orange. The location 'JOLY'S GARDEN CENTRE GLENEALY CO. WICKLOW A67 X940' and contact info '087 447 9917 INFO@JOLYSGARDENCENTRE.IE' are at the bottom. The poster is decorated with pine branches and red and gold Christmas ornaments.

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.

Alcoholics Anonymous: Drink Problem? You're not alone.

For anyone who is interested in getting more information, there is an 'Open Public Meeting' at 8.00pm in Kilcoole Community Centre on the last Friday of every month.

Phone: 01 842 0700

or www.alcoholicsanonymous.ie All enquiries are treated in the strictest confidence.

**St. Mantan Pastoral Area
Funeral Team Ministry**

A meeting for all the individual parish funeral team and funeral team leader members will be held on Tuesday 3rd December at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre, Wicklow to refresh what we do as a funeral team member at a funeral Mass and to develop a parish strategy for the years 2025-2027 as the next step of our Building Hope in terms of what service our funeral team leaders can offer by means of prayers in the funeral home, home, at the graveside etc. in the absence of a priest. We hope that as many as possible will attend.

**Christmas Craft Fair in Glenealy
Village Hall - Sunday, 1
December**

**The annual Christmas Craft Fair
will take place in Glenealy
Village Hall on Sunday, 1
December from 11.30am to
4.00pm. Come early and join in
the festive fun with bargains for
everyone.**



Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

- Ashford: 1st Friday after Mass**
Wicklow: Mondays and Thursdays after Mass
Kilbride: 1st Thursday at 7pm (Divine Mercy)
Brittas Bay: Tuesdays at 9am



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

Name.....

Contact Number.....

Address.....
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I can do all
things through
him who
strengthens
me.

Philippians 4:13

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