

ASHFORD & GLENEALY PARISH

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time-Year C

26th January 2025

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Gospel Reflections Faith beyond words Donal Neary SJ

Jesus' religious beliefs grew on the word of God. Through boyhood and family life, visits to the synagogue and prayer, he heard the word of God. Gradually he knew what it meant. Now was his time to speak that word, and to begin his ministry.

For Mary and Joseph this was a proud moment. They had given their time and love to Jesus' upbringing and now it would bear fruit. Today parents worry about the faith of their children. They see a different attitude to religion, prayer, morality and many other aspects of life. They wonder did they do their job well.

Much of the culture today goes against God and religion.

Parents cannot fight the culture. But they can hand on the best of the gospel by their own faith and by the way they live their lives, by their love and by speaking the truth as they see it. What is handed on in faith is beyond words.

Teachers and Chaplains play a big role in handing on our faith. The Church owes a huge gratitude to teachers, chaplains, priest and lay, who have held that role in very difficult times over the last forty years.

We are all part of the 'faith ministry' of Jesus. By our own prayer we can help a new generation find their way to faith. We hand over worries to the Lord. Prayer gives us the encouragement to support a younger generation in their ways of faith - meditation groups, prayer groups, folk and gospel music Masses, work for and among the poor. God loves our younger generation more than we do!

*Lord may my own faith grow deeper by my relationship with you.
Help those who search for you, especially the young.
Help us all to find your love in our lives, Amen.*



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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	Cecil Ward (1st A) & his parents Jack & Frances Ward Mary & Frank Wooley, Jennifer Crean, Jerry Doyle	NO MASS
SUNDAY 10.30am GLENEALY	NO MASS	Dick Fitzpatrick (1st A)

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ENVELOPE/ CHURCH COLLECTION	- goes towards maintaining our parish	- € 5
1ST COLLECTION / COMMON FUND	- pays salaries of Priests of Diocese	- € 400
2ND COLLECTION / SHARE FUND	- goes towards Diocesan Administration	- € 216
MAINTENANCE	- goes towards Parish upkeep	- € 35

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: Malachi 3:1-4

PSALM: 23

SECOND READING: Hebrews 2:14-18

GOSPEL : Luke 2:22-32

Baptism in the St. Mantan Pastoral Area

Wicklow	First Saturday	2pm
	Third Sunday	1pm
Rathnew	Fourth Saturday	2pm
Ashford	First Sunday	12pm
Glenealy	Third Saturday	12pm
BBK	Second Saturday	2pm

Next Ashford Meeting is on

**Please ring the Parish Office (0404-61699)
to confirm your attendance at this meeting.**

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

Pastoral Area Funeral Team Members Meeting.

Please be advised that the meeting for the above ministerial team will take place on **Monday 27th January at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre, Wicklow.**

Hoping to see as many members as possible at the meeting as we continue to strive towards building our Parish Partnership.

Study Theology Online is this for you?

The Priory Institute provides online Theology courses to degree level.

Attend Saturday lectures in Tallaght or from the comfort of your own home.

Register before February 11.

Find out more on our website, prioryinstitute.com

Mass Schedule B and C.

Mass Schedule B

Weekend 25/26 January // Weekend 8/9 February

Ashford Vigil Mass	6.00pm	(Saturday)	NO MASS in Glenealy
Wicklow Vigil Mass	6.00pm	(Saturday)	
Kilbride	9.00am	(Sunday)	NO MASS in Barndarrig
Wicklow	10.30am	(Sunday)	
Wicklow	12.00pm	(Sunday)	NO MASS in Rathnew
Brittas Bay	12.00pm	(Sunday)	

Mass Schedule C

Weekend 18/19 January // Weekend 1/2 February // Weekend 1/2 March

Wicklow Vigil Mass	6.00pm	(Saturday)	NO MASS in Ashford
Barndarrig Vigil Mass	7.30pm	(Saturday)	
Rathnew	9.00am	(Sunday)	NO MASS in Kilbride
Wicklow	10.30am	(Sunday)	
Glenealy	10.30am	(Sunday)	NO MASS in Brittas Bay
Wicklow	12.00pm	(Sunday)	

**Wicklow Historical Society
presents:**

**Wicklow Through the Ages -
Well-known personalities in
Wicklow Town in the late 19th
and early 20th centuries.**

by

Brian White

**de la Salle Pastoral Centre
Tuesday, 28th January
@ 8pm**

Separated, Divorced, Widowed Are you coping?

Few people are able to cope alone with the pain and loneliness following the loss of a life partner. Do you find that you need more support than family and friends can provide? Beginning Experience is a peer support group dedicated to helping those who are navigating life alone whether through death, separation or divorce. A team of trained facilitators, who are themselves widowed, separated or divorced share with you how they coped with their loss. A Three Day Coping with Life Alone Programme will take place on: Saturday 25th, January, 8th and 15th February 2025 (Advance Booking Essential) Carmelite Community Centre, Whitefriar Street, Dublin 2. For further information contact Beginning Experience 086 0877379, or email: bedublin@gmail.com

Parish Envelopes

The parish envelopes have gone out to Ashford Church. If anyone is missing envelopes please contact the parish office.

Apologies for the delay.

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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