

# ASHFORD & GLENEALY PARISH

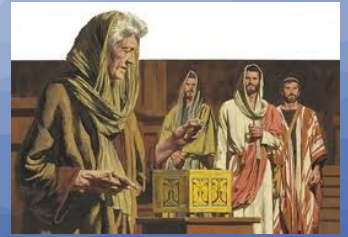
## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

10th November 2024

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year B

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### *Gospel Reflections A Series of Contrasts Donal Neary SJ*

The gospel is a series of contrasts – rich and poor, greedy and generous, arrogant and humble and it is not difficult to guess which of them Jesus is praising. The lady in question, a poor widow, may not even have heard the praise of Jesus but the disciples were left in no doubt where Jesus' sympathies lay.

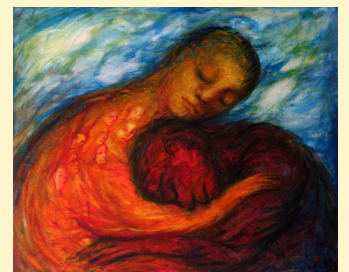
He praises true religion in the widow who gave all she had in the cause of God. He berates the co-existence of long prayers and the greed which took away the property of people like this widow. The religious people of the day were meant to look after the widow and the orphan who had nobody else to fight their cause.

From the gospel we take the invitation of Jesus to give all; the amount given is not the big question, it is the giving of the heart. Jesus knows the listeners would cop on that what he was talking about was more than money – it was to give the first place in life to God and the things of God. That is the call to all of us.

The things of God we can glibly refer to are the love we are called to receive and to give, it is to care for other things of God too like creation, justice, peace and reconciliation. It is to give time to worship God in common and in private – to ensure a space and time for prayer in each day.

The widow of the gospel had a generous heart, as did the widow in the first reading. They looked outward to the needs of other and the things of God, and gave what they could in this direction. Can we not do the same?

*Lord teach me to know you more,  
love you more and serve you  
more faithfully in my life  
– St Ignatius of Loyola*



*Sincere sympathies to the family of*

*Noeleen O'Brien (née Healy),  
Woodview, Ashford*

	This week we remember	Next week we remember
<b>SATURDAY</b> 6.00pm ASHFORD	Betty Shea (1st A) Dylan Lynch (A)	
<b>SUNDAY</b> 10.30am GLENEALY	Richie Kenny (A) Charley and Mary Byrne (A) Gerard and Elizabeth Driver (A)	Liam and Sean O'Toole (A)

## ASHFORD & GLENEALY PARISH

### 3rd November 2024

**ENVELOPE/ CHURCH COLLECTION** - goes towards maintaining our parish - € 470  
**1ST COLLECTION / COMMON FUND** - pays salaries of Priests of Diocese - € 767  
**2ND COLLECTION / SHARE FUND** - goes towards Diocesan Administration € 430  
**MAINTENANCE** - goes towards Parish upkeep - € 100

*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: Daniel 12:1-3**

**PSALM: 15:5,8-11**

**SECOND READING: Hebrews 10:11-14,18**

**GOSPEL: Mark 13:24-32**

## 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.**

**Next Wicklow Meeting is on 14th November At 8:00pm in the de la Salle Pastoral Centre.**



***The Annual Mass for Deceased from the Parish of Ashford and Glenealy will take place this year in the Church of the Most Holy Rosary, Ashford on Wednesday 27th November 2024 at 7.30 PM.***

***All families, who have lost a loved one in the last year, will receive a letter.***

***If anyone would like to include a relative, friend or someone with strong association with parish, who died in the last twelve months please contact the Parish Office in Wicklow 0404-61699 or email [parishofficewicklow@gmail.com](mailto:parishofficewicklow@gmail.com) before 5/11/2024***

### 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.

### Christmas O Holy Night LIVE ★★

## The Three Tenors LIVE★

IRELAND'S GREATEST VOICES

Direct from National Concert Hall

AMAZING CHEERFUL ENTERTAINERS!



Conor Gibbons/ Philip Klubicka/ Paul Feery

**FRIDAY 29TH NOVEMBER 8 PM**

**ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH, WICKLOW TOWN**

**Popular Favourites  
from The Dubliners to Andrea Bocelli**

**BOOK YOUR TICKETS NOW ON SALE €30**

**Parish Office Wicklow  
Earl's Newsagents Abbey St.**

**Hear the Hits: Caledonia/ Christmas 1915  
Silent Night/ The Prayer/ Bring Him Home/  
The Parting Glass/ Nessun Dorma**

The Sunday Independent called them 'FABULOUS...  
The entire audience was moved by their soulful performance'

**All The Songs You Love! Absolute Joy!**

[www.threetenorsireland.com](http://www.threetenorsireland.com)

**Special Guests: Local Children's School Choir**

## Unwanted Gift Sale

in aid of  
St. Patrick's Church, Wicklow  
and  
Wicklow Cancer Support



**Date:** 17th November, 2024  
**Time:** 10am to 3pm  
**Place:** De la Salle Pastoral Centre  
Wicklow Town



### Special Room

Full of Bags,  
Purses, Hats, Scarfs



Pick up a Great Christmas Present and support  
Wicklow Parish Church and Wicklow Cancer Support Services



## Ashford Community Group

**Providing support & social outlet for older people**

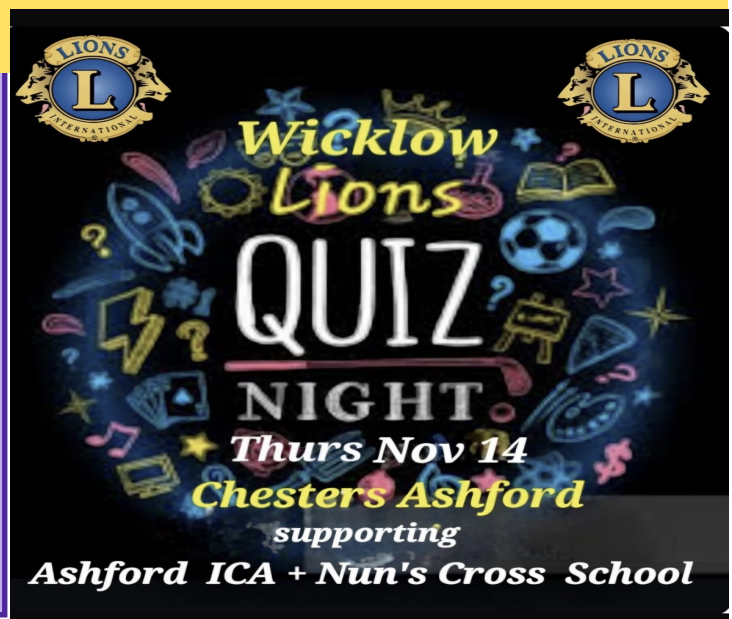
### DRAW RESULTS OCTOBER 2024

		Winner	Seller
1st	€300	Margaret O’Gorman	Phyllis Armstrong
2nd	€150	Darren Doyle	Phyllis Armstrong
3rd	€100	Oisin Hill	Ann Byrne
4th	€50	Jenny Quinn	Ann Lyons

**Thank you for your ongoing support**

### **Communion Enrolment** **Mass:**

**Ashford:**  
**Saturday 9th November 6pm**  
**Glenealy:**  
**Sunday 10th November**  
**10:30am**



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.....

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