

# ASHFORD & GLENEALY PARISH

## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C

13th July 2025

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### Donal Neary S.J. Gospel Reflection ~ The teller of the story

Is this the best story ever written! Because we know it so well, we may gloss over it. It challenges us on many levels - the inclusiveness of everyone as our neighbour, the way we can pass by human needs, and how the most rejected people can respond positively. It is a story of how many of us miss tragedy under our noses, and how many suffer because of the cruelty of others. It's mainly a story to ask us to respond as positively as we can to all human need.

It also points to the person who told the story. Jesus could tell this story because he was the good Samaritan himself. His heart went out to those who were suffering most at the hands of others. He could tell it also because he knew what it was like to be an outcast - rejected by his own people, and in danger all the time of being victimised even to death like the man at the side of the road.

He brings it farther also - saying that the commandment of God is seen in the way the Good Samaritan responded. The second great commandment is to love the neighbour, and the neighbour is the one of any colour, nationality, age or family who may be in need.

We can ask who are the ones thrown to the side of the road today?

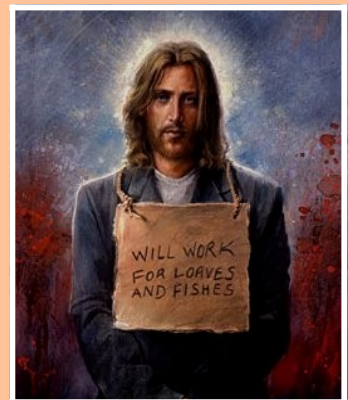
- The former prisoner,
- The asylum seeker and refugee,
- The forgotten young person, the addict, among others.

All can be helped to their feet and to carry on in life through the help and care of another.

The final words to take from the gospel today are simple yet difficult

-**'Go and do the same yourself.'**

*Lord, help me to go and do the same myself.*



*A voiceless, homeless, Jesus*



*Sincere sympathies to the families of*

*Sean Doherty, late of Wicklow Town & Glenealy  
Sean O'Brien, late of Ballyknocken, Glenealy  
Lucy (Louie) Molloy, late of Ashford*

	This week we remember	Next week we remember
<b>SATURDAY</b> 6.00pm ASHFORD	<b>Séamus Darcy -</b> <b>Birthday Remembrance</b>	
<b>SUNDAY</b> 10.30am GLENEALY		

## ASHFORD & GLENEALY PARISH

### 6th June 2025

<b>ENVELOPE/ CHURCH COLLECTION</b>	- goes towards maintaining our parish	- €175
<b>1ST COLLECTION / COMMON FUND</b>	- pays salaries of Priests of Diocese	- €190
<b>2ND COLLECTION/SHARE</b>	- goes towards Diocesan Administration	€150
<b>MAINTENANCE</b>	- goes towards Parish upkeep	- €175

*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: Genesis 18: 1-10**

**PSALM: 14: 2-5**

**SECOND READING: Colossians 1:24-28**

**GOSPEL: Luke 10:38-42**

### Baptism in the St. Mantan Pastoral Area

<b>Wicklow</b>	<b>First Saturday</b>	<b>2pm</b>
	<b>Third Sunday</b>	<b>1pm</b>
<b>Rathnew</b>	<b>Fourth Saturday</b>	<b>2pm</b>
<b>Ashford</b>	<b>First Sunday</b>	<b>12pm</b>
<b>Glenealy</b>	<b>Third Saturday</b>	<b>12pm</b>
<b>BBK</b>	<b>Second Saturday</b>	<b>2pm</b>

**Next Ashford Meeting is on**  
**Thursday, 24th July**  
**at 7.30pm in the church.**  
**Please ring the Parish Office**  
**(0404-61699) to confirm your**  
**attendance at this meeting.**



Archdiocese of Dublin

## Summer Dues

Thank you for  
supporting your priests

**SUMMER  
DUES  
APPEAL  
2025**





# Mass & Blessings of the Graves - 2025

Barndarrig Cemetery: Tuesday, 1st July @ 7.30pm

Three Mile Water Cemetery: Monday, July 7th at 7.30pm

Castletimon Cemetery: Monday, July 14th at 7.30pm

Rathnew Cemetery: Wednesday 16th July at 7.30pm

Glenealy Cemetery: Saturday 19th July at 3.00pm

Killoughter Cemetery: Tuesday 22nd July at 7.30pm



## Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Ashford: 1st Friday after Mass

Wicklow: Mondays & Thursdays after Mass

Kilbride: 1st Thursday at 7pm (Divine Mercy)

Brittas Bay: Tuesdays at 9am

## **ASHFORD COMMUNITY GROUP**

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

**DRAW RESULTS June 2025**

		Winner	Seller
1 <sup>st</sup>	€300	Tom Boylan	Catherine Barrett
2 <sup>nd</sup>	€150	Helen Staunton	Ann Lyons
3 <sup>rd</sup>	€100	Kathleen Woolley	Ann Lyons
4th	€50	Tylor Byrne	Ann Lyons

**Thank you for your ongoing support**

Registered Charity Number (RCN) 20200036

As part of the Jubilee Year - Pilgrims of Hope 2025, The Pockets of Hope will be on display in Glenealy Church for the month of July. Everyone one is invited to make there own mini-pilgrimage as they review the Pockets of Hope and consider what message they get from them.

# Pockets of Hope

A project of hope based on  
the message of Pope Francis for The  
Year of Jubilee 2025

Hopelessness can often be a characteristic of many lives today. This is not difficult to believe as with increasing secularism, war, violence, lack of social cohesion, the lack of care for our planet and general brokenness, it can be a real challenge to be a person of hope. In response to our plight Pockets of Hope is a project created by Fr. Alan Hilliard and designed by Mary-Aoife Ong which is based on the writings of Pope Francis in the document *Spes Non Confundit* (Hope Does Not Disappoint) which is the theme for The Jubilee Year of Hope 2025. Pockets of Hope draws on the imagery of the Burren Landscape on the western shore of Ireland. The display aims to highlight how hope can be discovered even amidst the most bleak of landscapes.

You are invited to complete your own mini pilgrim journey as you contemplate each message of hope and let God speak to you through the reflections. This is a selection from the complete set of forty-two posters which are on display in the Dublin Churches. It allows the pilgrim journey though the document, contemplating its rich and life-giving narrative for today's world. It is the desire that many people in Ireland can be filled with the gift of Hope through this project!

## Ashford Community Group

### Tea Party

Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> July,  
from 1pm till 4pm

at Mary O'Brien's house,  
11 Ballinalea  
Ashford  
A67 TD28

€5 entry fee which includes  
a ticket for a free raffle

Love your Neighbor  
who doesn't



look like you,



think like you,



love like you,



speak like you,



pray like you,



vote like you.

Love your Neighbor.  
No Exceptions.