

ASHFORD & GLENEALY PARISH

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

The Most Holy Trinity ~ Year C

15th June 2025

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Gospel Reflection ~ Beginning of time—wisdom ~Donal Neary SJ

Wisdom, truth and love seem to be the themes of readings today, and that love will lead to hope.

It's a confusing sort of feast, as we cannot understand the truth of the Trinity But we can 'hit' it from different angles.

The **wisdom** of **G**od has been born before the beginning of time. Somehow **wisdom** is essential to God - and is presented very often as female. In celebrating the **T**rinity we celebrate and ask for **wisdom**, which comes from the heart of **G**od. So this wisdom is the sort of **wisdom that comes from love**.

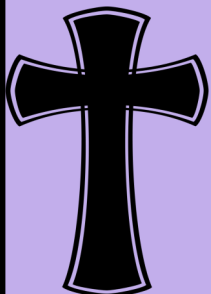
Love is 'poured' into our hearts by the **S**pirit. Connected with love are qualities we would want to live by - courage and hope. These are the gifts of the **S**pirit as wisdom may be the gift of the **F**ather.

Jesus is presented by the gospel as the source of truth. His also is the truth of love, as his truth is best seen on the cross, in his self-sacrificing love.

The most famous icon of the Trinity by Rugenev,(c/f icon below right) well-known to us now, has the Trinity at a table and an empty space at the table for us all. *In one sense, they are not completed **without** us!* We are part of their love, and their life of wisdom, truth and love, which they wish to share with us.



*Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen.*



*Sincere sympathies to the families of
Peter Reynolds, Wicklow, formerly Glenealy &
Sligo town
Paddy Macaulay (Paddy Popcorn), Ashford &
formerly Kilmacud, Co. Dublin*

	This week we remember	Next week we remember
SATURDAY 6.00pm ASHFORD		
SUNDAY 10.30am GLENEALY		

ASHFORD & GLENEALY PARISH

8th June 2025

ENVELOPE/ CHURCH COLLECTION	- goes towards maintaining our parish	- € 420
1ST COLLECTION / COMMON FUND	- pays salaries of Priests of Diocese	- € 515
2ND COLLECTION/SHARE	- goes towards Diocesan Administration	€ 325
MAINTENANCE	- goes towards Parish upkeep	- € 115

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: Genesis 14:18-20

PSALM: 109:1-4

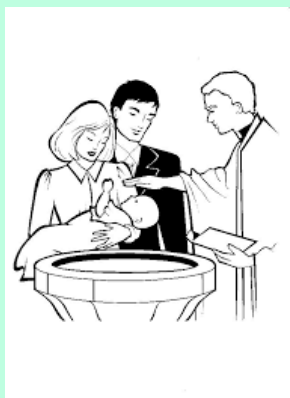
SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

GOSPEL: Luke 9:11-17

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
Thursday, 26th June at
7.30pm in the church.
Please ring the Parish
Office (61699) to book
your place at the meet-
ing.
Please ring the Parish
Office (0404-61699)
to confirm your attend-
ance at this meeting.**



Ashford Community Group May draw results

1st Winner

Joshua McGealy

Seller Ann Lyons

2nd Winner

Margaret Duffy

Seller Ann Byrne

3rd Winner

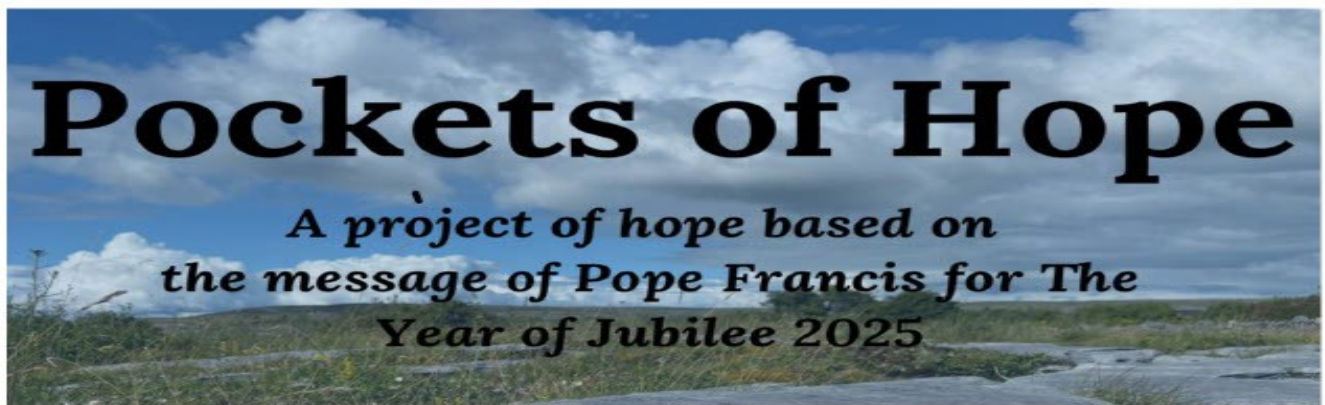
Vincent Moore

Seller Ann Byrne

4th Winner

Kathleen Woolley

Seller Ann Lyons



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.

Our selection of Pockets of Hope reflection posters which will be on display in the Holy Rosary Church Ashford from the 1st of June.

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 through 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!

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

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Congratulations to all couples planning their marriage.

REMEMBER ...to give 3 months notice to the parish where you live. Your local parish is responsible for organising the paperwork necessary for the Sacrament of Marriage irrespective of where the wedding will take place.

Be sure to get in touch with the Parish Office to make arrangements to complete wedding papers at least 3 months before the date of the proposed wedding.



We welcome the Missionary Sisters of Our Lady of Apostles to our Partnership of Parishes this month of June, to promote Mission Awareness at all Masses in Ashford and Glenealy on the 28/29th of June.

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



"Wisdom is the capacity to see things from God's viewpoint."

– Charles Stanley

