

ASHFORD & GLENEALY PARISH

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

17th November 2024

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Gospel Reflections Reminder from the Tree Donal Neary SJ

The tree was a big image for Jesus – he spoke many truths of his message pointing at trees,

~like mustard seeds which grew big,

~ vines that withered,

~ and the fig tree which was common to his hearers.

When asked about the signs of things to come, he gave no long homily, but just looked at the fig tree and said you know from this when summer and winter is coming. In the same way we can sense his presence in our lives in different ways. This may not help us to know about the end of time and the questions people had then, but it can get us to become aware of how God is present in our lives.

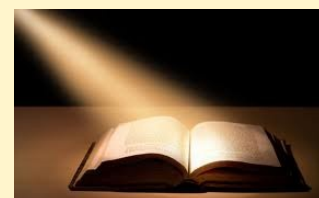
The word of God is spoken in the human words of many people. In kindly words, in forgiving and tolerant words, and also in the word of God spoken in the Mass, Jesus speaks to us today. Like the people looking at a fig tree, we can find his presence in the kindness and the helpful words of another. This is the word of God in human form. It will not pass away.

We are called to speak his word in our way of life:

*to be friends of the earth,

*friends of all people, and

*friends of the poor. That's redemption, Jesus and ourselves working in unison.



God's book of compassion and love includes our names.
We can be thankful our names are in the book of life.

Imagine a blank page of the Book of Life:

see your name on the page, and a list of the good you have done.

Lord bring more good out of what I have tried to do in my life out of love.

| | This week we remember | Next week we remember |
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| SATURDAY 6.00pm ASHFORD | Mary Marah (A) Lily Quinn (A) | |
| SUNDAY 10.30am GLENEALY | Liam and Sean O'Toole (A) | |

ASHFORD & GLENEALY PARISH

10th November 2024

ENVELOPE/ CHURCH COLLECTION - goes towards maintaining our parish - € 175
1ST COLLECTION / COMMON FUND - pays salaries of Priests of Diocese - € 570
2ND COLLECTION / SHARE FUND - goes towards Diocesan Administration € 345
MAINTENANCE - goes towards Parish upkeep - € 150

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: Daniel 7:13-14

PSALM: 92:1-2,5

SECOND READING: Apocalypse 1:5-8

GOSPEL : John 18:33-37

Baptism in the St. Mantan Pastoral Area

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| 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.



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 before 5/11/2024

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

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.

**There will also be a
cake sale
and
coffee morning
on the day so come along and
support a great cause.**

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.



November Altar Lists of the Dead
are available at the Church doors.

Please take one home and
take one for any of your neighbours who would like one.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Ashford: 1st Friday after Mass
Wicklow: Mondays and Thursdays after Mass
Kilbride: 1st Thursday at 9am (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.....

Be like a tree.

Stay grounded.

Connect with your roots.

Turn over a new leaf.

Bend before you break.

Enjoy your unique natural beauty.

Keep growing.

