

Any parents who wish to have a child baptised are asked to attend an introductory meeting before booking a date for the baptism. At this meeting you will be given all the necessary information about the Sacrament of Baptism and the commitment required of the parents who request it for their child. The next meeting will be on

Thursday 21st March at 7.30pm
in the Church of the Most Holy
Rosary, Ashford

An Irish Prayer:

May God give you, For every storm, A rainbow,
For every tear, A smile,
For every care, A promise,
And a blessing in each trial.
For every problem life sends, A faithful friend to share,
For every sigh, A sweet song,
And an answer for each prayer.



Daffodil Day 2024

The annual collection for Daffodil Day in aid of the Irish Cancer Society will take place at Masses this weekend of 16th & 17th March. All support is greatly appreciated.

Cúrsa sa Ghaeilge Labhartha do dhaoine fásta



Course in Spoken Irish for adults

Ionad an Pharóiste, Cill Mhantáin
Pastoral Centre, Wicklow
Gach Aoine 12 Aibreán - 17 Bealtaine
Every Friday 12 April - 17 May
7-8 pm Costas: €10
Chun áit a chur in áirithe:
To book a place:
geraldinelynch7@icloud.com
muinteoirciara@gmail.com

Cainteoirí Chill Mhantáin

ASHFORD & GLENEALY PARISH

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

17th March 2024

Fifth Sunday of Lent / St Patrick's Day

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Just LENT 5

Our Prayer

Loving God,
in this season of Lent
you call us to act justly,
love tenderly
and walk humbly with each other
so that we can build
your Kingdom of justice and peace,
your Kingdom of love and truth,
your Kingdom of holiness and grace
in our world today. AMEN

Sunday Scripture Link

5th Sunday of Lent
Jeremiah 31: 31-34
Hebrews 5: 7-9
John 12: 20-33

Theme:

Migrants & Refugees



- Like St Patrick, the people of Israel were enslaved. They were migrants in a foreign land. Just like Patrick, their experience was harsh, as was their return to their homeland.
- This is still the experience of many migrants today.
- When we allow the Law of God's love to be our driving force then we realise that we are all God's people.
- This is why we need to take the Gospel message into our hearts. This Lent we are called to die to old ways of thinking and embrace the seeds of new life within us and around us.

“Here we perceive the deeper roots of the migration crisis that touches many regions of the world. It is not only because of war that people flee their land. The flight to more prosperous regions is also due to the lack of hope in being able to have a life that offers an acceptable level of freedom, well-being and dignity in their own country. The ‘tragic rise in the number of migrants seeking to flee from growing poverty’ is profoundly linked to ‘environmental degradation. They are not recognized by international conventions as refugees; they bear the loss of the lives they have left behind, without enjoying any legal protection whatsoever. Sadly, there is widespread indifference to [and sometimes cynicism in the face of] such suffering’ (Laudato Si’, 25).

p35 The Cry of the Earth, The Cry of the Poor
Archbishop Dermot Farrell


SEE What are you noticing about migrants and refugees in our towns and cities?
DISCERN How can our parishes be places of welcome and support?
ACT What one action could be implemented to make a difference?

	This week we remember	Next week we remember
SATURDAY 6.00pm ASHFORD	Geraldine Kelly,	Sadie Kehoe, 1st anniversary
SUNDAY 10.30am GLENEALY	Donal Dunne, Ita Kelly,	Eileen Cannon,

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.



Sincere sympathy to the families of
 *Liam Kelly, late of Ballylusk Farm, Ashford.*
Michael Dempsey, late of Glenealy.

ASHFORD & GLENEALY PARISH 10th March 2024

ENVELOPE/ CHURCH COLLECTION - goes towards maintaining our parish - €320
1ST COLLECTION / COMMON FUND - pays salaries of Priests of Diocese - €625
2ND COLLECTION / SHARE - goes towards Diocesan Administration - €475
MAINTENANCE - goes towards Parish upkeep - €85

Many thanks for your continued support.

NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS

To reflect on the readings please check
catholicireland.net / sacredspace.ie / universalis.com

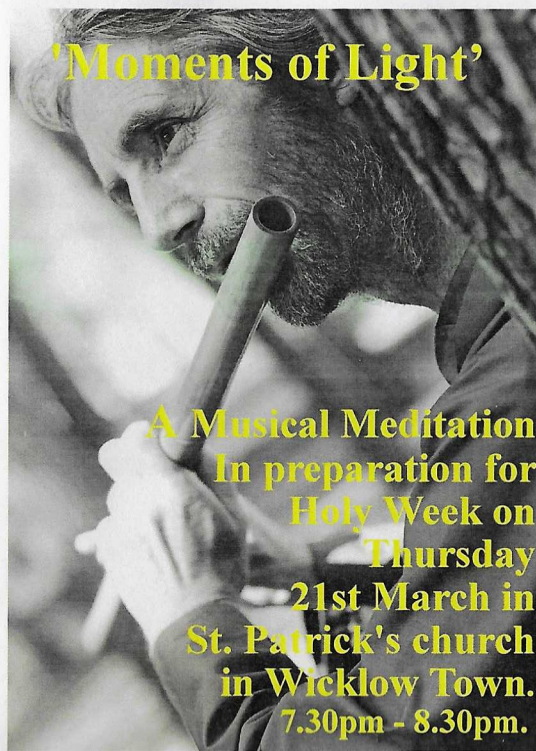
First Reading : Isaiah 50: 4-7

Psalm : 22: 8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24

Second Reading: Phillipians 2: 8-9

Gospel: Mark 14: 1-5: 47

'Moments of Light'



**A Musical Meditation
In preparation for
Holy Week on
Thursday
21st March in
St. Patrick's church
in Wicklow Town.
7.30pm - 8.30pm.**

Scripture Reflection

*Making time to pause & re-
flect with others on the
Sunday Gospels,
on Wednesday mornings
from 10.45am till 12noon
in the
Dominican Ecology Centre.*

*Tea & coffee is provided and
everyone is very welcome*

The Pope's Intention for March

For the new martyrs. We pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world inflame the Church with their courage and missionary enthusiasm.



This course helps to grow understanding and practice of leadership for people on PPCs or in parish ministry
 Tuesday Zooms from 7.30pm - 9.00pm
 Saturday In-Person from 10.00am - 2.00pm

To complete the online registration form, please
CLICK HERE

Please could you contact the Parish office if you are interested and more details can be provided. Closing date for registration is 25th March 2024.



Unit 2, First Floor,
Rear of Boots
Pharmacy,
Abbey Street,
Wicklow

*Have you, or a
family member,
been diagnosed with Cancer ?
We're here to help!*

Phone 0404 32696 or 086 821 6694

Our office is open Mon-Fri from
10.00 - 1.00 and 2.00 - 5.00