

ASHFORD & GLENEALY PARISH

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C

19th October 2025

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Donal Neary S.J. Gospel Reflection ~ A passionate spirit

Irish people have long memories of helping the missions - collecting stamps, mission groups in schools, maybe aunts and uncles 'out foreign'. It is an essential part of the Church, because Christ is missionary, sent not just to one, but to all, to make a better world, founded on the gospel of Christ. Even if people are not baptised, the Church wants to point out the way to a truly human life - in the way, truth and life who is Christ, and committed to the world of justice

With so much hunger, ill health, and lack of education, the missionary spirit is passionate about wanting to improve things with the message of the gospel. Today we pray for all our voluntary missionaries, religious, clerical and lay men and women. They are helped by our prayers in what is often a lonely life for them. Maybe we might even think about giving some time in volunteering in the poorer world;

or decide to vote for people who are concerned for the developing world and who will maintain our aid to the world in need; and we can encourage the young to think globally. We pray for courage for our people overseas and also for ourselves that we can live as Jesus in different ways.

All are missionaries as Pope Francis says -

'Each individual Christian and every community is missionary to the extent that they bring to others and live the Gospel, and testify to God's love for all, especially those experiencing difficulties. Be missionaries of God's love and tenderness! Be missionaries of God's mercy, which always forgives us, always awaits us and loves us dearly.'



*May our lives be lived in love and service
of you, Lord God, and of each other.*

ASHFORD & GLENEALY ~ PARISH - CONTACTS

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Office opening times Monday - Friday: 10am – 12.30pm

For all enquires and bookings

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

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12th October

ENVELOPE/ CHURCH COLLECTION - goes towards maintaining our parish - €100
1ST COLLECTION / COMMON FUND - pays salaries of Priests of Diocese - €250
2ND COLLECTION/SHARE - Goes towards Diocesan Administration - €195
MAINTENANCE - goes towards Parish upkeep - €15

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: Ecclesiasticus 35:12-14,16-19

PSALM: Ps 33:2-3,17-19,23

SECOND READING: 2Timothy 4: 6-8, 16- 18

GOSPEL: Luke 18: 9- 14

An Tobar Nua

We provide confidential counselling nationwide via telephone and Zoom. Our service is donation-based, because we do not want finances to prevent anyone from receiving support.

If any parishioners, are struggling with grief, anxiety, depression, or other life challenges, please know that we are here to help.

☎ Phone: 091 562 175

✉ Email: counselling@antobarnua.com

**PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR MOBILE PHONE IS
SWITCHED OFF WHILE IN THE CHURCH.**

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

Next Ashford Baptism Meeting is on Thursday, 23rd October at 7.30pm in the church. Please ring the Parish Office (0404-61699) to confirm your attendance at this meeting.



Rathnew Women's Social Enterprise

CRAFT FAIR

SUNDAY OCTOBER 26TH

11AM TO 3 PM

ST. BRIGID'S HALL RATHNEW
A67 X583

HAND CRAFTED GOODS, CROCHET,
KNITWEAR, GIFTS, SENSORY TOYS,
UP-CYCLED CREATIONS, COSY QUILTS,
BAKED GOODS & REFRESHMENTS

Rathnew Women's Social Enterprise CRAFT FAIR MARKET

The Heart of Rathnew Craft Rath New

Riailtas na hÉireann Government of Ireland

Co-funded by the European Union

Co-funded by the Irish Government, through the Department of Rural and Community Development, and the European Social Fund Plus under the Employment, Inclusion, Skills and Training (EIST) Programme 2021 - 2027.

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THE Alzheimer SOCIETY OF IRELAND

Join Our Rathdrum

Young Onset Dementia Activity Club

Our activity club offers a welcoming space for connection, creativity, and fun.

It's a wonderful opportunity to build friendships and explore new hobbies in a supportive and uplifting environment.

Every Tuesday morning
10am to 12 noon

The Heather Room, St Coleman's Hospital, Rathdrum, A67 AK06

For more information contact
michelle.bardon@alzheimer.ie
087-3182956

Confirmation meeting

There will be a Confirmation meeting for the parents of all children making Confirmation in the De La Salle Pastoral Area in 2026 on Wednesday 22nd October at 7:30pm in St. Patricks Church, Wicklow.

Anam Cara - supporting parents after bereavement, are hosting an **Online Bereavement Information Evening on Thursday 30th October at 7pm.**

Breffni McGuinness will be serving as our guest speaker, bringing years of experience with LauraLynn, Ireland's Children's Hospice, and his robust background in pastoral care.

Breffni will also take extra time to speak to the experience of parents who may have been carers to their children before their passing. Whether it be due to illness, disability, age, or any other reason, we recognise that grieving a child that one has cared for in this way may bring additional questions, complications, or difficulties. All parents, regardless of the age of their child or circumstances of their passing are, of course, very welcome, but we would like to extend this additional invitation to these families this month.

PARISH SHOP

The Parish shop is situated in the lobby of the parish office.

It has been restocked with new candles, cards and some new general stock, grave candles & ornaments. Drop in and have a browse, baptism candles small baby gifts, angel gifts, rosary beads, car medals, visor medals, cards and much more. There is also have a wide selection of Mass Cards and ordinary cards available. Shop open same time as office from 10am till 12.30pm.

PARISH NEWSLETTER

We would love to hear what is happening in the parish so that we can include it in the parish newsletter.

If you are organising any event or activity—non-profit—please email us with the details at parishofficewicklow@gmail.com.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Your contribution to the Church is your appreciation for your parish.

If you would like to become a regular supporter to the Parish, please fill in this slip and return to the Parish Office or Sacristy

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