

Here are some useful Apps to help with prayer and meditation. They are available from the App Store on your phone or other device:-

### Pray As You Go - Daily Prayer

This is a lifestyle app which can be downloaded for free. For the past 16 years this app has provided a daily journey and encounter with God for millions of people around the world. It will support your prayer life each day with a short contemplative prayer session and an invitation to go deeper with other prayer tools, series, retreats and resources. It lasts between 10 and 13 minutes and combines music, scripture and some questions for reflection.

### Universalis

This app helps you to follow the Mass each day. The "Mass Today" page merges the Order of Mass with the Readings and Prayers for the day, so you can follow the Mass right through without having to jump here and there through a missal. It costs approximately €12.

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

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Contact Number.....

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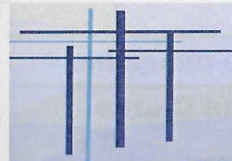
## NEW BOXES OF PARISH ENVELOPES

The new boxes of envelopes are now ready for collection from the Churches.

Please note that we are updating the Parish system so numbers have now changed. This will be reflected on the Pastoral Management package that the diocese recommend. If anyone is missing a box of envelopes - we apologise - please ring the Parish Office in Wicklow on 61699 and we will forward you a box of envelopes as soon as possible.

If you would like to receive a box and contribute to the upkeep of the parish, we would be happy to help you out with your request. It is also possible to donate by Standing Order and again we are happy to go through the process with you.

**PLEASE ENSURE THAT YOUR MOBILE PHONE IS SWITCHED OFF WHILE IN THE CHURCH .**



# ASHFORD & GLENEALY PARISH

## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

21st January 2024

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ Year B

RCN 20016166

*Fr Donal Neary, S.J Gospel Reflections for the Year B.*

### The Ordinary Things

There's something very ordinary for a fisherman about washing nets. Daily work, done with some drudgery but knowing that it is essential for a good catch of fish which would feed the family at this time Jesus called his first apostles.

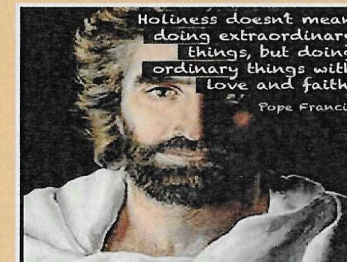
There is something sacred about the ordinary. About bathing a child, loving a spouse, daily employment, family time and all that goes to make up our days.

In the middle of all this God can surprise us and call us into his service. Our expectation is sometimes different – that we need long times of prayer to find God, or read about him, or do big things for him just as the smallest things are done out of human love, God is found in the ordinary.

The old Irish spirituality had blessings for everything – for milking a cow, cleaning and dusting a room, visiting the sick and many more. There were prayers for meals, for a safe journey and a happy death. Our Irish spirituality found God as much in mountains and people as in the church, and often more so.

Maybe the disciples remember in difficult times the way they were called in their ordinary work, and found their ongoing call to follow the Lord in the ordinary of their lives for the rest of their lives.

*Give me O Lord a love for the ordinary; remind me often how 'ordinary' you were for so much of your life. Amen.*



## ASHFORD & GLENEALY PARISH - CONTACTS

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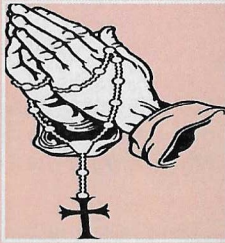
Office opening times Monday - Friday: 10am - 12.30pm



	This week we remember	Next week we remember
SATURDAY 6.00pm ASHFORD	<b>Noel Richardson – Months Mind Rose O'Neill, Seamus Grant.</b>	<b>Billy and Joan Clarke</b>
SUNDAY 10.30am GLENEALY		

## World Peace

Our thoughts are with the suffering people of the Middle East and Ukraine. We pray that peace will come to these troubled lands. Remember those who are suffering, displaced and fearful because of war. Enlighten world leaders; make them wise in their decisions. Make all of us instruments of your peace.



### *The Pope's Intention for January*

For the gift of Diversity in the Church  
*We pray that the Holy Spirit may help us to recognise the gift of different charisms within the Christian community and to discover the richness of different traditions and rituals in the Catholic Church*



## ASHFORD & GLENEALY PARISH 14th January 2024

ENVELOPE/ FAMILY COLLECTION	- goes towards maintaining our parish	- €320
1ST COLLECTION / COMMON FUND	- pays salaries of Priests of Diocese	- €618
2ND COLLECTION / SHARE	- goes towards Diocesan Administration	- €400
MAINTENANCE	- goes towards Parish upkeep	- €130

*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: Deuteronomy 18: 15-20**

**Psalm: 94**

**Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 7:32-35**

**Gospel: Mark 1:21-28**



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Rear of Boots Pharmacy,  
Abbey Street,  
Wicklow

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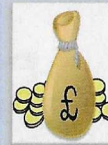
Our office is open Mon-Fri from  
10.00 -1.00 and 2.00-5.00

## PARISH OFFICE

*The Parish Office is located in the De La Salle Pastoral Centre and is open Monday through to Friday from 10am till 12.30 pm for all general parish enquiries, to book masses, to arrange baptisms / weddings bookings, enquiries, to drop in envelopes, buy mass cards etc. We would be very happy to help you - in person or on the phone. The contact number is 61699.*

*WICKLOW SAVINGS CLUB  
will re-open on Monday 15th  
January at 1.30pm until 3pm,  
in the De La Salle Parish  
Centre. This is a great way to  
save a little bit every week for  
Christmas.*

*Everyone is welcome to  
join this savings  
scheme. There is a €10  
fee to cover the bank  
charges on the account.*



## GROW MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT GROUP

Every Wed afternoon at 2.30pm for anyone struggling with depression or anxiety or just the stresses of life.

Experience new hope and meaning through working on issues together in a peer support setting.

Call Trish Williams on 086 0129082 for more information or just turn up at the Wicklow Parish Centre.

Small donations for group running costs are welcome.

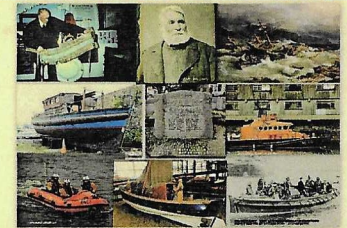
## Fundraising Concert at 8.00pm on Saturday, 27 January 2024 in Glenealy Village Hall

Featuring the Unity Choir, Doey Walsh, Spotlight Studios, Sarah Thompson, James Byrne, Eileen McLane, Easy Street.  
 Tickets are €10 and are available from Glenealy Village Hall (0404-44040), Browne's Village Shop, Rosie (086 066 4741).

All proceeds to Glenealy Hall development

## WICKLOW HISTORICAL SOCIETY ILLUSTRATED LECTURE "A HISTORY OF LIFEBOATS IN DUBLIN BAY"

by  
**CORMAC F. LOWTH**  
 DE LA SALLE PASTORAL CENTRE  
 TUESDAY, JANUARY 23rd. at 8.00 p.m.



The first lifeboats in Dublin Bay were run by the Port Corporation. They were amalgamated into the RNLI in 1862. A great many heroic rescues were carried by all of the lifeboats and some tragedies also occurred. Today lifeboat men still go out in all weathers to try to save the lives of those who are in peril on the sea. Cormac will be recounting some of the history of these events and talking about the boats and the people who manned them. He will be showing a great many rare and interesting photographs, images and charts.

COME EARLY TO BE SURE OF A SEAT  
 ALL ARE WELCOME