

ASHFORD & GLENEALY PARISH

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

34th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C

23rd November 2025

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Donal Neary S.J. Gospel Reflection ~ Feast of Christ the King

Jesus couldn't do much for the man on the cross... his own hands were nailed. He couldn't take him off, but he gave him more than he could ask for. He gave him paradise.

Where is God in our suffering? What sort of hope can we find this week in our country? What with so many horrible atrocities taking place, and the economic mess we have. What has God and the Church to say? God in his love for his people, and the Church with its social teachings - have they any message of hope?

Where is God? God did not cause the recession nor the murders. We may learn a lot through it and good may come later or now. Our suffering at the moment is of human making. Not of our making, but of some of our leaders and bankers, mostly through greed. God is with us suffering like he was with the thief. He didn't cause the suffering of the man on the next cross to him. He wants our happiness and wants justice and prosperity for all.

God is with us, holding our hands, asking us to support each other. The Church will offer a place and space to find the love of God, and its social teaching will ask us to look for the common good in the future. It offers also a place where we can hear the Church's approach to our economic future, reminding us all the time of the needs of the poor and the ordinary in education, medical care, housing and the ways in which the very old and the poor will suffer most in a situation which has been none of their doing. We are the Church and called on to make our voices heard for those who, like the man on the next cross, have little voice except to ask for help.

Lord, may thy kingdom come.



*Sincere sympathies to the families of
Maureen Stockdale (née Lucey) Dunbur, Wicklow
Town and formerly of Ashford, Co. Wicklow &
Saggart, Co. Dublin.*

	This week we remember	Next week we remember
SATURDAY 6.00pm ASHFORD	Peter Kavanagh (A) Joseph & Eleanor Drumgoole	
SUNDAY 10.30am GLENEALY	Don O’Gorman Aaron Wright	

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16th November

ENVELOPE/ CHURCH COLLECTION	- goes towards maintaining our parish	- €180
1ST COLLECTION / COMMON FUND	- pays salaries of Priests of Diocese	- €555
2ND COLLECTION/SHARE	- Goes towards Diocesan Administration	- €390
MAINTENANCE	- goes towards Parish upkeep	- €105

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 2: 1 - 5

PSALM: Ps 121: 1-2,4-9

SECOND READING: Romans 13:11 - 14

GOSPEL: Matthew 24:37 - 44

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.



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, 27th November at 7.30pm in the church. Please ring the Parish Office (0404-61699) to confirm your attendance at this meeting.

NO BAPTISM MEETING IN DECEMBER

WMDS
WICKLOW MUSICAL & DRAMATIC SOCIETY

SNOW WHITE

Into The Dark Woods

DATES – DECEMBER 5TH–7TH
EVENING SHOWS 5TH & 6TH 7–9PM
MATINEES 6TH 2–4PM & 7TH 3–5PM
**VENUE FATIMA HALL,
DOMINICAN COLLEGE**

**TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM
WWW.GR8TEVENTS.IE**



**WICKLOW COMMUNITY CRAFTERS
CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIR**

FREE ADMISSION
RESIN CRAFTS, CANDLES, CROCHET,
SENSORY TOYS, WOODWORK,
UP CYCLED CREATIONS, KNITWEAR,
NOVELTY GLASSWARE,
JEWELLERY, GIFTS
AND MUCH MUCH MORE

10 am to 2pm
Sunday 30th of November

**THE PASTORAL CENTRE
DE LA SALLE WICKLOW
(OPP ST PATRICKS CHURCH)**

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.

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

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0404 32696 or 086 821 6694

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Open: Mon-Fri: 10.00-5.00.
Closed for lunch 1-2p.m.



Advent Reflection

**Reflecting on the beautiful
Advent Gospels**

Where? An Taireseach (Dominican Ecology Centre)

- When? 1. Wednesday November 26th
2. Wednesday December 3rd
3. Wednesday December 10th
4. Wednesday December 17th

What Time? 7:30pm - 8:40pm

Optional 'cuppa' after it with delicious homeade
biscuits

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appreciation for your parish.

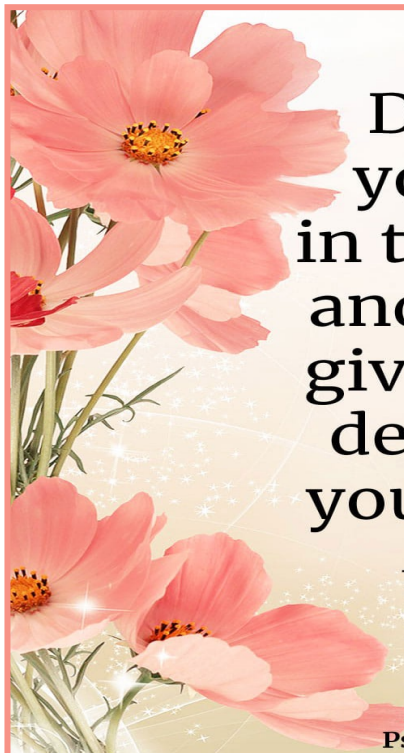
If you would like to become a regular
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**Delight
yourself
in the Lord,
and he will
give you the
desires of
your heart.**

- Psalm 37:4

PsalmsQuotes.com