

ASHFORD & GLENEALY PARISH

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C

28th September 2025

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Donal Neary S.J. Gospel Reflection ~ Faith in action: On fire with hope

This story of Jesus highlights the inequality of rich and poor. Jesus appeals to our sense of justice, right and goodness. There is no need for anyone to come back from the dead to warn us of this inequality. The doors between rich and poor can often be locked as were the doors between Dives and Lazarus. Those outside can only knock, protest and even try to break down the doors. The doors must be opened from the inside.

This message of justice and hope for an equal share of the world's goods for everyone is strong in the gospel of Jesus. His heart was on fire with the hope of a better life for the poor. He went to help them simply because they were poor.

The Christian Church, if it is to be faithful to the gospel, should be involved in many ways in the creation of a more just world. The Christian parish takes a special care of
~ the refugee, the migrant, the war and climate challenged,
~ the new poor and ~ the old poor,
~ the unborn, ~ The disabled (Mental/ Physical),
~ the sick, ~ the elderly, ~ and the dying,
in fact all whose voices may not be usually heard.



The parable is meant not to scare with images of punishment, but to make us as aware of the huge inequalities that exist in our world, and in the exploitation of resources in the developing world. Maybe we can pray not to be tormented by any of the pains of this story, but be tormented into action by the hunger, poverty and injustices of our world. Maybe then more doors can be opened from the inside of wealth to the outside of poverty.

Lord, may we build with you a world of justice and peace.



*Sincere sympathies to the families of
Neville Byrne, Rathnew Co. Wicklow*

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

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21st September

ENVELOPE/ CHURCH COLLECTION	- goes towards maintaining our parish	- € 370
1ST COLLECTION / COMMON FUND	- pays salaries of Priests of Diocese	- € 310
2ND COLLECTION/SHARE	- Crosscare Collection	€630
MAINTENANCE	- goes towards Parish upkeep	- €60

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: Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2 – 4

PSALM: Ps. 94:1 –2, 6-9

SECOND READING: Timothy 1:6 - 8 13 – 14

GOSPEL: Luke 17: 5 - 10

Mass of our Angels

Friday 3rd October

at 7.30pm

in

St. Patrick's Church,
Wicklow

This is an opportunity to remember our little ones
who have passed on too soon.

For those who have been touched by the loss of a
child or an unborn infant, you are invited to
come together for

“A Mass of our Angels”.

Whether your loss is recent or a long time ago, you
are very welcome to join us for this very special
Mass.

"I will not forget you -
I have carved you in the
palm of my hand"

Isaiah 49:15



Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

<u>Ashford:</u>	1st Friday after Mass
<u>Wicklow:</u>	Mondays & Thursdays after Mass
<u>Kilbride:</u>	1st Thursday at 7pm (Divine Mercy)
<u>Brittas Bay:</u>	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.

**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 -
All our services are free of charge*

0404 32696 or 086 821 6694

Email info@wicklowcancersupport.ie

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



St. Vincent de Paul Collection :

The Church door quarterly collection for the local conferences will be held on the weekend of the 27th & 28th of September, in Wicklow, Rathnew, Ashford & Glenealy. Your generous support, as normal, of this collection would be very much appreciated.

PLEASE NOTE: The weekend of the 11th and the 12th of October, NO mass in Ashford, Britas Bay, or Kilbride. Masses are still on in Glenealy, Barndarrig, Wicklow and Rathnew.

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



The death of a loved one can be an overwhelming and isolating experience but you don't have to face it alone

If you are grieving the loss of someone special or have had a loss of any kind and would like to talk to someone, Bethany Bereavement Support offer free support to adults, with sympathy and compassion in confidence. We have a drop-in service on the last Tuesday of the month at 8:00 pm in the De La Salle Centre Wicklow, or if you prefer, we can meet with you in person. Just call us on 086 835 9148 to arrange.

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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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**GOD IS OUR
REFUGE AND
STRENGTH, AN
EVER-PRESENT
HELP IN
TROUBLE.**

Psalm 46:1