

# ASHFORD & GLENEALY PARISH

## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

*Ss Peter and Paul, Apostles* Year C  
**29th June 2025**

**RCN 20016166**



### *Gospel Reflection ~ Fr Martin Hogan, Dublin Diocese - Ss Peter & Paul*

Peter and Paul were two very different people who on at least one important issue in the early church were seriously at odds with one another. Peter wanted pagans who entered the church to submit to the Jewish Law, whereas Paul insisted that this was an unnecessary imposition on them.

#### Peter Vs Paul

**Peter** was a fisherman from Galilee, a predominately rural area.

**Paul** was from the university city of Tarsus, in the south of modern day Turkey.

**Peter** was an Aramaic speaking Jew;

**Paul** was a Greek speaking Jew.

**Peter** probably just had the very basic education of his time and place;

**Paul** was clearly a very well educated and literate person.

**Peter**, of course, knew Jesus personally and was with him throughout his public ministry.

**Paul** only ever encountered the risen Lord.

**Peter's** mission was primarily to preach the gospel to the Jews.

**Paul's** mission was to preach the gospel primarily to pagans.

According to **Paul**, in his letter to the Galatians, he met Peter for the first time in the city of Jerusalem, some three years after the risen Lord appeared to Paul, *'after three years, I did go up to Jerusalem to visit Cephas and stayed with him fifteen days'*. No doubt, on that occasion, **Peter** had an opportunity to share with **Paul** his own experiences of Jesus during his public ministry. In spite of their many differences, they were both equally dedicated to serving the Lord.

In the first reading for today, **Peter** was imprisoned for his work of preaching the gospel.

In the second reading Paul speaks as one who is already *'being poured away as a libation'*, a drink offering in the Temple. They were each put to death because of their faith in Christ during the persecution of the church in Rome ordered by Nero, who it is said, blamed the Christians of Rome for the great fire in the city.

The Lord worked very differently but very powerfully through each of them. The Lord wishes to work through each of us and will do so in a way that is unique to each of us. The Lord needs diversity, not uniformity. Yet, he needs us to work in harmony, like the different parts of one body. Sometimes our diversity can cause tension, as sometimes happened between **Peter** and **Paul**, but such tension can be healthy and can ultimately serve the Lord's purposes. Our tensions can be resolved if, like **Peter** and **Paul**, we keep our eyes fixed on the risen Lord whose servants we are.

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For all enquires and bookings

	This week we remember	Next week we remember
<b>SATURDAY</b> 6.00pm ASHFORD		
<b>SUNDAY</b> 10.30am GLENEALY	<b>Peter Reynolds</b> <b>Months Mind</b>	

## ASHFORD & GLENEALY PARISH

### 22nd June 2025

<b>ENVELOPE/ CHURCH COLLECTION</b>	- goes towards maintaining our parish	- € 485
<b>1ST COLLECTION / COMMON FUND</b>	- pays salaries of Priests of Diocese	- € 366
<b>2ND COLLECTION/SHARE</b>	- goes towards Diocesan Administration	€ 320
<b>MAINTENANCE</b>	- goes towards Parish upkeep	- € 60

## 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: Isaiah 66: 10-14**

**PSALM: 65: 1-7, 16, 20**

**SECOND READING: Galatians 6: 14-18**

**GOSPEL: Luke 10: 1-12, 17-20**

### Baptism in the St. Mantan Pastoral Area

<b>Wicklow</b>	<b>First Saturday</b>	<b>2pm</b>
	<b>Third Sunday</b>	<b>1pm</b>
<b>Rathnew</b>	<b>Fourth Saturday</b>	<b>2pm</b>
<b>Ashford</b>	<b>First Sunday</b>	<b>12pm</b>
<b>Glenealy</b>	<b>Third Saturday</b>	<b>12pm</b>
<b>BBK</b>	<b>Second Saturday</b>	<b>2pm</b>

**Next Ashford Meeting is on**  
**Thursday, 24th July at**  
**7.30pm in the church. Please**  
**ring the Parish Office (0404-**  
**61699) to confirm your**  
**attendance at this meeting.**



Archdiocese of Dublin

## Summer Dues

Thank you for  
supporting your priests

**SUMMER  
DUES  
APPEAL  
2025**



# Mass & Blessings of the Graves - 2025

Barndarrig Cemetery: Tuesday, 1st July @ 7.30pm

Three Mile Water Cemetery: Monday, July 7th at 7.30pm

Castletimon Cemetery: Monday, July 14th at 7.30pm

Rathnew Cemetery: Wednesday 16th July at 7.30pm

Glenealy Cemetery: Saturday 19th July at 3.00pm

Killoughter Cemetery: Tuesday 22nd July at 7.30pm

**Peter's Pence is the Popes annual collection** for his charities. This collection depends on financial contributions from the faithful to the Pope. It is used for various needs, including humanitarian initiatives, social projects, and support for the Holy See. It replaces the usual Share Collection and is taken up in every church in the world this weekend. Your support for this collection would be appreciated.



## Mass Schedule B for weekend of the 5th & 6th July Please note changes.

Ashford	Vigil Mass 6.00pm	(Saturday)
Wicklow	Vigil Mass 6.00pm	(Saturday)
Kilbride	9.00am	(Sunday)
Wicklow	10.30am	(Sunday)
Wicklow	12.00pm	(Sunday)
Brittas Bay	12.00pm	(Sunday)

## Congratulations to all couples planning their marriage.

**REMEMBER** ...to give 3 months notice to the parish where you live. Your local parish is responsible for organising the paperwork necessary for the Sacrament of Marriage irrespective of where the wedding will take place. Be sure to get in touch with the Parish Office to make arrangements to complete wedding papers at least 3 months before the date of the proposed wedding.







**We welcome the Missionary Sisters  
of Our Lady of Apostles to our  
Partnership of Parishes this month  
of June, to promote Mission  
Awareness at all Masses in  
Ashford and Glenealy on the  
28/29th of June.**

## 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**

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

Name.....

Contact Number.....

Address.....

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## **PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING CHANGES TO SCHEDULE**

**St Mary's Church Barndarrig**  
**Wednesday 2nd July &**  
**Friday 4th July**  
**Eucharistic Service at 10am**

**St Patrick's Church, Wicklow**  
**Thursday 3rd July**  
**Eucharistic Service at 10am**

**St Joseph's Church Rathnew**  
**Monday 30th June, Tuesday 1st**  
**July & Friday 4th July**  
**Mass at 7.00pm**



"The mysterious journey  
of faith and love, which  
leads Peter and Paul from  
the land of their birth to  
Jerusalem, and then to  
other parts of the world  
and finally to Rome, in a  
certain sense is a model  
of the journey that every  
Christian is called to  
undertake to witness to  
Christ in the world."

St. John Paul II  
(2 July 2002)

Solemnity of

*Sts. Peter and Paul*  
Apostles

JUNE 29

