

Shape Our Future

Support Lay Ministry

Sat 27th &
Sun 28th
April



LAY MINISTRY APPEAL

Will replace the normal SHARE collection this weekend. Your support as usual would be very much appreciated

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.....

Address.....

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WICKLOW COPD

GROUP

COPD Exercise class to help improve your breathing every Monday in the De La Salle Pastoral Centre.

Fully qualified Instructors
Further information from Denis Teevan on 086 8174 703

FR DONAL'S ORDINATION AS AUXILIARY BISHOP

The parish will be organising buses to St. Andrew's Church Westland Row, Dublin, on Sunday 26th May to Westland Row for the Mass installing Fr Donal as Auxiliary Bishop of Dublin.

The bus will cost €15 per person payable before travelling. You need to book your seat through the parish office only. Time & place of departure will be announced closer to date

Relatable Post #3593

Procastinator? No.
I just wait until the last second to do my work because I will be older, therefore wiser.

ASHFORD & GLENEALY PARISH

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

28th April 2024
Fifth Sunday of Easter

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Gospel Reflections

Donal Neary SJ

Without some centre of unity, groups lose their way. A team which puts its eyes on money rather than on teamwork will lose games. A family which relies on anything other than love to keep it together will fall apart. The church, the community of Jesus is something similar.

What keeps the church together at its best is Jesus. Human leadership, moral authority, ritual dogmatism, are not the centre of the church. Leadership can fail, moral authority can take wrong turnings and ritual dogmatism can override the concerns of people. The centre of the church is Jesus Christ. Our unity with Jesus is the central bond of the church. He is the Vine, we the branches.

When we have been let down by the church, like in the situations of abuse, or cover-ups by church authority, we are kept going as Christians by our unity with Jesus.

The image of roots and branches, of fruit and tree, all very much part of each other, is what Jesus uses. Other images like this might be the unity or light and colour in a rainbow.

Only if we can look on Jesus Christ as the centre of our faith can church life be sincere and have the energy which will save and change our world.

Imagine yourself being with Jesus; just the two of you. Share what is in your heart and listen to how his word echoes within you. May we dwell in you, Lord, as you dwell in us. Give us your peace, your energy, your joy.



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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	John Doyle, Ronnie Brown, Elizabeth Kelly	Fr Joseph Doran, Elizabeth, James & Esther Driver, Paul & Jackie Kelly, Ray & Martha Driver & deceased members of the Driver family.

ASHFORD & GLENEALY PARISH
21st April 2024

- ENVELOPE/ CHURCH COLLECTION - goes towards maintaining our parish - €180
- 1ST COLLECTION / COMMON FUND - pays salaries of Priests of Diocese - €415
- 2ND COLLECTION / SHARE - goes towards Diocesan Administration - €315
- MAINTENANCE - goes towards Parish upkeep - €235

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 : Acts 10: 25-26

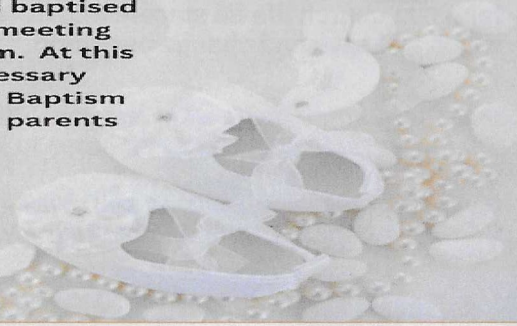
Psalm : 97

Second Reading: 1 John 4:7-10

Gospel: John 15: 9-17

Any parents who wish to have a child baptised are asked to attend an introductory meeting before booking a date for the baptism. At this meeting you will be given all the necessary information about the Sacrament of Baptism and the commitment required of the parents who request it for their child. The next meeting will be on

Thursday 25th April at 7.30pm
in the Church of the Most Holy
Rosary, Ashford



World Peace

We pray for peace in our hearts, in our homes, in our community and in our troubled world, especially in the Middle East and in Ukraine. We pray for those who are suffering, displaced and fearful because of war. Make us instruments of your peace and messengers of hope to those who are troubled.

Wicklow/Ashford Bethany Bereavement Support Group

The death of a loved one is very devastating. Most of us are not prepared for the long journey of grief. At first we don't really believe it. Often by the time the reality hits us our friends and relatives think that we are or should be okay and they go back to their busy lives.

The Bethany Bereavement Support Group is a voluntary parish based ministry which aims to help the bereaved and grieving. Although grieving is a natural process which can be helped by the sympathy and understanding of friends there are times when one needs support to work through it in a positive way. Feelings need to be expressed rather than repressed. It helps the healing process to talk with a trained listener and confront the very strong feelings associated with grief.

Wicklow/Ashford Bethany Bereavement Support Group meet on the last Tuesday of the month in the De La Salle Centre at 8pm and if you are struggling with your grief and think you might like to talk with a trained listener, you are very welcome to attend this meeting. More information from 087 946 8971

This group is also looking for people to join the group as listeners - full training will be given and more information from the above number.



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!

Phone 0404 32696 or 086 821 6694

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

TROCAIRE BOXES

All Trocaire boxes can now be returned to the Parish Office during Office hours - Monday—Friday from 10am till 12.30pm.



Popes intention for April ~ For the role of women We pray that the dignity and immense value of women be recognized in every culture, and for the end of discrimination that they experience in different parts of the world.

