

For Masses  
Next Weekend



Readers



Eucharistic  
Ministers

**Ashford**

Maureen Stockdale  
Des Tully

Marie Tocher  
Lucy Molloy

Vigil –6:00 pm

Sunday 11:00 a.m.

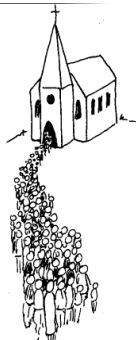
Dick Fitzpatrick  
Fintan Fanning

Brendan Devine  
Denise O'Donnell

**Glenealy**

Margaret O'Neill

Sunday 9:30a.m.



**MASS INTENTIONS NEXT WEEK OCT. 18TH-OCT24TH-**

Glenealy Monday Oct 18th 9am  
 Glenealy Tuesday Oct 19th 9 am  
 Glenealy Wednesday Oct 20th 9:00 am  
 Glenealy Thursday Oct 21st 9 am  
 Glenealy Friday Oct 22nd 9am  
 Ashford Vigil Oct 23rd 6 pm Mary Dowling  
 Glenealy Sunday Oct 24th 9:30am Kenneth Duffy, Mick Doyle  
 Ashford Sunday Oct 24th 11 am Tommy Crean

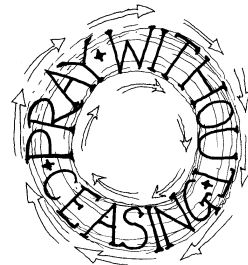


# Welcome to The Parish of Ashford & Glenealy

[www.ashfordparish.com](http://www.ashfordparish.com)

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

**A GOD'S EYE VIEW**



The story of the widow pestering the judge for justice in today's gospel cannot fail to amuse. The poor woman (widows were on the bottom rung of society because of their economic status) must have worn the (important) judge down over time. Judges did not work in buildings; they set up their court in a tent that travelled around their region, rather like our Assizes. So every time he turned up at a new place and pitched his tent, there she was! Eventually he

decided to do something just for a quiet life. And it's her persistence in prayer that Jesus praises. Being persistent in prayer is probably one of the greatest challenges facing us as Christians. It's easy not to pray. We can claim we're busy doing good and don't have the time. We can say that we never seem to get an answer and so what's the point? We can look back on things we asked for that never materialised and so wonder whether God is really bothered by our prayer at all. Prayer isn't words. Prayer is being constantly tuned into God so that we see and interpret our experiences from God's point of view. If we can learn to appreciate God's vantage point then we become less absorbed with our own demands for God to act in this way or that. There is a difference between being persistent and being a pesterer. Being persistent in our prayer is a sign that we are being faithful to staying close to God. Barraging God with what we think should happen is a sign that we have probably not yet come close to wanting God's will to reign. Prayer is a sign that we want to become closer to God and to what God wants for his kingdom on earth. Perhaps it is not too much to say that that by praying we are expressing our desire to become like God. Yes, it is natural to tell God of our plans, our hopes and our fears. It's natural to place others in God's "mind" and ask for their wellbeing. But prayer is first and foremost about our relationship with God, our closeness, our gradual coming to know God's will and his plan for salvation. And while it is natural for us to see things in terms of the present, God's perspective is that of eternity.

**LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTION**

Offertory:	€ 860
Share	€ 557
Planned Giving:	€ 589
Maint. & Devel	€ 146

**REPAIRS TO THE INSIDE OF ASHFORD CHURCH**

**COMMENCE ON MONDAY OCTOBER 11TH**

**A**s parishioners now know we have confirmed that the work on the Church in Ashford will commence on October 11th and should take three to four weeks.



**PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF VENUE FOR WEEKDAY MASS FROM THE 11TH OF OCTOBER**

Please note that during the repairs in Ashford church weekday mass (Monday-Friday) will be celebrated at 9:00 a.m. in Glenealy church.

Masses on Saturday and Sunday remain unchanged.



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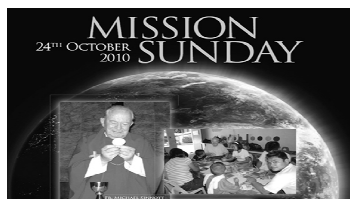
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**Sacristans:** Ashford –Brendan Devine –brendandevine@eircom.net -0879705916  
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**Baptisms:** Ashford 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday each month after 11:00 am Mass.

**Glenealy 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday each month at 12:00 . 3 weeks notice required.**

**Marriages:** Three months notice required by Church and the State . N.B. New Civil law Regulations require that all couples **present themselves to the priest** in the Church before a marriage date can be booked into the Church Diary.



MISSION

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

ALERT

Support is needed by prayer as well as financially. On Mission Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2010 please pray for the universal missions of the Church and give as generously as you can to the Mission Sunday Collection. Every cent of the money donated to this collection goes into a universal fund and is distributed to the missions most in need. All aid is greatly appreciated by communities less fortunate than ourselves and “Together in Mission” may we continue to spread the good news in God’s name.

Mission Sunday Annual Collection -  
24<sup>th</sup> October 2010



## NOVEMBER ALTAR LIST OF THE DEAD

The parish will be compiling the Altar list of the dead for the year ahead, in the coming weeks. As a community we pray for all the names on the list at every First Friday throughout the year and at all Friday masses in the month of November. So if you wish to have your loved ones names inscribed on the list please take a sheet and an envelope from the church exists and return it in the coming weeks.

## Mass of Remembrance



The annual Mass to remember those parishioners who have died in the last year will take place in Ashford Church on Wednesday November 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:30. As well those parishioners who have lost loved ones from outside the parish within the last year are welcome to have them remembered at this mass as well. Please make contact with Celia Mc Watt or Mary Woolly to provide details.

## Youth Choir



The Ashford & Glenealy Church Youth Choir will be starting Christmas Performance Rehearsals from next week.

New members are very welcome.

The audition/practices will be held in Ashford National School on Thursday next commencing at 6:30 pm.

## IRISH CANCER SOCIETY

This year the 10th anniversary walk/run in aid of Irish Cancer Society takes place on Sunday this October 17<sup>th</sup> at 2 pm. It leaves from the Grand Hotel in Wicklow around the new Port Road. If you would like to take part or would like to sponsor them in this very worthwhile cause please contact Ellen at 40669 or 0864043199. All money raised will go toward the Wicklow Hospice.



## EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS 2012

Preparations are now being made for the Eucharistic Congress which will be celebrated in Dublin from June 10<sup>th</sup>-June 17<sup>th</sup> 2012.

Each parish in the country will be offered an opportunity to have parishioners help in organizing as well as attend ;and prior to the celebration a number of specific events will be taking place.

The theme as outlined on the website [www.iec2012.ie](http://www.iec2012.ie):

The Eucharist: Communion with Christ and with One Another is further detailed with a wide variety of resource material available for parishioners to consider. For those who are not computer friendly there will be material supplied over the next few months. Any parishioners who wish to become involved in these preparations on behalf of our parish please contact Brendan Devine who has agreed to be our parish representative.