

For Masses
Next Weekend



Readers



Eucharistic
Ministers

Ashford

Saturday Vigil

Joe Kavanagh
Deirdre Mc Mahon

Marie Togher
Lucy Molloy

Sunday Mass

Dick Fitzpatrick
Fintan Fanning

Denise O'Donnell
Brendan Devine

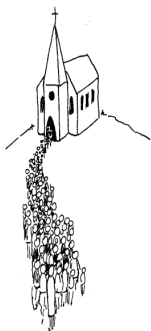
Glenealy

Sunday Mass

Gillian Hick

To be arranged

MASS INTENTIONS NEXT WEEK



Ashford June 27th 9am
Ashford June 28th 9:00am
Ashford June 29th 9:00 am
Ashford June 30th 9:00 am.
Ashford July 1st 9:00am First Friday
Glenealy July 1st 10 am First Friday
Ashford June 25th Vigil
Glenealy June 26th 9:30 am
Ashford Sunday June 26th 11:00 am



BLESSING OF THE GRAVES



There will be blessings of the graves in:
Killoughter Cemetery: Tuesday 26th
July at 7:30 p.m.

Glenealy Cemetery: Wednesday 27th July at 7:30 p.m.

**ANNUAL
PETER'S PENCE
COLLECTION**

The Annual collection for the Pope's charities will be taken up at all masses next weekend the 2nd and 3rd of July. Replacing the usual share collection.

**WICKLOW/RATHNEW
ANNUAL CORPUS CHRISTI
PROCESSION:**

Takes place today Sunday June 26th 2011. at 4.00pm. Procession begins at St. Joseph's Church, Rathnew everyone is welcome to take part: Groups, Clubs and Societies are also welcome to participate.

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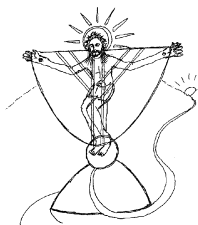


Welcome to The Parish of Ashford & Glenealy

The Body and Blood of Christ

EUCHARIST: PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE

PAST 2,000 years ago on a Thursday evening Jesus ate what was probably a Passover meal with his disciples in the Upper Room. This meal was a memorial of how God had freed the Jewish people by liberating them from slavery and providing them with a promised land. During his meal Jesus told the disciples that from now on they were to eat this meal not in remembrance of Moses and the Exodus but in memory of him. For the bread that they would eat was his body that the next day would be nailed to the cross, and the wine that they would drink was his blood that on the same



Friday would be shed on Calvary.

PRESENT: Today we Christians have a living memorial of that saving action of Christ. It is the eucharist. Over the centuries Christians have never ceased to follow that command of Jesus at the Last Supper. They have gathered together, listened to God's word in the scriptures and then, when they have taken, blessed and broken the bread, they have shared communion by eating and drinking what Christ tells us is his body and blood. In this sacrament of the eucharist Jesus is really present to those who receive him.

His flesh is real food and his blood is real drink because both of them nourish, they sustain us and keep us spiritually healthy. As we eat and drink from the one bread and cup the eucharist becomes a sign of the unity that we share and at the same time it also makes us one in Christ.



FUTURE: The eucharist is food for our journey, medicine for our health and strength for our future. Not simply about the past and present it directs us towards two futures. The first future means that the eucharist is a sign of our commitment to building up the kingdom of God here on earth. So receiving the eucharist is not just an act of devotion; it commits us to action. Through the grace of the Holy Spirit we pledge ourselves to playing our full part in the Church's work of bringing about a world in which justice, peace and holiness reign. And the second future is in the afterlife. The eucharist is a pledge of the heavenly banquet that God has promised to those who listen to the voice of his Son. What we experience in the food of the eucharist is a foretaste of an eternal feast with God. The feast of the Body and Blood of Christ allows us to thank God for this wonderful gift.

**LAST WEEKEND'S
COLLECTION**

Offertory: € 895
Share € 560
Planned Giving: € 305
Maint. & Devel € 135

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Baptisms: Ashford 1st Sunday each month after 11:00 am Mass. 3 Weeks notice required. Glenealy 3rd 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.



GLENEALY CEMETERY MASS

There will be a mass celebrated by a visiting priest Fr Pat Burn at the cemetery in Glenealy on Saturday July 30th. at 3 pm.

RECENT BAPTISM

On Saturday June 18, Fr Kevin celebrated the baptism of **Ross John Fanning**. We extend to his parents and relatives our sincere congratulations.



RECENT WEDDING

On Saturday June 18th the wedding of **Emir Long and Dave McCarthy** took place in Ashford Church. We wish them many years of happiness as they begin their married life!

RECENT DEATH

On Thursday Fr. Kevin celebrated the funeral mass for **Rita Lynch**. We extend to her son and her relatives our sincere sympathy. May she rest in peace.



THE COLLECTION IN SUPPORT
OF THE
EUCCHARISTIC CONGRESS
WILL BE TAKEN UP AT ALL
MASSES THIS WEEKEND
REPLACING THE SHARE
COLLECTION

DIOCESAN LOURDES PILGRIMAGE

Application forms to become Associate Members and in so doing offering to assist in sponsoring those who cannot afford the costs to attend this pilgrimage are being made available at our parish church doors during the weekend of July 16th/17th . Please take a moment to support this very worthwhile cause!

Volunteers wishing to assist with the collection please let Brendan know.



FIRST FRIDAY

Friday next July 1st is First Friday. Masses will be celebrated for the Altar List of the Dead in Ashford at 9 am and in Glenealy at 10 am. The Eucharist will be brought to those confined to their homes after the masses.

A silent hour of Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will take place after the 9 am Mass in Ashford and the 10:00 a.m. mass in Glenealy. The rosary will be recited before the 9:00 a.m. mass in Ashford on that day.

ST. VINCENT
DE PAUL GATE
COLLECTION
THIS
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PLEASE LEND
YOUR
SUPPORT.

ASHFORD DOG SHOW & FETE

Will take place on Sunday 24th July in the Ashford school grounds, dog registration starts at 12:30 p.m. There will be lots to do with novelty side stalls, bouncy castles, pony rides and lots more. If you could donate a cake or a plant or a bottle for the stalls it would be much appreciated. Donations can be left at Fr. Kevin's house or in the sacristy after masses.



P.T.A.A KNOCK PILGRIMAGE

The Wicklow Town Parish Pilgrimage to Knock which is organized by Wicklow Town P.T.A.A . takes place on 17th July. Cost is €45 per person with a deposit of €20 non refundable. Pick up points for our area are Rathnew 7:10 am, Ashford House 7:15 am. To make your booking you may contact Klasse Boutique Wicklow Town. Phone 0404 69356

ANNUAL CHURCHES' GOLF CLASSIC RAFFLE

Our Annual Churches' golf Classic will be held in Wicklow Golf Club on the Friday 12th August 2011. Our CLASSIC RAFFLE is run in conjunction with this event and as usual we need help in the distribution and sale of tickets. We invite anyone willing to help in this important fundraiser to contact Joe Kavanagh. The Raffle is a huge contributor to the fundraising effort and needs a couple of people to take up the challenge of ensuring continued success.



Summer Break!



This will be the last newsletter until after the Summer break however if you have any events you wish to highlight please send them in to us and we will have them included on the events page of the parish website www.ashfordparish.com