

For Masses
Next Weekend

Readers

Eucharistic
Ministers

Ashford

Saturday Vigil

Maureen Stockdale
Des Tully

Ray Kinsella

Sunday Mass

Tom McHugh

Teresa Bourke
Ronnie Connolly

Glenealy

Sunday Mass

Lizzie McElhinney

VOLUNTEERS TO ASSIST WITH WEEKLY COUNT

We are in urgent need of volunteers to assist with the count of the weekly collections. It is hoped that a roster might be developed so that a few teams of volunteers could be called upon to help. Again it is an opportunity to contribute to the parish as the various changes take place and new procedures are introduced. Should you feel you can offer an hour or so on a Sunday afternoon you can leave your name with Fr. Kevin. Your assistance with this initiative would be very much appreciated.



VOLUNTEERS TO FORM BAPTISMAL AND FUNERAL TEAMS

We are looking for volunteers who would form baptismal teams to help prepare couples who wish to have their children baptised in the parish and funeral teams to help parishioners prepare the funeral liturgy. Training will be provided for both ministries. Please leave your name with Fr. Kevin if you think you might be interested.

ANNUAL COLLECTION FOR ST. VINCENT DE PAUL



The annual collection for SVP will be taken up at all masses The weekend of Dec.10/11th.replacing the usual Share collection. SVP services are so very stretched in these times and your support is so much needed. Please be generous as they try to assist those in need!

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Welcome to The Parish of Ashford & Glenealy

Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe



THE LITTLE THINGS

And they said to him... When did we see you hungry?

Do you remember when I first played football for the school and I was desperate for you to come and watch...when I grew a beard and needed your

approval...when I yearned for encouragement and acceptance? That's when.

When did we see you thirsty?

Do you remember when I really wanted to know more about our family history from you...when I asked you to teach me the guitar...when sometimes I just wanted you to hold me tight? That's when.

When did we see you a stranger?

Do you remember when I was new to the area...when I was a friendless refugee...when I started at my new school...when you found out that I was of a different religion from everyone else? That's when.

When did we see you naked?

Do you remember when my business collapsed...when I failed my exam...when I was publicly accused of theft...when I broke down under the strain? That's when.

When did we see you sick?

Do you remember when I was worried to distraction about my daughter...when they laid me off work and I ended up on the dole...when my mother died and I was inconsolable? That's when.

When did we see you in prison?

Do you remember when I felt trapped in the home and needed someone to mind the children...when I got divorced and was so alone...when guilt seemed to overpower me...when I borrowed and got into debt...when drink ruled my life? That's when.

It's the little things that count.



LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTION

Offertory: € 770
CYC: € 935
Planned Giving: € 625
Maint. & Devel € 105

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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.



MEETING FOR PARENTS OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CHILDREN ASHFORD

A meeting for parents of children celebrating First Holy Communion in Ashford will take place in Ashford school at 7:30 p.m. On Tuesday the 13th of December the children will celebrate their enrolment mass on Sunday the 18th of December at 11:00 a.m. mass in Ashford church. We ask that you remember the children in your prayers in the coming weeks and months.

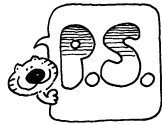
HOLY ROSARY SCHOOL ASHFORD CHRISTMAS FAIR



A date for your diary the Ashford school Fair will take place on Sunday the 27th November from 12:30 until 3:00 p.m.

Come along and enjoy the fun day while supporting your local school.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL FUNDRAISING EVENT



The local conference of SVP are hosting a fundraising benefit concert this Sunday November 20 at 8 pm in the Grand Hotel Wicklow .Entrance is

€ 10 and €5 for seniors. A free raffle for a Christmas turkey goes with your entrance ticket!!A great nights entertainment for a very worthy cause is promised. Please support them if you can!

ROTAS FOR EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS AND READERS OF THE WORD.

The new year rotas will be available for collection after masses next weekend .

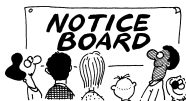
MASS FOR THE PARISHIONERS WHO DIED IN THE PAST YEAR

The annual mass for the deceased of the parish will take place in Glenealy church on Wednesday the 23rd of November at 7:30 p.m. If you wish to a loved one who died in the past year included on the list please leave the name with Fr. Kevin . ,Celia @40790 or Mary @ 012810482



MEETING FOR PARENTS OF CHILDREN CELEBRATING CONFIRMATION IN ASHFORD

A meeting for parents of children celebrating Confirmation in Ashford will take place on Monday the 5th of December at 7:30 p.m. in Ashford school. The commitment mass will take place on Sunday the 11th of December at 11:00 a.m. in Ashford church. We wish the young people every blessing in this special year.



CAROL SERVICE



The Youth choir will hold their annual Carol Service in aid of Crumlin Hospital on Friday the 16th of December. So put that date in your diary.

RECENT BAPTISM

On Sunday last Fr. Kevin celebrated the baptism of William Samuel Connors. We extend to his parents and relatives our sincere congratulations on this happy occasion



NEXT WEEKEND

We welcome Fr. Tim Hannon P.P. of Wicklow to our parish. Fr. Kevin will be in Wicklow parish that weekend. This will take place on the last Sunday of each month., as our parishes work together for the mission of the Church.



THE ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CAROLS & TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY

The 2nd Annual Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony & Carol Singing will be held on Saturday, 10th December at 4.30 p.m. sharp in the grounds of Ashford Church.

The Ceremony will again see the combined choirs of Ashford National School, Nun’s Cross National School and the Unity Gospel Choir. Everyone from far and near is welcome, so come along, bring your family and friends.

Join in the festivities of carol singing, bell ringing and Christmas cheer.

