

For Masses  
Next Weekend



Readers



Eucharistic  
Ministers

Ashford

Saturday Vigil

John Holly  
Celia McWatt

Carmel Grant  
Marie Togher

Sunday Mass

Dick Fitpatrick  
Fintan Fanning

Denise Collis Lee  
Pat Ferguson

Glenealy

Sunday Mass

To be arranged

### MASS INTENTIONS NEXT WEEK

Ashford June 13th 9am No Intention

Ashford June 14th 9:00am A Special Intention

Ashford June 15th 9:45 am Johnny

Anderson

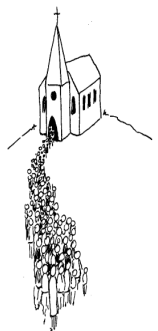
Ashford June 16th 9:00 am. A Special Intention

Ashford June 17th 9:00am Larry Nugent

Ashford June 18th Vigil Brian Grant

Glenealy June 19th 9:30 am

Ashford Sunday June 19th 11:00 am Noel & Maureen Finan



### 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.



### Summer Break!

The production team (Brendan and Fr. Kevin) will be taking the summer break from the news sheet effective July 2nd. Should you have an items you'd like mentioned that will be taking place during the summer months you might consider having them mentioned in one of the remaining news letters. Or else send them in to us and we will have them included on the events page of the parish website [www.ashfordparish.com](http://www.ashfordparish.com)



# Welcome to The Parish of Ashford & Glenealy

## Pentecost Sunday

### ON OUR SIDE

It's quite common these days to see on the TV news that someone is starting an appeal against the justice system. They believe that all the evidence did not come out, that their confession was made under duress, or that they were wrongly convicted due to a miscarriage of justice.

Usually they don't understand the law well enough, so they employ an expensive high-profile lawyer to put their case. These lawyers are paid to do two things for their clients:

they act as an advocate and they appeal.

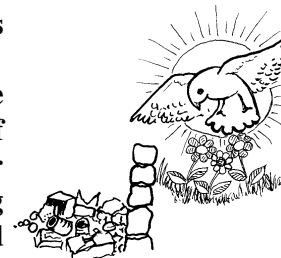
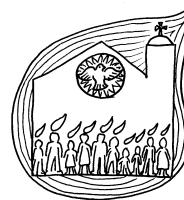
An advocate is someone we call to be by our side when we are in need. (Paraclete is the same word in Greek). Having an advocate simply means that by ourselves we can't cope; the situation is too complex for us to be able to deal with it alone.

When a lawyer appeals, he or she acts on behalf of the client to ensure that the court sees the individual not in a biased light but in a sympathetic way. An appeal commends the person to the court, asks that any negative decision be removed and that the client be treated in a favourable way.

This is how Jesus describes the Holy Spirit. He asks the Father to send us an Advocate or Paraclete and he says that the Advocate will be with us for ever.

There are many situations in life that we feel we are not up to. We are daunted by the prospect of committing ourselves to a partner, of bringing up our children, of educating our family in faith, of feeding and clothing them etc. At the same time we find ourselves at crossroads in life when our decisions are going to have long-term implications for our future. This is when we need an Advocate.

Jesus tells us that the Spirit will be by our side if we call upon him. He will defend us and direct us towards the truth, he will sustain us when things prove difficult and he will put words into our mouths when we don't know how to express ourselves. But, unlike other advocates, he won't charge a fee.



### LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTION

Offertory: € 667

Share: € 396

## Parish Information

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Glenealy- Eleanor O'Neill 0404-44469

**Baptisms:** Ashford 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday each month after 11:00 am Mass. 3 Weeks notice required. 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.

## SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS

There will be a special collection on the weekend of the 26th of June in support of the Eucharistic Congress which is to take place in June 2012. In anticipation of this event we are asked to show our support. As we know this will be a world event and our preparation to host the many who will attend will demand our strong commitment. Please be as generous as you can be. This collection will replace the SHARE collection at the masses.



## 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.

## CALLING ALL CHILDREN WHO CELEBRATED FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

The final celebration for the children who made their First Communion this year will take place in Ashford parish on Sunday June 26th the Feast of Corpus Christi at 9:30 a.m. mass in Glenealy and at the 11:00 a.m. mass in Ashford.

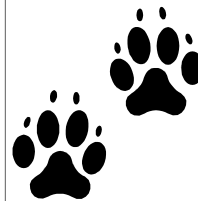
We encourage the children to come along on the day dressed in their communion best and join in this celebration.



## IRISH CANCER SOCIETY

Will present an information evening "Understanding the Emotional Effects of Cancer" at the Camden Court Hotel, Camden St. Dublin on Monday June 13th from 6:30 p.m. Admission is free but places are limited. To book you may contact Valerie at 01 2310 518 or by email to vabbott@irishcancer.ie

## ANNUAL DOG SHOW



A meeting will be held in the School next Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> June at 8.00pm to continue the planning for this year's event.

All those who helped last year, and any new willing helpers, are invited and welcome to attend this meeting to discuss arrangements for the show. Last year's show was a big success thanks to the many helpers involved and we hope to hold a bigger attraction this year. **Please contact Robert Carter, Peter Hanlon or Joe Kavanagh if you are interested in helping out.**

## 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.



## WICKLOW/RATHNEW



## ANNUAL CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION:

This year's procession marks the beginning of the Parish's preparation for the Eucharistic congress. Sunday June 26th 2011. Begins at 4.00pm. Procession begins at St. Joseph's Church, Rathnew and Proceeds around the Village and finishes back at the church. Everyone is welcome to take part: Groups, Clubs and Societies are also welcome to participate.

## ASHFORD PARISH LAY MINISTERS GATHERING



A reminder that the gathering for all who assist in our churches will be taking place in Clermont Campus on Saturday Jun 18 from 9:30.

The day led by Fr. Peter McVerry and Sr. Amelda Wickham promises to be a very worthwhile, semi retreat ;a time as well which will give all involved in church ministry an opportunity to share a day together Many thanks to Paddy Andrews and his team for all their work bringing it together