

## GLANMIRE PARISH 9th Februrary 2025 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time



St Joseph's Church	St Michael's Church	
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 10am		
Wed 10.00 am Liturgy of the Word		
Saturday Vigil 6 pm		
Sunday 10.30 am and 12 Noon	Sunday 9.30 am	

St Joseph's Church Adoration on Monday night 7.30 pm -8.30 pm.

Adoration in the Parish Centre Friday 10.30 am - 6 pm.

St Michael's Church open daily from 9am - 4pm.

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## Reflection

The theme of today's reading is that God does not call the most likely or those who appear to be the best qualified people to get his message across. A secondary theme is that the call can come in very different ways.

So why does God appear to call unlikely people to be his followers and preachers.

Notice, that the people God/Jesus chooses to help him are not exactly the most gifted preachers or prophets. Isaiah was very aware of his limitations but a vision helped him to accept his call. St Paul was initially very anti Christian and used to persecute until a dramatic event changed his life. St Paul was also conscious of his limitations as a preacher. The apostles

themselves were a motley crew of quite ordinary men initially. However, by answering Jesus' call they slowly but surely became far better, courageous and effective preachers.

So how has God called you?

Have you recognised his call?

Have you recognised his call and ignored or said not just yet?

Did something dramatic have to happen to you in order for you to recognise that you had to repent (change), do penance (take stock of the way you lived your life) and believe in the gospel.

So today be open to the Lord, as he speaks to you through your conscience. When you pray, when you reflect or meditate or in the new thoughts that may have come to you as you listened to today's readings

## Liturgy of the Word

As you know, we have had no weekday Mass in in St Joseph's Church, Springhill, on Wednesdays for the past 3 years approx. Since then members of the liturgy group have led a Liturgy of the Word on Wednesday mornings, so that we could gather and pray together. Due to dwindling numbers in attendance, it has been decided to conclude these liturgies indefinitely on February 12<sup>th</sup> next. The church will remain open as always for private payer.

Offertory	St Joseph's	€1608.00	St Michael's	€292.00	€1900.00
2 <sup>nd</sup> Feb	-				

## Lourdes 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection next weekend is for The Lourdes Invalid Fund. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Medjugorje International Youth Festival 2nd to 9th August 2025. Spiritual Director Rev. David Lane. €799.00 half board including flights from Cork. €50 discount if deposit paid by 15th January. Travel with Joe Walsh Tours. Group Leader Anna O'Shaughnessy 089 4038650 / 0862959380