



THE GHOST OF GLENDALOUGH

SPOOKY: Family snap mystery 'monk'

By Caroline Crawford

WHAT started as a happy family day out in Glendalough, has turned into a chilling mystery.

A ghostly monk-like figure has turned up in a photo which a Dublin dad captured on his mobile.

The eerie picture is so spine-chilling that staff at Glendalough are investigating the occurrence.

The spooky image resembles a 17th century monk standing guard at the popular tourist haunt.

Paul Lyons was at the historic site with his sons Mark (10) and Robert (15), when a family snap revealed an extra figure.

"As we were walking

towards the Cathedral, I just happened to take a snap of them," Paul said. "The picture took in a bit of the Cathedral and caught the main doorway which was empty."

It was later that evening as Paul was looking at the pictures that a chill went down his spine.

"When I zoomed in I could see a figure standing at the doorway. There was a good few people around but there was no way you could mistake this person for a tourist.

"I couldn't believe what I was seeing. No way was that guy in the vicinity when I took the picture," said Paul.

A figure, dressed like a traditional monk, can be

seen standing by the doorway of the Cathedral. The figure's face cannot be seen.

"It looks as if he is on guard. He's wearing a dark brown outfit that looks like a monk with a satchel on his shoulder," said Paul.

"He's very well defined but he has no face at all. That is the creepiest bit."

Paul phoned the visitor centre at Glendalough.

"The first question I asked was did they have any staff who dressed as monks. They said definitely not."

He was told by employees that this wasn't the first time that something spooky was seen at the historical site.



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