

**Weekly Notices –
Sunday 26th February 2017**

Gathering Hymn
All People that on Earth Do Dwell

All people that on earth do dwell,
Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice;
Serve him with gladness, praise him well,
Come now before him and rejoice.

Enter his gates with songs of praise,
Come to his courts, approach with joy;
Honour and bless him all our days,
Gladly for God our lives employ.

Truly the Lord our God is good,
His mercy is forever sure;
His truth at all times firmly stood
And shall from age to age endure.

Recessional Hymn
Praise My Soul the King of Heaven

Praise my soul the King of Heaven,
To his feet your tribute brings.
Ransomed, healed, restored forgiven,
Who am I his praise to sing?

**R/ Praise him, praise him,
praise him,
praise him,
Praise the everlasting King.**

Praise him for his grace and favour,
To our fathers in distress;
Praise him still the same for ever
Slow to chide and swift to bless. R/

Mass Intentions

Saturday 6.30 p.m.	25th February Bridget Larkin Patrick (Paddy) Kinsella Elizabeth Kinsella Patrick (Pat) Kinsella Nancy Anderson Jimmie Mills (Jnr) George Cassell
Sunday 8.30 a.m. 11.30 a.m.	26th February Madge Sheerin Mark Synnott & Breda Synnott Bernadette Kavanagh John O'Halloran Brian & Orla O'Halloran Michael Brauders Ben Doyle Seán Walsh Patrick Jackman Bernadette Tyrrell Anne Lambert
7.00 p.m.	27th February -
Monday 8.00 a.m. 10.00 a.m.	Lucy & John Laffan
Tuesday 8.00 a.m. 10.00 a.m.	28th February -
Wednesday 8.00 a.m. 10.00 a.m. 7.30 pm.	1st March (Ash Wednesday) -
Thursday 8.00 a.m. 10.00 a.m.	2nd March Marion Duffy (B'day Remembrance) James McDonald & Kathleen Ball Marie Keane
7.30 p.m.	-
Friday 8.00 a.m. 10.00 a.m. 7.30 p.m.	3rd March Altar List of the Dead Altar List of the Dead Altar List of the Dead
Saturday 10.00 a.m.	4th March -

**PARISH FAST for MUTOMO HOSPITAL on
GOOD FRIDAY April 14th**

*Thank you for your continued
support. New support is
very welcome.*



St. Patrick's Day – Mass Times

Vigil Mass (Thursday) – 6.30p.m.
St. Patrick's Day – 8.30am. and 11.30a.m.



The Parish Pastoral Council

Our current Parish Pastoral Council has completed its term of office. We thank all those who have served on it and we acknowledge with grateful thanks all the good works done by it over these recent years.

The work and journey of finding a new Council **commences this weekend**, when Mr. Leonard Kaye, who has many year's experience in assisting parishes with the setting up of Parish Pastoral Councils will speak at all Parish Masses both here and in Johnstown. We ask parishioners at this stage to pray earnestly for the success of this process, praying that the Holy Spirit might encourage many parishioners to think about their own suitability to serve on the Council – and to pray deeply about others whom they think might have a contribution to make.



'the eyes, ears and heart of the parish' – a parishioner

Many thanks for supporting last weekend's annual collection for **ACCORD**, the diocesan agency for marriage and the family. A total of €1688.00 was collected in our parish.

Morning Prayer of the Church for Lent starts on Ash Wednesday, 1st March at 9.45 a.m. In the event of a funeral it will be at the earlier time of 9.40a.m.

World Day of Prayer takes place at 7.30p.m. on Friday 3rd March in St. Joseph's Church, Templeraíne. All are invited and most welcome. Refreshments afterwards

Lenten **Trocáire Boxes** are available in all Church Porches.

Arklow Parish Lourdes Group: The office for Arklow Parish Lourdes Group opens in Árus Lorcáin on Friday 3rd March from 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. The pilgrimage takes place from 6th to 13th September at a cost of €799 per person sharing, single room supplement €210. For further details please contact Dermot & Bridget Green on 0402-33171 or 087-6314437.

Caring For The Future Of Our Planet: *Exploring the environmental impact of our lifestyles in view of creating a sustainable world for our children.* There will be 4 nights of reflection on this topic informed by Pope Francis' Letter Laudato Si. Venue: Brockagh Resource Centre, Laragh. Time 8.00p.m. Beginning Monday 6th March.

Friends of Local People with Multiple Sclerosis are holding their Annual General Meeting in the Pastoral centre beside St. Michael's Church on Sunday 5th March at 2.30p.m.

Date for your Diary – Sunday 11th June, Croghan Climb in aid of NANDRI (Child Aid Ireland-India) Fr. Michael will have more details nearer the time.

With Sympathy

Sympathies are extended to the family and
friends of **Anna HAYDEN**
Alfie O'LEARY
James PRESTAGE
Desmond Cardinal CONNELL



Who died recently.
May they rest in peace.



Making Lent Meaningful.....

**Lent begins on Wednesday 1st March
– Ash Wednesday. Ashes will be
blessed and distributed at all
Masses, 8 a.m., 10 a.m. and 7.30p.m.**

**A leaflet with prayers and resources
to help and encourage you on your
Lenten journey will be available in
the Church on Ash Wednesday.**



There will be **three Masses** each week day during Lent, Monday to Friday 8 a.m., 10 a.m. and 7.30 p.m. Saturday will be as usual at 10a.m. and 6.30p.m.

As part of our **Lenten Journey** a number of parishioners have volunteered to give a 2 minute talk during the 7.30p.m. Mass. The theme is of their choosing but is based on Christian Topic. Please get in touch with Fr. Michael soon if you would like to volunteer as they days are quickly filling.