



**Saturday 7th March 6.30pm**

Seamus Donegan (2nd Anniv & 80th Birthday Remembrance)  
Pat (Gouch) Kinsella (Anniv)  
Kay & Sam Kehoe (Anniv)  
Kevin & Elizabeth Craine (Anniv)  
Ann Byrne (Anniv)

**Sunday 8.30am 8th March**

Edna Nicholson (Anniv)  
Eddie White (Anniv)

**11.30am**

Ann Byrne (1st Anniv)  
Lizzie & Tom Roche (11th Anniv)  
Christy Rush (41st Anniv)  
Elizabeth & Sean Whealan (Anniv)  
Paddy Cox (Anniv)  
Willy & Betty Tyrrell (Anniv)  
Majella Maguire (Anniv)

**Tuesday 10th March 10am**

James Carolan (Anniv)

**Wednesday 11th March 10am**

Bill Hughes (Anniv)

**Castletown**

**Saturday 7th March 8pm**

Una O'Neill (Anniv)

**Johnstown**

**Sunday 8th March 10am**

Charles Redmond (1st Anniv)  
Fiachra O'Lionáin (21st Anniv)

**Week Three**

*Week Three, the middle of Lent, the week when our resolve can be sorely tested. This is the week not to give up .....*

Lord,  
Be my strength as I seek help with the efforts of this week. May I put my trust in you, and in your love for me. I ask you to bless me and to be my hope.

In your goodness help me this week not to lose heart and give up but to persevere in my resolve.

Grant me the wisdom to see the best in others rather than being judgmental about their failings, for you see the best in me.

May you encourage me throughout this week with the power of your love, so that I may never forget all the blessings you give me as I seek to keep close to you.

**I know you will be my strength. Amen**

**Extra Masses during Lent**

*Friday 13th March*

*Mass St David's Johnstown 10am*

*Friday 20th March*

*Mass St David's Johnstown 10am*

*Monday 23rd March*

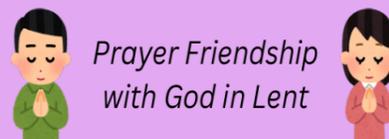
*Mass St Patrick's Castletown 10am*

*Friday 27th March*

*Mass St David's Johnstown 10am*

*Monday 30th March*

*Mass St Patrick's Castletown 10am*



**Prayer Friendship with God in Lent**

Something Positive for Lent 2026

*"Lord increase my Faith"- a unique opportunity to deepen your Prayer Life*

Wednesdays of Lent - 25<sup>th</sup> February, 4<sup>th</sup> March, 11<sup>th</sup> March, 18<sup>th</sup> March & 25<sup>th</sup> March  
Árus Lorcaín at 7.30pm

*When you hear the word Prayer you sometimes gloss over it as if it is something boring or something you will leave till later. But Prayer is talking to and listening to God, the God who created all living things, and who gave us His Son, Jesus.*

*Prayer is an exciting adventure. Lent is a time of extra Prayer, fasting and helping others. Why not give this short series of reflection as time for yourself and God by developing your prayer life for Lent and beyond. You are most welcome to attend and take part.*

**CONFIRMATION**  
Parent & Candidate Workshop  
For Carysfort National School & Gaelscoil an Inbhir Mór confirmation candidates & their parents  
Thursday, 19<sup>th</sup> March 2026  
7:00pm in Árus Lorcaín, Parish Centre  
Guiding Your Child's Faith Journey  
Discovering Who You Are Called to Be  
Living Out Your Faith Every Day  
ARKLOW PARISH  
Sts. Mary & Peter's, Arklow  
St. David's, Johnstown

The Epilepsy Society will hold a Church Gate Collection today, Please Support.



Best Wishes to Arklow Music Festival, to all the Committee Members and to everyone taking part in this very Special Festival.

Gaelscoil an Inbhir Mhóir  
Ceremony of Light  
Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> March  
6.30pm Mass  
Scoil Ghormáin Naofa  
Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> March  
St Patrick's Church  
8pm Mass



Thanks to the kind person who donated €500 to Trócaire.



Parish of Sts. Mary & Peter, Arklow  
with St David's Johnstown  
Third Sunday of Lent  
8th March 2026



**Family Mass**  
Saturday 14th March  
6.30pm  
Sts Mary & Peter Arklow  
All are welcome

**Liturgical Calendar March**

Monday 9th St Frances of Rome  
Wed 11th St Aengus

**With Sympathy**

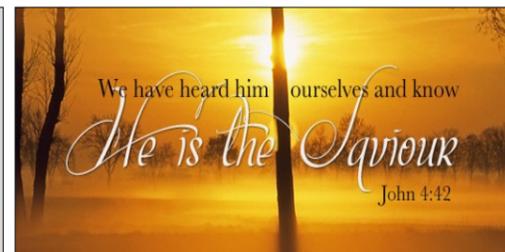
Sympathies are extended to the family and friends of  
Paul Lalor  
Fr John McLaughlin SSC  
Fr Colman Cooke  
&  
Fr Oliver Leavy  
May they rest in peace.



**PARENT SUPPORT EVENING**

3RD MONDAY OF EACH MONTH  
JANUARY - JUNE  
7.30PM - 9PM

2026 DATES  
• 19<sup>th</sup> January  
• 16<sup>th</sup> February  
• 16<sup>th</sup> March  
• 20<sup>th</sup> April  
• 18<sup>th</sup> May  
• 15<sup>th</sup> June  
Parkview Hotel  
Newtownmountkennedy  
A63 FX72  
Bereaved parents please join us  
For online meetings and more information contact: info@anamcara.ie  
www.anamcara.ie  
085 288 8888



**St David's Johnstown Eucharistic Adoration**  
Monday 11am to 6pm



**St Patrick's Day**  
17th March  
Monday 16th March  
Vigil Mass Arklow 6.30pm  
Vigil Mass Castletown 8pm  
Tuesday 17th March  
Johnstown 10am  
Arklow 11.30am

**Church works**

Work is taking place to clean and restore the Brass in the Church.

**Important**

**If you require an Anniversary Mass to appear on the Parish newsletter or a notice to be advertised, please notify the Parish Office on the Wednesday before the weekend.**

**Entrance Hymn:**

**'Christ be near at either hand'**

Christ be near at either hand,  
Christ behind, before me stand,  
Christ with me where e'er I go,

Christ around, above below.

Christ be in my heart and mind,  
Christ within my soul enshrined,  
Christ control my wayward heart;

Christ abide and ne'er depart.  
Christ my life and only way,  
Christ my lantern night and day;  
Christ be my unchanging friend,

Guide and shepherd to the end.

**Recessional Hymn**

**Here I am Lord**

I, the Lord of sea and sky,  
I have heard my people cry,  
All who dwell in dark and sin,  
my hand will save.

I who made the stars of night,  
I will make their darkness bright.

Who will bear my light to them?  
Whom shall I send?

**Here I am Lord, is it I Lord. I have heard you calling in the night. I will go Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.**

I the Lord of wind and flame.  
I will tend the poor and lame.  
I will set a feast for them.  
My hand will save. Finest bread I will provide,  
till their hearts be satisfied.  
I will give my life to them  
Whom shall I send? R