

Saturday 13th December 6.30pm

Finan Doyle (Month's Mind) Paddy & Stasia O'Toole (Anniv) Theo Hickson & Family (Anniv)

Sunday 14th December 8.30am

Nadine Lott (6th Anniv)

11.30am

Doreen Mulhall (Month's Mind) Peter Hagan (Month's Mind) Patrick Thompson (Jnr) (1st Anniv) Martin Kenny (2nd Anniv) Billy Kelly (15th Anniv) Paddy & Rose Thompson

(Anniv) Patrick Thompson & Elizabeth Thompson (20th Anniv)

Patrick Jones (Anniv)

Nicholas Jones (Anniv)

Corina Papa (Anniv)

Eugene Tansey (Anniv)

Mark Canavan (Anniv)

15th December **Monday 10am**

Ned Nicholson (Anniv)

Christmas Intention

Gerald Hudson Elizabeth Hudson Mary Hudson Myler John Myler Fr Mayhu

16th December Tuesday 10am

Stacy Doyle (1st Anniv) Mary Brauders (4th Anniv)



Wednesday 17th December 10am

Lily Murray (1st Anniv) Angelo Aprile (Anniv)

Johnstown

Sunday 14th December 10am

Angela O'Leary (Anniv)



Liturgical Calendar December

Thursday 18th St Flannan Saturday 20th St Fachanan





The Pope's Intentions December 2025

For Christians in areas of conflict

Let us pray that Christians living in areas of war or conflict, especially in the Middle East, might be seeds of peace, reconciliation and hope.



We have many parishioners who came to Mass regularly who are now sick or confined to their homes. If you know of anybody who would like a visit from the Priest with Holy Communion & Anointing of the Sick please contact Siobhán 085 2534718

Parish of Sts. Mary & Peter, Arklow with St David's Johnstown Third Sunday of Advent Gaudete Sunday 14th December 2025

Gaudete Sunday

The third Sunday of Advent is also called Gaudete Sunday. Gaudete is

a Latin word that means "rejoice." We mark this Sunday by the Priest wearing a pink Vestment and lighting a pink candle instead of a purple one on the Advent wreath. It is a reminder that the Advent season is a season of joy because our salvation is already at hand. The Third Candle symbolizes joy and is called the "Shepherd's Candle " To the



Shepherd's great joy, the angels announced that Jesus came from humble, unimportant people like them, too. In liturgy, the colour rose signifies joy.

Recessional Hymn

To you shall come

Gathering Hymn

Until the Son of God

To you shall come

radiance bright,

glorious light,

of night.

put to fight.

Emmanuel.

here,

appears.

Emmanuel

O Come, O Come Emmanuel

To free your captive Israel,

That mourns in lonely exile

Rejoice, Rejoice O Israel,

O come great daystar,

And heal us with your

Disperse the gloomy clouds

And death's dark shadows

Rejoice, Rejoice, O Israael,

When creation was begun, God had chosen you to be, Mother of his blessed son, Holy Mary full of grace.

Ave, Ave, Ave Maria. When Creation was restored You were there beside the Lord, Whom you cherished and adored Holy Mary full of grace.

Ave, Ave, Ave Maria. Lead us to your child above He will teach us how to love How to pity and forgive Holy Mary full of grace. Ave, Ave, Ave Maria.

With Sympathy

Sympathies are extended to the family and friends of Bethia Walsh Mary Doyle (née Kearon)

Mary Alyward (née Ruttledge)

John Conway May they rest in peace.

CHRISTMAS FOOD POVERTY APPEAL







Ss Michael & Peter Junior School

Carol Service

Monday 15th Dec 11.30am

St John's Senior School

Carol Service

Wednesday 17th Dec 1.30pm

St Mary's College

Carol Service