



**Saturday 16th May 6.30pm**

Seamus Walker (1st Anniv)  
Lucy Sweeney (11th Anniv)  
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William & Marie Byrne  
Dolores Dempsey  
Mary Leahy  
John Geraghty

**Sunday 17th May 11.30am**

Desmond Brehony (Month's Mind)  
Michael Corr (Month's Mind)  
Betty O'Leary (Month's Mind)  
Matt McCrudden (19th Anniv)  
Kathleen & Des Brehony (Anniv)  
John O'Leary (Anniv)  
John O'Reilly (Anniv)

Sunday 17th May  
Traditional Rosary  
Arklow Rock 3pm



**Congratulations to Ciara Weadick & Sean McAleer who were Married on Friday 15th May Sts Mary & Peter Church Arklow**



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

# Fr. Pádraig's 40<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF HIS ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD

Please join us as we celebrate 40 years of faith, service and grace.

**SATURDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> MAY 6:30PM MASS**

FOLLOWED BY A CELEBRATION IN ARUS LORCAIN

Thank you, Lord, for 40 years of faith, service and grace.

As we prepare for this special celebration, we would love to know how many people plan to attend.

If you intend to stay for the celebration after Mass, please contact the Parish Office to indicate your intention to attend.

Following Mass, everyone is invited to continue the celebrations with refreshments and a social gathering in Árus Lorcáin. We would love to see you there as we mark this joyful occasion together.

**ALL ARE WELCOME**

## Liturgical Calendar May

Monday 18th St John I  
Wed 20th St Bernardine  
Thurs 21st Ss Christopher Magallanes and Companions  
Friday 22nd St Rita if Cascia

## The Alzheimer Society of Ireland and Michelle Bardon

would like to sincerely thank all the wonderful staff in Árus Lorcáin for their hard work, dedication, and support during the Tea Day held on 11th May.

The day was a tremendous success, and this would not have been possible without the commitment and kindness shown by every member of staff. We would also like to thank the amazing community of Arklow, the local shops, businesses, and everyone who supported the event so generously.

All money raised will go back into the Social and Activity Club and the Rathdrum Dementia Centre to help provide activities and outings for clients, including trips, flower arranging, music sessions, arts and crafts, and many more enjoyable experiences.

## Final Reminder

**Trocáire boxes** please return all Trocáire boxes to the Parish Office by the 20th May

**Parish of Sts. Mary & Peter, Arklow with St David's Johnstown The Ascension of the Lord World Communications Day 17th May 2026**

'The Ascension of Christ means our own salvation as well; where the glorius Head has gone before, the body is called to follow in hope. Let us therefore exult, beloved, as is fitting, and let us rejoice in devout thanksgiving. For on this day not only have we been confirmed in our possession of paradise, but we have even entered heaven in the person of Christ; through his grace we have regained far more than we had lost through the devil's hatred'.

**Congratulations to the young people from St John's Senior School & Carysfort National School who received their Sacrament of Confirmation on Saturday 16th May Well done**

**Congratulations to the Children from Gaelscoil and Inbhir Mhóir who received their Sacrament of First Holy Communion Please keep these children in your prayers**

## Building Hope

### Novena to the Holy Spirit

Our Dedicated period of prayer, reflection and planning for the renewal of the Church in the Archdiocese of Dublin. The Building Hope Novena will take place in the nine days from 17th/25th May beginning on the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord, through Pentecost and continuing to the Feast of Mary, Mother of the Church on Monday 25th May. Novena Prayer cards are available on the altar rails. Please take one home.

*God goes up with shouts of joy; the Lord goes up with trumpet blast Psalms 46.6*

**Teen Hope LEADER'S TRAINING**  
Teen Hope is a parish-based faith outreach to young teenagers. It is a space where they can build friendships, and encounter an experience of welcome, belonging and discipleship.  
Modules focus on 'Building Community', 'Exploring Faith Together', and 'Praying with Teens'.  
7 pm to 9 pm - Training offered in 3 locations Attendance at the 3 Sessions Compulsary

<b>Whitehall Parish Centre</b> D09 E2R2 <b>Tuesday</b> May 19th May 26th June 2nd	<b>Maynooth Parish Centre</b> W23 EV2X <b>Wednesday</b> May 20th May 27th June 3rd	<b>Arklow Parish Centre</b> Y14 R822 <b>Thursday</b> May 21st May 28th June 4th
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REGISTER NOW

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## Entrance Hymn

Hail, Queen of Heav'n, the ocean star, Guide of the wand'rer here below:  
Thrown on life's sure, we claim thy care:  
Save us from peril and from woe. Mother of Christ, star of the sea, Pray for the wand'rer pray for me.  
O gentle, chaste, and spotless maid, We sinners make our prayers through thee:  
Remind thy Son that he has paid, The price of our iniquity. Virgin most pure, star of the sea, Pray for the sinner, pray for me

## Recessional Hymn Queen of the May

Bring flowers of the rarest, bring blossoms the fairest, from garden and woodland and hillside and dale.  
Our full hearts are swelling, our glad voices telling the praise of the loveliest flower of the vale.  
O Mary we crown thee with blossom today.  
Queen of the Angels and Queen of the May.  
O Mary, we crown thee with blossoms today.  
Queen of the Angels and Queen of the May.  
Their lady they name thee, Their mistress proclaim thee,  
Ah, great that thy children on earth be as true as long as the bowers are radiant with flowers, as long as the azure shall keep its bright hue.