

Mass Intentions	
Saturday	7th May
6.30pm	Frances Sweeney (Months Mind) Conor Brauders Doyle Peter Kenny May Forde
Sunday	8th May
8.30am	Mary & John Hagan
11.30am	Kitty O'Connor Kathleen & Des Brehony
Friday	13th May
10.00am	Mary Leahy Alec Murray

World Day of Prayer for Vocations 8th May 2022

The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice.

The Fourth Sunday of Easter is known as Vocations Sunday or Good Shepherd Sunday, and is dedicated as the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. The Church sets aside this day each year to fulfil Jesus' instruction to "Pray the Lord of the harvest to send labourers into his harest" (Matthew 9.38)

While every person has a vocation in life, we focus at this time to pray for vocations to the Priesthood, Diaconate and Religious Life. The opening line from the Gospel Passage this year is "The Sheep that belong to me listen to my voice; I know them and they follow me." We pray that those whom the Lord is calling, may be able to lower the noise of distraction in their lives in order that they may hear the whisper of the Lord's voice in their hearts calling them to follow him.

If you are interested or would like more information contact:

Fr Séamus McEntee Vocations Director Tel: 086 7750177 or

email: vocations@dublindioocese.ie

Marian Prayer for Vocations

O Mary, Mother of Jesus and Mother of the Church, You Know, the struggles, doubts and obstacles that those who are discerning a vocation face. As you gave your "yes" to the Lord's call Assist those your Son is calling to answer Yes to the divine call, as you did at the invitation of the angel. Amen.

With Sympathy
Sympathies are extended to the family and friends of



**Tom Byrne
Michael Kinsella
Ultan John McCabe
John O'Keeffe
Ann Simon
John Cassell
&
Fr James Regan**
who died recently may they rest in peace.

Liturgical Calendar

Tuesday 10th May	St Comgall & St John of Avila
Thursday 12th May	Ss Nereus and Achilleus St Pancras
Friday 13th May	Our Lady of Fatima
Saturday 14th May	St Matthias



ARKLOW PARISH LOURDES GROUP 2022 PILGRIMAGE 5th to 12th SEPT

€879 per person sharing
Single Supplement €33 per night
Booking Office opens in Árus Lorcáin
Friday From 10.30am to 12.30pm

For Further information please contact
Dermot & Bridget Greene 0402-33171 or 0876314437



Easter dues can be returned to either of the Priests or Árus Lorcáin. Thank you to all who have returned their Easter Dues and thank you for your support.



Communion Cards & Gifts

Communion cards are available in the Árus Lorcáin to buy, we have a lovely range of souvenirs and prayer books for the special day. Call in to have a look.

LANGUAGE SKILLS FOR REFUGEES

The Third Age charity's 'Failte Isteach' service is now available in most counties across the State in order to facilitate, in an informal setting, improved English language skills for refugees. This service is free and run by local volunteers. In order to locate the nearest English language class in your location, please see <https://www.thirdageireland.ie/failte-isteach/locations/>

Anam Cara Wicklow, is holding it's monthly Parent Evening on Monday 16th May at 7:15pm in the Parkview Hotel, Newtownmountkennedy, Co. Wicklow. This event is free and open to all bereaved parents. We also now offer an online meeting too. Please contact us on info@anamcara.ie or 085 2888 888 for any queries.



NOTICE FOR CHOIRS AND MUSIC GROUPS

One of the many effects of Covid was the inability of choirs and music groups to meet together for practice or to lead music at liturgies. The Advisory Committee on Church Music (National) will offer one hour of inspiration and encouragement on May 13 beginning at 7.30 p.m. to help communities breathe new life into their music programmes. This will be live from the

**Monastery of St Alphonsus.
Friday May 13th at 7.30pm
www.rednuns.com**

Parish of Sts. Mary & Peter, Arklow with St. David's, Johnstown

Sunday 8th May 2022

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Day of Prayer for Vocations

A recent application made by Arklow Town Team to the Heritage Council to fund a new project which will record the stories of Arklow Pottery and collate an online archive, has been successful.

'Arklow Pottery Online' aims to capture the heritage and history of the Pottery, and to share it with future generations. To help build as much information as possible, the volunteers of Arklow Town Team invite you to join them for a 'Trip Down Memory Lane'!

If you or someone you know worked in Arklow Pottery or if you have a connection to it, please come along to the Arklow Library on Saturday 14th May, from 2pm to 4pm. The project team will be trying to gather as many stories as possible and would also love you to bring along any old original photos, documents or equipment that could be copied or photographed to include in the archive.

The team are also looking to hear from collectors who would be happy to have some of their pieces professionally photographed - particularly older or more unusual pieces and backstamps. Arrangements can be made for the photography to take place where ever the pottery lives!

If you would like to contribute please contact the project team - email arklowpottery@gmail.com or call Allison on 089 4414442.



**'Trip Down Memory Lane'
Saturday 14th May - 2pm to 4pm
Arklow Library Community Room**

INVITATION

In celebration of the completion of the 'Old Church Restoration Project' in Castletown

We would like to invite you and your family to celebrate with us at an Open Air Mass on Sunday 15th May at 3pm

Castletown Parish Lourdes Pilgrimage is from 6th of September to 12th September if you are interested contact 087 7669571



Every Sunday during May the Rosary will be prayed at the Grotto at Arklow Rock at 3.00pm.

GROW

**World Community Mental Health Movement in Ireland.
meet every Monday morning 10am to 12 noon in Arus Lorcain Parish Centre**

If you would like some further information or to join please contact 089-2222798

Congratulations to

Robert Byrne & Claire Cohen who were married in Sts Mary & Peter Arklow on Friday 6th May.



Fundraising Talk

A fundraising talk for Remembering the Archbishop Edward Project on Tues 10th May at 8pm in Árus Lorcáin. Speaker is Historian Pat Power and the topic will be Archbishop Daniel Murray from Sheepwalk.

Light refreshments after.

All welcome

In this month dedicated to the Virgin Mary, let us learn from her that prayer is the best weapon of Christian life; without persistent prayer, no victory over evil is possible.
- Pope Francis

