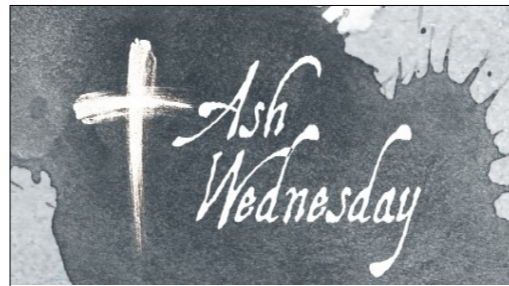
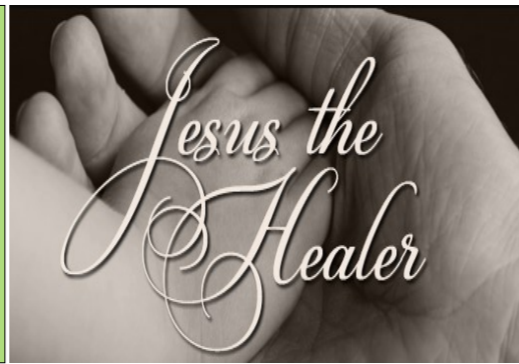


**Parish of Sts. Mary & Peter, Arklow
with St David's Johnstown
11th February 2024
Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
World Day of the Sick
Day of Prayer for Temperance
Our Lady of Lourdes**



**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

**Saturday 10th February
6.30pm**

Jem & Betty Birmingham (Anniv)
Larry Cullen (Anniv)
Geraldine Dempsey (Anniv)

**Sunday 11th February
11.30am**

Marcella O'Brien (Month's Mind)
Susan Wain (1st Anniv)
Patrick & Mary Fox & Family (Anniv)
Jean Kinsella (Anniv)
Marian, Frank & Jim McGrath (Anniv)
Alex Byrne (7th Anniv)
John, Brian & Orla O'Halloran (Anniv)

**Tuesday 13th February
9am**

Jane & Jamie Fenwick (Anniv)

Johnstown

**Sunday 11th February
10am**

Mary Finn (2nd Anniv)
Alice Bolton (Anniv)

With Sympathy

Sympathies are extended to the family and friends
Lester Carroll
Lorraine Kelly
Donald J Barrett
Sr De Lourdes Dillon
&
Fr Peter Kilroy
May they rest in peace.

**Liturgical
Calendar
February**



Wed 14th Ash Wednesday
Sat 17th St Fintan

Saturday 17th February

St Fintan was born in Leinster. He received his religious formation in Terryglass, Co Tipperary, and under the abbot Colum, and was deeply influenced by his penitential practices and the severity of the Rule. Fintan made his own foundation in Clonenagh, Co Laois. He died in 603.

The Parish would like to thank everyone who donated Candles to the Church last Friday for Candlemas Day.



Thank You

The Parish would thank everyone for their understanding while the Church is closed for painting. A special thanks to all the Staff in the Árus Lorcáin for all their hard work during this time. We look forward to our Church opening in the next few weeks.

You are my refuge
PSALM 31

**Sunday 11th February is
World Day of the Sick.**

We remember all our parishioners who are sick or in hospital at this time. We will keep them in our thoughts and prayers. Pope Francis has dedicated the Month of February for the Terminally Ill his intentions are that we pray that those with terminal illness, and their families, receive the necessary physical and spiritual care and accompaniment.

**Sunday 11th
February
Our Lady of
Lourdes**



On this day in 1858, Our Lady first appeared to the fourteen-year-old Bernadette Soubirous. Later Bernadette was to learn that the mysterious lady was the Blessed Virgin and to hear from her lips, 'I am the Immaculate Conception'. In 1992 Pope John Paul II instituted the World Day of the Sick to be held on the commemoration of Our Lady of Lourdes.

Our Annual Pilgrimage to Lourdes will take place in September and those interested travelling to Lourdes can leave their name and number in Reception in the Parish Office.

**Trocaire Boxes are available
at Reception in Árus Lorcáin
please take one home.**

**Ash Wednesday
14th February**

**Mass times Arklow
9am & 7pm**

**Johnstown 10am
Castletown 8pm**

*Fasting ideas for Ash Wednesday
and Lent*

Abstaining from meat and other food.

Abstaining from alcohol and smoking

Making special effort of involvement in family prayer.

Visiting the Blessed Sacrament

Helping the poor, sick, old and lonely.

**ANNUAL COLLECTION ACORD
Dublin, the Diocesan Agency for**

Marriage and the

Family,

will be made at all



Masses on the **17th & 18th
February**

**ACCORD Dublin throughout
the Diocese offers:**

Marriage Preparation courses – online, small groups.

Counselling for couples and individuals experiencing difficulties in their relationships, currently online or by phone.

A Relationship and Sexuality Programme for schools.

ACCORD Dublin needs your support this year more than ever.

**Please give generously on
17th & 18th February 2024**

A nam Cara Wicklow, for Parents bereaved **Monday 19th February 7:15pm** in the Parkview Hotel, Newtownmountkennedy. Free entry, open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, circumstances of their death, or whether their death was recent or not. Also now offer an online meeting. Contact us on info@anamcara.ie or 085 2888 888 for any queries.

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23rd, 24th & 25th
February 2024

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