

Mass Intentions

Saturday 6.30p.m.	12th September Jack Bermingham Rose Grant James Grant Rose & Ann Grant Ailish Byrne Mary Mates
8.30 a.m.	Sunday 13th September -
11.30 a.m.	M.A. Healy (Month's Mind) Maureen Healy Tom & Jenny Byrne Jack O'Donnell (Birthday Rememb.) Denis Copeland (Month's Mind)
7.00p.m.	
Monday 10.00 a.m.	14th September Mamie Murphy William Murphy
Tuesday 10.00 a.m.	15th September
Wednesday 10.00 a.m.	16th September -
Thursday 10.00 a.m.	17th September Jean Horan
Friday 10.00 a.m.	18th September Kathleen Ashton
Saturday 10.00 a.m.	19th September Patsie O'Toole

In the Church calendar, this Monday 14th September marks the **Exaltation of the Holy Cross**. The discovery of the True Cross is dated to 14th September 320. On 13th September 335, the churches on Calvary were dedicated and the cross that St. Helena discovered was venerated there the next day. The annual commemoration of that event has been celebrated since, in praise of the redemption won for us by Christ.

Tuesday 15th September is the Feast of **Our Lady of Sorrows**.



"At the foot of the Cross, the prophecy of Simeon is fulfilled: the mother's heart is pierced through (Lk 2:35) by the torment inflicted on the Innocent One born of her flesh. Just as Jesus cried (Jn 11:35), so too Mary certainly cried over the tortured body of her Son...In the liturgical sequence of this Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows, Mary is honoured with the title of Fons amoris, "fount of love"...Like every mother, and better than every mother, Mary is the teacher of love..." *Pope Benedict XVI*

Fr. Michael, NANDRI and ARKLOW LIFEBOAT would like to thank everybody for their support for the walk last Sunday.

The Arklow Rock Family Walk was a big success.

Can everyone please return any outstanding sponsorship cards a.s.a.p.



With Sympathy

Sympathies and prayers are extended to the family and friends of
Tom Byrne, Fr. Redmond Pk.
John Fitzpatrick (ex Lr. Main St.) who died in New York.
Joe Horan (ex St Michaels Tce.), who died in New York.

Parish Office Opening Hours

Monday to Thursday: :10am to 12pm and 3pm to 5pm **Friday** 10am to 12pm and 3pm to 4.30 pm
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THE PARISH OFFICE & ADMINISTRATION

We in Arklow parish are an active Christian community of believers, thank God. A lot of activities take place during the course of every day, week, month, and year. We could not function without the support of all the people who believe in the risen Jesus. Our parish has Mass every day and several Masses at the weekend. We celebrate Baptisms, Confirmations, Communion, and Weddings, and sadly at end of this life, Funerals. We liaise with our Catholic schools and through the different groups and activities we reach out to the wider community. We have a beautiful church steeped in history and a vibrant Parish Centre in Arus Lorcaín.

All of these activities don't just happen. People, often behind the scenes, are busy offering their gifts and talents to build up the community of faith, hope, and love. We thank them most sincerely for all they do on our behalf.

The Parish Office is at the centre of much that takes place. Booking Baptisms, Anniversary Masses, Confirmation Robes, Registering Baptisms, Confirmations, Weddings and Deaths, and children for the sacraments, providing references, compiling and printing the weekly Newsletter and Booklets for liturgical services and Powerpoint presentations, all happen there. Our Parish Secretary and the FÁS Community Employment Scheme participants are all central to the success of our parish.

Paying our bills promptly is also part of the ethos of our parish. Thankfully, we are able to pay our way and that is largely due to the generous support of parishioners who support the Family Offering Envelope Collection by Direct Debit Standing Orders or through the weekly envelope. I want to thank you very much and to acknowledge the great work put in each week by the Collectors and Counters. If perchance you are not yet contributing to the upkeep of the parish we always welcome more support. You are welcome to join by contacting one of the priests after Mass.

Our parish accounts are kept to a very high diocesan standard and are reconciled and audited on an ongoing basis. This entails a huge amount of work. Up to now much of the burden has fallen on one person, the Parish Secretary. In the coming weeks we hope to employ two people who will share the load.

Please pray that we will be successful in our quest. God bless you all

Fr Pádraig

Moderator

