

Gathering Hymn

City of God

Awake from your slumber! arise from your sleep!
A new day is dawning for all those who weep.
The people in darkness have seen a great light.
The Lord of our longing has conquered the night.

R/Let us build the city of God.
May our tears be turned into dancing
For the Lord, our light and our love,
has turned the night into day!

We are sons of the morning; we are daughters of day.
The One who has loved us has brightened our way.
The Lord of all kindness has called us to be a light for his people to set their hearts free.

Recession Hymn

Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God

Seek ye first the kingdom of God,
And his righteousness,
And all these things will be
Added unto you;
R/ Allelu Alleluia.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia,
Allelu, alleluia.
Ask and it shall be given unto you,
Seek and you shall find,
Knock and the door shall be opened unto you,
Allelu, Alleluia R/

Bereavement Support

The Irish Hospice Foundation provides a free Bereavement Support Line. This National Freephone Service is available from 10am to 1pm, Monday to Friday, by calling 1800 807077. Visit www.hospicefoundation.ie for more information.



Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 18th- 25th January 2023
The theme for 2023 is Do good; seek justice, from Isaiah 1:17-'Learn to do good', seek justice, rescue the oppressed, defend the orphan, plead for the widow'.
Service of Prayer for Christian Unity
Methodist Church Arklow Tuesday 24th January 7.30pm

Sacrament of the Sick
If you or a member of your family is sick and unable to attend Mass and would like one of the Priests to visit you, or you would like the Priest to call on the first Friday of the Month please contact the Parish Office Árus Lorcáin on (0402) 31716.

Catholic School Week 2023
22nd January –29th January
Walking together in Faith and Love
Monday 23rd January
Walking Together in Faith
Tuesday 24th January
Walking Together in Love
Wednesday 25th January
Walking Together to Celebrate
(Grandparents Day)
Thursday 26th January
Walking Together to Transform our World
Friday 27th January
Walking Together in Hope

Knock Pilgrimage
The 2023 Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock, which will be led by Archbishop Farrell, will take place on **Saturday, April 29**. Any Queries email knockpilgrimage@dublindiocese.ie

AnamCara Supporting Parents After Bereavement
Anam Cara Wicklow, is holding it's monthly Parent Evening on Monday 16th January 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.

Samaritans are available 24/7 to offer emotional support by calling free-phone 116123 or email jo@samaritans.ie
There will be a new training session for new volunteers in January. All are welcome if anyone would like to enquire about joining a dedicated team of volunteers please email east-coast.recruitment@samaritans.org

Sts. Mary & Peter's Parish
BINGO IS BACK
Tuesday 7th February
Árus Lorcáin, Castlepark, Arklow
at 8:00pm

Parish of Sts. Mary & Peter, Arklow
with St. David's, Johnstown
Sunday 15th January 2023
Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Intentions

Saturday 14th January
6.30pm Michael Allen
Abigail Bracken

Castletown
8pm Charlie O'Shaughnessy (Months Mind)
Catherine, Joseph & Matthew Gooding

Sunday 15th January
11.30am James & Michael Cullen
Joe McGearry
Breda Clancy
John & Anne Byrne
John & Molly Vickers
Mary Ann Carroll
Julia Byrne

7pm Mary Gleeson

Johnstown
10am Terence O'Toole

Tuesday 17th January
10am Tomás Kane

Wednesday 18th January
10am Mary Sheane & Kathy Stewart

Liturgical Calendar

Monday 16th January St Fursa
Tuesday 17th January St Anthony
Friday 20th January St Fabian
St Sabastian
Saturday 21st January St Agnes

With Sympathy
Sympathies are extended to the family and friends of
Elizabeth (Bessie) Byrne
John Wolohan
Marie Myler
Rose Grehan
Anthony (Tony) Leonard
Patrick (Pat) Treacy
Thomas O'Leary
Denis Patrick Dowdall
Richard (Dick) Southern
Matthew Brady &
Sr Maureen Grant
who died recently may they rest in peace.

St David's Church Johnstown
The following is a list of dates for January of Special Masses that will be celebrated in St David's Church Johnstown in preparation for First Holy Communion and Confirmation
Sunday 22nd January 10am
Welcome Communion Mass
Sunday 29th January 10am
Welcome Confirmation Mass


Confirmation dates 2023
Saturday 13th May 11.30am
St John's Senior National School
Thursday 18th May 11.30am
Scoil Íosagáin Coolgreany National School
Saturday 20th May 11.30am
St John's Senior National School
Thursday 25th May 11.30am
Bearna Chlé Johnstown National School



First Confessions for 2023
Thursday 23rd February 1pm
Scoil Ghormáin Naofa
Castletown National School
Wednesday 1st March 7pm
Bearna Chlé Johnstown National School & Scoil Íosagáin Coolgreany National School

Saturday 4th March 10.30am
Ss Michael & Peter Junior School
Saturday 11th March 10.30am
Gaelscoil an Inbhir Mhóir

Communion Dates for 2023
Saturday 6th May 11am
Scoil Ghormáin Naofa
Castletown National School.
Sunday 7th May 10am
Bearna Chlé Johnstown National School & Scoil Íosagáin Coolgreany National School
Sunday 14th May 10am
Ss Michael & Peter Junior School
Sunday 21st May 10am
Ss Michael & Peter Junior School
Sunday 28th May 10am
Gaelscoil and Inbhir Mhóir