



THIRD
SUNDAY
of ADVENT

Notices for the Churches of Sts. Mary & Peter, Arklow and St. David, Johnstown - Sunday 16th December 2018

Entrance Hymn:
O COME, O COME EMMANUEL

O come, O come Emmanuel,
To free your captive Israel.
That mourns in lonely exile here,
Until the Son of God appear.

**Rejoice, rejoice, O Israel,
To you shall come Emmanuel.**

O come, great daystar, radiance bright,
And heal us with your glorious light.
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night,
And death's dark shadows put to flight,

**Rejoice, rejoice, O Israel,
To you shall come Emmanuel.**

With Sympathy

Sympathies are extended to the
family and friends of

**Michael (Micheál) Halpin
James Walker**



who died recently.

May they rest in peace.

The Irish Catholic

The newspaper is available to
purchase weekly after Mass in the
church porch.

Copies of the **Christmas edition**
of the Irish Catholic Newspaper
will be on sale after Mass next
weekend.



Look Family Newsletter -

Please pick up a copy at the side
Altar before you leave.

Recessional Hymn:
Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God
Seek ye first the Kingdom of God
and His righteousness
And all these things shall be added
unto you, 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

Alleluia, Alleluia

Mass Intentions

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Saturday 6.30 p.m.	15th December John Roche Patricia Murphy Fred Ryan Bill, Julia and Eoin Lynch Paddy Murray
Sunday 8.30 a.m.	16th December Patrick & Mary Anne O'Neill Thos, Ita and Tiernan McBride Michael & Annie McDonald and deceased family members Eleanor Lee Patrick, Elizabeth and Rose Thompson Michael, Maime, Sylvester & Kay Donnelly Nora Lalor Billy Kelly Paddy Fortune Colm & Declan Kelly Roisín Murphy
11.30 a.m.	17th December Colm Kelly Helen Foster (née Loughrell)
7.00 p.m.	18th December -
Monday 8.00 a.m. 10.00 a.m.	19th December -
Tuesday 8.00 a.m. 10.00 a.m.	20th December -
Wednesday 8.00 a.m. 10.00 a.m.	21st December -
Thursday 8.00 a.m. 10.00 a.m.	22nd December -
Friday 8.00 a.m. 10.00 a.m.	
Saturday 10.00 a.m.	



The Annual Parish
Christmas Carol Service
takes place this Sunday at
4.00p.m. All are welcome!

**Parish Confession for
Christmas**

Wed 19th December at 8p.m.

Parish Confession for
Christmas with 10 priests
from nearby parishes



**Parish Office
Christmas Opening Times**

The Parish Office will close for
Christmas Holidays on
Friday 21st December at 12.30 p.m.
and re-open on
Wednesday 2nd January 2019.

NOTICES

- **Morning Prayer of the Church for Advent** each morning (Monday to Saturday) at 9.45 a.m. All are welcome.
- The Christmas edition of the **Parish Newsletter** has been distributed to all homes in the parish. The **Church Christmas Calendar** with all Mass times over the Christmas period is included. **Christmas Dues Envelopes** are also attached. Additional copies, if needed, are available in the church porches.
- **South Wicklow Pilgrimage to Medjugorje** – 11th June 2019, 7 Nights half board. €725 per person inclusive of group travel insurance. Contact: Joe Walsh Tours or the Parish Office.
- **GOAL Mile Run:** Friday 21st of December, 1:00pm-2:30pm (different starting times: 1:20/1:40/2:00) Sponsored walk/jog/run of 3 miles. Donations welcome. All proceeds benefit GOAL and their world- wide programmes.



NEXT WEEKS FAMILY MASS: Bring your statue of Mary from
your crib at home to Mass. Put your name on the bottom of
the statue. Leave your statue on the altar steps for a blessing.

Individual Confession

Saturday 22nd December: 10.30a.m. to 12p.m.
Monday 24th December: 10.30a.m. to 12 p.m.

**Christmas in
Sts. Mary & Peter's Parish, Arklow**

Mass Times

Christmas Eve: 5.00 p.m. | 7.00p.m. | 9.00p.m.
Christmas Day: 8.30 a.m. | 11.30 a.m. | No Evening Mass
St. Stephen's Day: 11.00 a.m.

Thursday 27th December to Saturday 29th December
Morning Mass at 11.00 a.m.

Saturday 29th December: Vigil Mass 6.30p.m.

Sunday 30th December - Feast of the Holy Family
& Closing of the World Meeting of Families
Mass at 8.30 a.m., 11.30 a.m. and 7.00 p.m.

31st December to 5th January inclusive:
Morning Mass at 11.00 a.m.

Parish Confession for Christmas - Wed 19th December at 8p.m.
Saturday 22nd December - Individual Confession 10.30 - 12 noon

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**Third Sunday of Advent
Gaudete Sunday**

Readings:

1st Reading: Rejoice. Exult. Shout for joy. The prophet can command people to have a joyful attitude because he is convinced of God's victory over every sadness and every suffering.

2nd Reading: Likewise St. Paul, in asking this people to be happy, is expressing his confidence in God's presence and in his victory.

Gospel: 'What must we do?' – People ask John the Baptist this question three times in this Gospel. It is an excellent question for us to ask during this season of Advent.

