

**Parish of Sts. Mary & Peter, Arklow**  
**with St. David's, Johnstown**  
**Sunday 16th January 2022**  
**Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Mass Intentions**

<b>Saturday</b> <i>St Ita</i>	<b>15th January</b>
10.00 a.m.	Tom & Julia Hyland
6.30 p.m.	Paddy O'Reilly Michael Allen Mary Gleeson
<b>Sunday</b> <i>Second Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	<b>16th January</b>
8.30 a.m.	
11.30 a.m.	Paddy McManus Jimmy & Michael Cullen Dymphna Kelly Joe McGeary Mary (May) Sheane Kathy Stuart John May
7.00 p.m.	
<b>Monday</b> <i>St Anthony</i>	<b>17th January</b>
10.00 a.m.	Tomás Kane
<b>Tuesday</b> <i>Week of Prayer for Christian Unity</i>	<b>18th January</b>
10.00 a.m.	
<b>Wednesday</b> <i>St Fabian &amp; St Sabastian</i>	<b>19th January</b>
10.00 a.m.	Remedios Castolome
<b>Thursday</b> <i>St Fabian &amp; St Sabastian</i>	<b>20th January</b>
10.00 a.m.	Deceased members of the Loughrell Family
<b>Friday</b> <i>St Agnes</i>	<b>21st January</b>
10.00 a.m.	



*With Sympathy*

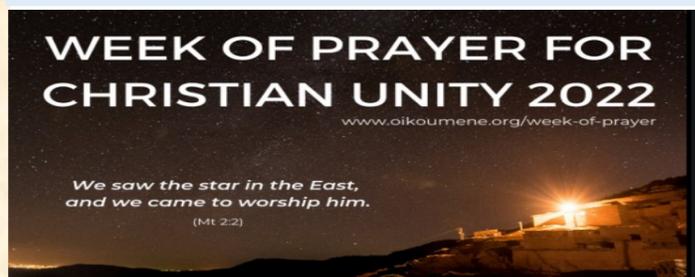
Sympathies are extended to the family and friends of  
**Alan Cullen**  
**Helen Barrett**  
 who died recently. May they rest in peace.

**Christmas Dues**

Thank you to all who have returned their Christmas Dues Envelope. Your support is deeply appreciated. Dues may still be returned.

Mass 10am Monday to Saturday.  
 Weekend Mass 6.30pm Sat Vigil.  
 Sunday 8.30am, 11.30am & 7pm.  
 Adoration Holy Hour Tuesday,  
 Friday & Sunday 5 to 6 pm.  
 Rosary daily following 10am Mass

**THE Week Ahead**



**Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 18th-25th January**

From the 18th to the 25th of January, the week of Prayer for Christian Unity is held. The theme for the 2022 Week of Prayer is 'We saw the star in the East, and we came to worship him' (Mt2:2), taken from the account of the visit of the magi to pay homage to the infant king (MT2:1:-12) It is a call to unity, of those from the North and the South, from the East and from the West, old and young, men and women.

**A Prayer Service will be held in St Mary & Peter's church on Friday 21st January at 8pm. All our welcome or you can join via the Webcam**

**Thank you to all the Volunteers who clean our Church.**



Thank you for the wonderful job you do keeping our Parish Church looking so beautiful and safe for all of us to visit. We are now looking for more volunteers to help out. If you have time and would like to help please contact one of the Priests or Siobhán in the Parish Office on (085)2534718.

We remember all our parishioners who are sick or in hospital at this time. We will keep them in our thoughts and prayers



**Second Sunday in Ordinary Time. We Begin Again!**

This Sunday we begin the liturgical season of Ordinary Time. For many Sundays in this lectionary cycle (Cycle C), our readings will be taken from the Gospel of Luke. Occasionally, however, we will read from John's Gospel. This is true of today's Gospel reading, which describes the beginning of Jesus' ministry and his first miracle. In the Church's liturgical history, the wedding feast of Cana is closely associated with the baptism of the Lord and the adoration of the infant Jesus by the Wise Men. In this context, the sign Jesus performs at the wedding feast is celebrated as an epiphany or a manifestation of Jesus' divinity. Mary is influential in Jesus' first sign. She will also be present at his Crucifixion, a witness to the final manifestation of his divinity. The miracle of water turned to wine, is a lavish response to a simple human need. It is a vision for us of the abundance of God's kingdom. It challenges us to respond generously when confronted with human need today. We respond as best we can, fully confident that God can transform our efforts, bringing the Kingdom of God to fulfillment among us.



If you would like to have your child baptised in Arklow, Johnstown or Castletown church you will need to fill in a baptism form available on [www.arklowparish.ie](http://www.arklowparish.ie) or call Siobhán on 085 2534718 you will also need a copy of the your child's Birth Certificate.

*A Prayer for the Synodal Pathway*

Lord of all hopefulness, as we embark on this journey together, may we listen and discern and be guided by the Holy Spirit, who constantly breathes new life into our world, our hearts, our families, homes and parishes.

May renewal and reform, fresh hope and healing come for all people of God in Ireland. By virtue of our baptism may we each play our part in transforming the church through a fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit which is your gift and promise, upon our land.

Grant us the encouragement we need to bring faith, hope and love in abundance to meet the challenges before us and to fulfil the Church's mission of proclaiming to the world, God's love and salvation in Jesus Christ.

A Mhuire Mháthair, mother of the Church, guard and guide us on our pilgrim way.  
 Amen.



**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION 2022**

Registration now open on-line



If you would like your child to receive their Sacraments of First Holy Communion or Confirmation in 2022, please fill in the Registration form online to do so log into [www.arklowparish.ie](http://www.arklowparish.ie) and the above link will be there to log in. If you have any queries please call Siobhán on 085 2534718 or email [Siobhan.murphy@arklowparish.ie](mailto:Siobhan.murphy@arklowparish.ie)



**Catholic Schools Week 2022**

**Catholic Schools: Living Life to the Full**  
**23rd January - 30th January**

- Monday**  
Living Life to the Full with God
- Tuesday**  
Living Life to the Full Together
- Wednesday**  
(Granparent's Day)  
Celebrating Being Together Again
- Thursday**  
Living Life in Wonder and Awe
- Friday**  
Living Life and Facing the Future

*Be a light for all to see*

Matthew 5:16

