

## **Saturday 16th December** 6.30pm

Bill, Julia & Owen Lynch (Anniv)

Martin & Peter Mulligan (Anniv)

Paddy McManus (Anniv) Paddy Murray (Anniv)

## **Sunday 17th December** 8.30am

Nadine Lott (4th Anniv) 11.30am

Lily Barnwell (Anniv) James McKenna (Anniv) Colm Kelly (Anniv) Eamy Doyle (Anniv)

Edward Kelly (Anniv) Michael & Roseanna

Mordaunt and their granddaughter Susan (Anniv)

## 7pm

Roisin Murphy (Anniv)

Wed

20th December

Special Intention **10am** Request

**Thursday 21st December** 

10am

Mary Brauders 22nd December

Friday **10am** 

Jim Bermingham (2nd Anniv)

Aodán Rvan (Anniv)

### Castletown

16th December 8pm

> Dorothy Reeves (1st Anniv) Mara Van Veghel

(Anniv)

**Johnstown** 10am 17th December

> Richard Mills (Anniv)

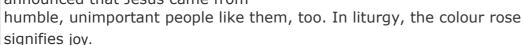
# Parish of Sts. Mary & Peter, Arklow with St David's Johnstown 17th December 2023 Third Sunday of Advent

## **Gaudete Sunday**

The third Sunday of Advent is also called Gaudete Sunday. Gaudete is a Latin word that means "rejoice." We mark this Sunday by the Priest wearing a pink Vestment and lighting a pink candle instead of a

purple one on the Advent wreath. It is a reminder that the Advent season is a season of joy because our salvation is already at hand.

The Third Candle symbolizes joy and is called the "Shepherd's Candle" To the Shepherd's great joy, the angels announced that Jesus came from



## Liturgical Calendar December

Catholic Liturgical Calendar 2024

Monday 18th Wed 20th Thursday 21st

Saturday 23rd

St Fachanan St Peter Canisius St John of

Kanty

St Flannan



Rev Michael Anderson made a generous donation to our Organ Restoration Fund on behalf of the Presbyterian community. Thank you very much!

We remember local lads Andrew and Eamon Breen as they carry out their Atlantic Row for Charity. This will be their first Sunday at Sea! We pray for their Safety and Success.

# With Sympathy

Gaudete Sunday

Sympathies are extended to the family and friends Ciaran Gregan rest in peace

## **ARKLOW PARISH LOURDES GROUP**

Arklow Parish Lourdes Group thanks everyone who supported their Christmas Coffee Morning A massive €780 was raised to support next year's Pilgrimage.

A huge thanks to Rosarii Kinsella and her "Lets Sing" Choir who provided the entertainment the choir is always open to new members.

**Parish Office** Árus Lorcáin **Christmas Closing Thursday 21st December** Re-opening Wednesday 3rd January





W okresie Swiat Bozego Narodzenia msza swieta w jezyku polskim odbedzie sie w poniedzialek 25.12.23 o godzinie 10.00. Wszystkich serdecznie

zapraszamy na wspolne koledowanie



During Christmas,

mass in polish language will take place on Monday 25.12.23 at 10.00 am. All very welcome. Aby Nowonarodzony Chrystus obudził w Nas to, co jeszcze uśpione, ożywił to, co już martwe. Niech światło Jego słowa prowadzi nas przez życie a w Nowym roku błogosławi Nam każdy dzień. Wesołych Świat

Let the Newborn Christ awaken what is still dormant in us and revive what is already dead. May the light of His word guide us through life and bless us every day in the New Year. Happy Christmas

Polish community

Make a straight path for the Lord this Advent by opening your heart to Jesus. A word which means Saviour. Let him save you from your sins. Make a good confession at one of the times in our Parish Notices below.

### **Parish Notices**

### **Reconciliation Services**

**Monday 18th December** 

Wicklow 7.30pm

**Tuesday 19th December** 

Rathdrum 7.30pm

**Wednesday 20th December** 

Arklow 7.30pm

### **School Carol Services**

## Monday 18th

St John's Senior School 1.30pm

St Michael & Peter's 11.30am

St Mary's College 2pm

7pm & 9pm.

Johnstown 10am

### **Christmas Dav**

Arklow 8.30am & 11.30am (no evening Masses Christmas Day)

Johnstown 10am Castletown 10am

Arklow 10am

## Tuesday 19th

## Thursday 20th

Coolgreany National School 7pm Johnstown Church

### **Mass times for Christmas**

## **Christmas Eve**

Arklow 8.30am, 11.30am, 5pm,

St Stephen's Day

Trócaire would like to thank the Parish of Arklow & Johnstown for their donation of €200 and to

Castletown for their donation of €150. This money will make a big difference to many peoples lives. Thank you.



**Gathering Hymn** 

O Come, O Come Emmanuel

To free your captive Israel,

That mourns in lonely exile

Rejoice, Rejoice O Israel,

Until the Son of God

To you shall come

radiance bright,

glorious light,

of night.

put to fight.

Emmanuel.

grace.

To you shall come

O come great daystar,

And heal us with your

Disperse the gloomy clouds

And death's dark shadows

Rejoice, Rejoice, O Israael,

**Recessional Hymn** 

When creation was begun,

God had chosen you to be,

Mother of his blessed son,

When Creation was restored

You were there beside the

Lord, Whom you cherished

and adored Holy Mary full of

Lead us to your child above

He will teach us how to love

How to pity and forgive

Holy Mary full of grace.

Ave, Ave, Ave Maria.

Holy Mary full of grace.

Ave, Ave, Ave Maria.

Ave, Ave, Ave Maria.

here,

appears.

Emmanuel