

PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2022



Our Parish Pilgrimage to Lourdes left Arklow early Monday morning by coach to the airport. 37 people took part. It was great to be back in Lourdes after a two year wait. The Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage arrived in time for Our Lady's Birthday on September 8th. Unfortunately, our Archbishop Dermot Farrell was

advised for medical reasons not to travel this year. Our less mobile pilgrims were helped to and from the ceremonies by the young helpers from various secondary schools around the diocese.

We marked a special milestone this year as it was the 60th Anniversary of the first pilgrimage from Arklow in 1962. Fr. Paddy Battelle and his committee were the original organizers. This year, as usual, Bridgie & Dermot Greene were at the helm. They maintain their very high standards and looked after all our needs. Their contribution over many years was marked at a



special party where the Hotel manager, Fabrice, provided us with a party commemorative cake.

The weather and atmosphere were beautiful not to mention the various parts of the pilgrimage. We met our friends from Arklow on the Castletown Lourdes Group pilgrimage. We prayed at the grotto and throughout for all who asked our prayers. We look forward to next year's trip to Lourdes and thank Our Lady for all her graces.

Crosscare Annual Appeal 2022

The Annual Crosscare Collection will take place at all Masses this weekend, September 17th and 18th.

This year, Crosscare are looking for help for their Homeless Prevention and Food Poverty Support Services-both of which are coming under increasing demand from people struggling to find accommodation and families coping with increase in fuel prices and the cost of living.

We would ask for your support for Crosscare in this weekend's second collection or by donating online at www.crosscare.ie



A sponsored walk to raise funds for East Coast Samaritans, will take place on:
10th October 2021 at 11.00 am to 2.00 pm

Walkers will leave from East Coast Samaritans, Paramount Lane Arklow and walk along the river walk, returning to the Branch by the Vale road and Main Street Arklow. [Approx. 4km] Not confined to volunteers, for further details please phone: 087 677 6142

RETREAT FOR STUDENTS

The Faber Community, sponsored by the Jesuits in Ireland, is running a Kairos retreat for university students from November 4 to 6. The theme in a Kairos retreat is stepping back from the world to look at yourself, then look at who is God, who is Jesus, and what that means for you. It is about moving out into the world and applying the decisions you have made. The topics examined are, Who Am I? Who is Jesus in my Life? What does that mean for the Living of the Message? There are six talks spread over three days with times for small group discussion, prayer, questions and the Eucharist. You can sign up at www.fabercommunity.org/kairos/.

Whoever welcomes a person in need performs not only an act of charity, but also of faith, because he or she recognises Jesus in the brother or sister.
- Pope Francis

Parish of Sts. Mary & Peter,
Arklow
with St. David's, Johnstown
Sunday 18th September 2022
Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Entrance Hymn

Give me Joy in my Heart

Give me joy in my heart, keep me praising

Give me joy in my heart, I pray
Give me joy in my heart, keep me praising

Keep me praising 'til the end of day
Sing hosanna, sing hosanna
Sing hosanna to the King of kings
Sing hosanna, sing hosanna
Sing hosanna to the King
Give me peace in my heart, keep me resting

Give me peace in my heart, I pray
Give me peace in my heart, keep me resting
Keep me resting 'til the end of day

Recessional 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.

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.



Bereavement Talk

Arklow Cancer Support invite you to a talk on grief and bereavement and its impact following the loss of a loved one to cancer.

This talk will be held on Wednesday September 21st at our Centre on 8 St Mary's Road at 7.30pm with a view to setting up a bereavement group by Psychotherapist Denis O'Connor who is highly skilled in Grief Counselling.

You do not have to be a member of Arklow Cancer Support to attend this talk. For further information please contact our office on 0402-23590

Anam Cara Wicklow, is holding it's monthly Parent Evening on Monday 19th September 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.

NATIONAL MATERNITY HOSPITAL SERVICE

The National Maternity Hospital Annual Remembrance Service will take place on **October 9** at 3pm in St Andrew's Church, Westland Row. Contact chaplainber@nmh.ie with enquiries.



ANNUAL GYMKHANA & FIELD DAY



Mass Intentions

Saturday 17th September

6.30pm George Duffy
Connie Doyle
Mary Mates

Sunday 18th September

11.30am Bernadette McGeary
Jim McCaw
John Byrne
(Months Mind)
John & Kathleen Byrne
Marie Byrne
(Months Mind)
Eileen O'Byrne
7pm Michael McCarthy

With Sympathy

Sympathies are extended to the family and friends of

Vincent Fitzgerald
Thora Ayre

Philomena Geraghty
Michael Kennedy
Catherine Staunton

&
Ivan Hendy

who died recently may they rest in peace.

Liturgical Calendar



Monday 19th Sept	St Januarius
Tuesday 20th Sept	Ss Andrew Kim Tae-gon, priest, Paul Chong Ho-sang and Companions, martyrs.
Wednesday 21st Sept	St Matthew
Friday 23rd Sept	St Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio)
Saturday 24th Sept	Blessed Virgin Mary

A Christian is never bored or sad. Rather, the one who loves Christ is full of joy and radiates joy.
Pope Francis

