

**Gathering Hymn:**

**CHRIST IS ALIVE, WITH JOY WE SING**

Christ is alive, with joy we sing;  
We celebrate our risen Lord,  
Praising the glory of his name.  
**R/** Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

He is the grain of wheat that died,  
Sown in distress and reaped in joy,  
Yielding a harvest of new life. **R/**

He is the vine set in the earth,  
Sharing our life, becoming man,  
That man might share in God's own life. **R/.**

**Recessional Hymn:**

**LET THE EARTH REJOICE AND SING**

Let the earth rejoice and sing, Alleluia,  
At the triumph of our King, alleluia.  
He ascends from mortal sight, alleluia,  
Reigns now at our Father's right, Alleluia.

He who died upon a tree, alleluia,  
Now shall reign eternally, alleluia,  
He who saved our fallen race, alleluia,  
Takes in heaven his rightful place alleluia.

Jesus victor hear our prayer, Alleluia,  
In thy triumph let us share, Alleluia,  
Lift our minds and hearts above, Alleluia,  
Strengthen all men in thy love, Alleluia.

**HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE**

**9<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> October, 2015**

**Cost:** €1,335 per person sharing.

**Spiritual Director:** Fr. Martin Canon Cosgrove

For further information contact :

Arklow Parish Office (0402)31716

**A booking deposit of €300 is payable to the Parish Office to secure one of the few remaining places.**



**'On Your Bike!'**

**Sunday May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2015**

Family fun cycle or walk in aid of Fr.

Michael's charity in Tamil Nadu, Southern India.

Further information from Fr. Michael or the Parish Office.

*Mass Intentions*

<b>Saturday</b> 6.30 p.m.	<b>18th April</b> Mary Duffy Thomas (Tom) Roche (Months Mind) Bridget & Peter Clare James Byrne
<b>Sunday</b> 8.30 a.m.	<b>19th April</b> Matt Burke
11.30 a.m.	Seán McEvoy & deceased family members Bernadette Hunt Edna Hudson Niamh O'Kelly
7.00 p.m.	Seamus O'Reilly
<b>Monday</b> 8.00 a.m.	<b>20th April</b> Alice O'Reilly
10.00 a.m.	-
<b>Tuesday</b> 8.00 a.m.	<b>21st April</b> Jack & Kathleen Byrne
10.00 a.m.	-
<b>Wednesday</b> 8.00 a.m.	<b>22nd April</b> -
10.00 a.m.	-
<b>Thursday</b> 8.00 a.m.	<b>23rd April</b> Marion, Frank & Jim McGrath
10.00 a.m.	-
<b>Friday</b> 8.00 a.m.	<b>24th April</b> Thomas & Peter Dempsey John Murphy
10.00 a.m.	-
<b>Saturday</b> 10.00 a.m.	<b>25th April</b> Martin & Peter Mulligan Michael Conway

**Dates for your Diary**

May 24th—31st	<i>Ecumenical Bible Week</i>
June 13th	Blessing of Sick & Healing
June 14th	<i>Family Fun Day</i>
June 27th	Mass for all whose lives are not working out as planned.
July 3rd	<i>Blessing of Graves</i>

*Festival of Peoples Mass*

**Saturday 16th May at 6.30p.m.**

A Mass will take place to celebrate the different Nationalities living in our community. If you would like to take part and have your country represented please leave your name and number in the parish office.

*An appeal from Archbishop Diarmuid Martin*

**SHARE— Supporting our Parish Communities**

The SHARE collection which has been taking place each Sunday for generations now is essential to the "progress of renewal which has been made right across the diocese over the years". The SHARE collection allows parishes, especially poorer parishes to carry out their functions. "In addition to the upkeep and repair of Churches in poorer areas, Share supports the central administration of the Archdiocese as it provides vital support in areas such as training in evangelization, child safeguarding and support for our schools".

**Your ongoing support for SHARE is very much appreciated and we appeal for your continued generosity.**  
*Copies of The Archbishops appeal and end of financial year reports are available in the Church porches.*

**NOTICES**

- **Visitation:** Many thanks to all who facilitated the very successful visitation which has just completed. Thank you to all parishioners for their hospitality.
- Thank you to all parishioners who have already returned their **Easter Dues.**
- **Congratulations** to all the boys and girls who will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation today from Most Rev. Dr. Diarmuid Martin, Archbishop of Dublin in St. David's Church, Johnstown.
- **Mutomo Hospital, Kenya:** Thank you for supporting this years Lenten fast. To date a total €1,714 has been raised. All cards and sponsorship can now be returned to the Parish Office. Thank you.
- **Queen of Peace Prayer Group** meet every Friday night in Árus Lorcáin at 7.45p.m. to pray for vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life. All are welcome.
- **The Good Shepherd Prayer Group** for the youth of Arklow meet every Monday night at 7.30p.m. at 17b Harbour Road (Breda Cullen Fitzgerald) All are welcome.
- **Arklow Parish Annual Pilgrimage to Lourdes** takes place from the **6th to 13th Sep, 2015.** The cost is €789 per person sharing. Further details are available from Dermot & Bridget Greene. Tel: 0402-33171 or 087-6314437. The booking office will be open in Árus Lorcáin from 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. every Friday morning.
- **Co. Wicklow branch of Diabetes Ireland** are holding an open meeting in Árus Lorcáin at 8p.m. on Wednesday 22nd April. Speakers: Dr. Rachel Doody, "Diabetes and Dental health" and Ms. Michele O'Brien, "Osteoporosis: everything you need to know" All are very welcome.
- A 'Swish Party' (clothes party) will take place in the Sailing Club on Friday 24th April at 7.45p.m. in aid of **St. Peter's Boys School.** €10 entrance fee. Thank you for your support.
- An **Art Exhibition in aid of Arklow Cancer Support Group** will take place daily from Monday 20th April to Friday May 1st in the Sunbeam Art Gallery. An opening reception will take place on Monday April 20th from 7p.m. to 9p.m. We would appreciate your support and company.

**First Holy Communion Dates**

Gaelscoil	Sunday 26th April
Castletown	Sunday 3rd May
Boys N.S.	Sunday 10th May
Girls N.S.	Sunday 17th May
Johnstown	Sunday 24th May



**Confirmation Dates**

Johnstown	Sunday 19th April
Castletown	Saturday 16th May
Arklow	Saturday 31st May

