

Mass Intentions

Saturday19th July6.30pm

Peter Kearns (Month’s Mind)

Tony Dillon (4th Anniv)

Bríd Kiernan (2nd Anniv)

Hannah White (Anniv)

Sunday20th July8.30am

Paddy O’Reilly (Anniv)

Special Intention to say Thank You

11.30am

Máirín Spacey (1st Anniv)

Garry Doyle (2nd Anniv)

Fr Hugh O’Donnell (2nd Anniv) (Anniv)

Margaret Steenson

Tom Tyrrell

Michael & James Carroll

Seamus & Bridie Fitzpatrick

Margaret Bunting

Monday21st July10am

Keith Doyle (Anniv)

Wednesday23rd July10am

Elizabeth (Betsy) Kelly (Anniv)

Friday25th July10am

Neil Bonner (1st Anniv) & Peig Bonner (Anniv)

Tommy & Mary Eustace (Anniv)

Castletown

Saturday19th July8pm

Jack & Kathleen Gregan (Anniv)

Johnstown

Sunday20th July10am

Edward & Breda Breslin (Anniv)

Message from the Pastoral Parish Council

Hi everyone and welcome to our pastoral corner. For the month of July the pastoral council would like to give you a small insight into what we have been doing since the council was formed.

Education Officer

I’m Miriam and I’m the Education Officer on the parish pastoral council, a new role created to support and encourage faith formation across our school community and to enhance communication between the parish and our local schools. This year, we established an Instagram page @schoolsarklowparish to share information, and we invite everybody to follow it and share highlights with us. We have also begun to assist our priests with their work on the various school boards of management. We also started an email newsletter from the parish to the schools to directly share information on sacrament preparation, family Masses and other events, and to forward resources around religious instruction and Catholic values which might be useful to our schools. If anyone has any suggestions on how to better support our schools in this area, please contact the parish office - we would love to hear from you! And remember, monthly family masses will resume again in September in Johnstown and Arklow - huge thanks to all involved - and it would be super to encourage as many children as possible to come along.



Communications Lead

Hi everyone, and welcome to week 2 of our Pastoral Corner. I’m Martin, and I’m the communications lead for the Pastoral Council. My main duty is to post regular updates on the Parish Facebook page. Posting the weekly Newsletter and with up-and-coming events, notices and awareness campaigns. I also contribute to the Parish website updates and I am excited to upgrade the website very soon. The Facebook page is a fantastic resource and reaches out to Parishioners around the county, country and the globe. There are now almost 1,700 followers of the Parish page with regular engagement, likes, comments and reposts. We also have an Instagram account, feel free to follow us and keep up to date



We are looking for support for the coming year for communications group and IT, If you are interested feel free to contact the parish office or any member of the Pastoral Parish Council.

Youth 2000 Summer Festival 2025

Join young people between 16 & 35 at the Youth 2000 Summer Festival. The festival takes place in Dominican College Newbridge, Co Kildare from Thursday 7th August to Sunday 10th August. The festival includes inspiring talks, music, prayer, concert, workshops, dramas, share groups, reconciliation and healing service and Mass. The event is donation only and we have free buses going from all over Ireland. www.youth2000.ie

Parish of Sts. Mary & Peter, Arklow

with St David’s Johnstown

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

20th July 2025

You worry and fret too much about so many things, yet few are needed

Luke 10:41

Liturgical Calendar July

Monday 21stSt Lawrence of Brindisi

Tuesday 22ndSt Mary Magdalene

Wed 23rdSt Bridget

Thursday 24thSt Sharbel Makhluf St Declan

Friday 25thSt James

Saturday 26thSs Joachim & Anne Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary



Saturday 26th July

Ss Joachim and Anne Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary and Grandparents of the Lord.

Sunday 27th July World Day of Grandparents & the Elderly

National Grandparents Pilgrimage 2025 Knock Celebrating the World Day for Grandparents & the Elderly

Theme: ‘Blessed are those who have not lost hope’

Trocáire would like to thank the Parish of Arklow & Johnstown for their kind donation of €1826.15 which was collected during Lent.

Lifeboats BINGO NIGHT in aid of Arklow Lifeboat

Saturday 2nd August 8:30pm Árus Lorcáin



Please show your support



We would like to acknowledge receipt of €500 which was left in the wall box marked for Gaza. Many thanks for your kind donation.

With Sympathy

Sympathies are extended to the family and friends of

Maura Burke

Jacinta (Cinty) Nolan

Leona Crean

&

Noreen Gallagher

May they rest in peace.

Summer Dues

The Archdiocese will collect Summer Dues this year if you feel you would like to contribute envelopes are available on the altar rails.

Gathering 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.

R/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.

Recession Hymn

Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God

Seek ye first the kingdom of God, And his righteousness, And all these things will be Added unto you;

R/ Allelu Alleluia.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, Allelue, 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 R/

Arklow Lourdes Pilgrimage will take place

3rd/10th September Petition forms are available at Our Lady’s Altar.

Please place in box provided and they will be brought to Lourdes.