

Gathering Hymn:

Come O Creator

Come O Creator Spirit blest,
And in our hearts take up thy rest,
Come with thy grace and heavenly
aid to fill the hearts which thou has
made.

Great Paraclete to thee we cry,
O highest gift of God most high,
O fount of life, O fire of love,
And sweet anointing from above.

All glory while the ages run,
Be to the Father and the Son,
Who rose from death;
the same to thee,
O Holy Ghost eternally.

Recessional Hymn:

QUEEN OF THE MAY

Bring flowers of the rarest, bring
blossoms the fairest, from garden and
woodland and hillside and dale
Our full hearts are swelling, our glad
voices telling the praise of the
loveliest flower of the vale.

**O Mary we crown thee with
blossoms today Queen of the
Angels and Queen of the May.
O Mary, we crown thee with
blossoms today Queen of the
Angels and Queen of the May.**

Their lady they name thee,
Their mistress proclaim thee,
Ah, grant that thy children on earth
be as true as long as the bowers
are radiant with flowers,
as long as the azure shall keep its
bright hue. R/

ECUMENICAL
BIBLE WEEK
2018

ARKLOW

ST SAVIOUR'S
CHURCH OF IRELAND HALL,
COOLGREANEY ROAD

Tuesday 22nd May 2018

8.00 – 9.30pm

Frank Brown

Can we Share our Faith
without being Annoying?

All Welcome

More info at
www.bibleweek.ie



Arklow Parish - World Meeting of Families

Parish Family Bake Off

19th and 20th May 2018

Families are invited to bake a cake with the theme of 'FAMILY'

Cakes will be exhibited in Arus Lorcaín after 6.30pm, 8.30am and 11.30am Masses with a cup of tea.
There will be prizes for the best cakes.

Contact parish office for details Tel: 0402-31716
www.worldmeeting2018.ie

Drop in to Arus Lorcaín after 6.30 p.m.,
8.30 a.m. and 11.30 a.m Masses to see
the cakes and enjoy a cup of tea.

The parish day to the WMOF

Congress is Thursday 23rd August.

There are speakers from all across the world facilitating various workshops. The theme for that day is The Family and Love. We will attend Mass and lunch together. There is a children's and youth programme. We will be leaving the parish at approximately 10am. Adult Price €38 + €12 for the coach Pensioners, unwaged & students over 18. €33 + €10 for the coach. Children are free to go to the Congress but they must be registered €5 for the coach.

Please pay and register at the parish office, payments can be made in instalments.

MISSION OF FAMILIES 2018
AVOCA, TEMPLERAINEY
BALLYCOOGUE, BARNISKY

PARISH'S OF AVOCA

PARISH PRIEST REV FR. DIARMUID BYRNE CO PP

TEMPLERAINEY, ST. JOSEPHS CHURCH

WHERE THE MISSION WILL BE HELD

Parishioners Join Us Here

Tuesday 22nd May 8pm

REV FR DAVID BYRNE FROM ST. CATHERINES, ONTARIO, CANADA

Wednesday 23rd May 8pm

REV FR BRENDAN KEALY ADM, NT. WILLIAM ST, DUBLIN

Thursday 24th May 8pm

REV FR BRIAN DOYLE O.P. (DUBLIN)

Friday 25th May 8pm (Closing Night)

Special Healing Mass For The Sick with Fr Diarmuid Byrne

With The Relics Of St. Therese Including Relics Of Her

Blessed Family & Parents (First Visit Here)

Directed by PAT SWEENEY (Homilist on St. Therese)

Each Evening Mass - Homily, Benediction

Morning Mass Each Day During Mission 10am

To Include Special Intentions For Youth Sitting

Forecoming Examinations And Parishioners Special Intentions.

Operational, Mission Event Under The Auspices Of Liam Ryan

Mass Intentions

Saturday

6.30 p.m.

19th May

Margaret Bracken (Months Mind)
Mylie Wolohan
Elizabeth (Betty) Gregory
Lizzy & Jimmy Kenny

Sunday

8.30 a.m.

11.30 a.m.

7.00 p.m.

Monday

8.00 a.m.

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20th May

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Catherine Fitzgerald (Months Mind)

21st May

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Marie Byrne and also remembering William Byrne

22nd May

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23rd May

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Matthew (Matt) McCrudden

24th May

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25th May

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26th May

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Parish Family Offering

Family Offering Envelopes, commencing June 2018, are now available for collection from the Parish Office.

New subscribers who wish to contribute to the family offering (by envelope or standing order) please contact the Parish Office (0402-31716)

Thank you for your ongoing support which is vital for the day to day running of our parish and the on-going maintenance expenses.

With Sympathy

Sympathies are extended to the family and friends of
Elizabeth (Betty) English, Abbeylands
Eileen Underwood (nee Harte), Wexford
who died recently.
May they rest in peace.

Notices for the Churches of Sts. Mary & Peter, Arklow & St. David, Johnstown – Sunday 20th May 2018

Our fourth **Holy Hour** in the series **for the Sanctity of Human Life** takes place **this Monday 21st May** from 8p.m. to 9p.m. in the Church of Sts. Mary & Peter. All are welcome. Please pray for the protection of all human life.

This week's edition of the '**Choose Life 2018**' newsletter from the Irish Bishops is available in all church porches. Please take one home.

Please remember in your prayers the 123 children and their families from Ss Michael & Peter school who will make their **First Holy Communion** on Sunday 27th May at 11.30 am.

The **Rosary** will be recited at the Grotto, Arklow Rock each Sunday during May at 3.00p.m.

1 Day Retreat to Lough Derg: Travelling on the 18th of August, Retreat takes place on the 19th. For further information please contact Breda Fitzgerald 086-3073060.

Childminders & parents using childminding services: The **Wicklow Childminding Consultation Workshop** takes place Tues 22nd May @ 7.30pm in the Arklow Bay Hotel, Arklow. Proposed changes will be discussed. Book your place with Childminding Ireland on support@childminding.ie or call 01 287 8466



A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY!

Our annual walk up Croghan Mountain takes place on **Sunday 24th June** in aid of 2 projects - Fr. Michael's charity in India and also Our Lady's Grotto at Arklow Rock which is in need of some tlc.

More details to follow



"The Church must always be Pro-Life"

Archbishop Diarmuid Martin

The Archbishop has issued his statement on the defence of human life. He asks us to join in prayer in the coming days to touch hearts and commit our society to be Pro-Life in defending the lives of unborn children and in supporting women and men in the challenges they meet in accepting the joy of parenthood.

He says Ireland has a great record of protecting both the lives of the mother and the child. Repealing the Eighth Amendment is not about permitting limited abortion. It would permit abortion without restriction up to 12 weeks, but also abortion on physical and mental grounds up to 6 months.

Abortion legislation would be left entirely up to the Oireachtas. In future small parties could demand abortion be extended as part of a programme for government.

Repealing the 8th Amendment means the unborn would be left without Constitutional protection. For that reason he will be voting No.

Please pick up your copy as you leave the church.



Diamond Jubilee

Congratulations to Fr. Eugene McCarney, who celebrates the 60th Anniversary of his Ordination to the Priesthood at the 8.00p.m. Mass on Saturday 26th May in St. Patrick's Church, Castletown.

All are most welcome.



A new **European Data Protection law**, the **General Data Protection Regulation ("GDPR")**, is being introduced on 25 May 2018. This new law applies to any organisation, including our parish that manages and processes people's personal information. We are now working on ways of ensuring that what we do with your information is compliant with this new law. It is a work in progress and over the next few months we will keep you informed through the parish website and in the newsletter as policies are put in place. If you have any questions about this please do not hesitate to contact the parish office.