

**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 with 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**

**How Great Thou Art**

O Lord my God!

When I in awesome wonder,

Consider all the works thy hands have made.

I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder, thy power throughout the universe displayed.

**R/ Then sing my soul, my saviour God to thee;**

**How great thou art,**

**How great thou art,**

**Then sing my soul,**

**My saviour God to thee;**

**How great thou art, how great thou art!**

When through the woods and forest glades, I wander, and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees: When I look down, from lofty mountain grandeur and hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze: **/R**

And when I think, that God his Son not sparing, sent him to die, I scarce can take it in. That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing, he bled and died, to take away my sin. **R/**

**Parish of Sts. Mary & Peter, Arklow**

**with St. David's, Johnstown**

**Sunday 23rd April 2023**

**Third Sunday of Easter**

**Mass Intentions**

**Saturday 22nd April**

6.30pm Alice (Siss) O'Reilly

**Sunday 23rd April**

11.30am Annie Bermingham  
Sadie & Eddie Fitzgerald  
Derek Gaddren  
Matt McCabe  
Mae Jones  
Rose Doyle  
Catherine Brennan  
Josias Subacius (Months mind)

**Johnstown**

**Sunday 23rd April**

10am Jack Byrne

**With Sympathy**

Sympathies are extended to the family and friends of

John Carroll  
Mary Conway  
Brian Nolan  
Phyllis White  
Thomas Byrne

Rev Fr Chris Conroy O.Carm.  
Fr Michael Drennan  
&  
Ann O'Flaherty

Sunday 30th of April St David's



Confirmation Classes from Bearnna Chlé Johnstown and Scoil Íosagain Coolgreany National School will celebrate with their parents their Service of Light Ceremony at 10am Mass in St David's Johnstown on Sunday 30th April.

**Liturgical Calendar**

**April**



Monday 24th St Fidelis of Sigmaringen  
Tuesday 25th St Mark  
Thursday 26th St Asicus  
Friday 27th St Peter Chanel  
St Louis Marie Grignon de Montfort  
Saturday 28th St Catherine of Siena



*I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit*

**Congratulations to  
Conor Tom Kirrane  
Jordan James Snell  
&  
Ozzy Levi Doyle  
who were baptised in  
Sts Mary & Peter Church Arklow**

**Grow**

Grow Mental Health Arklow Community Group is holding in-person meetings at a new venue weekly on Mondays at 10a.m. in Árus Lorcáin Castle Park.

Anyone is welcome to attend meetings which will explore positive mental health, wellbeing and recovery.

Meetings are free to attend and open to all. For more information about Grow Group you can call Trish on 086 0129082



May will be a very busy month in Arklow Parish, We have First Holy Communions and Confirmations during the month of May. We have lovely gifts available in Árus Lorcáin for Communion and Confirmations. Call in to have a look. All Communion and Confirmation cards are only €1.



**Aware Support & Self Care Groups**

If you or those with whom you work wish to connect with people in relation to your mental wellbeing, consider using Aware's phone-in and Zoom support and self-care groups, support line or support mail. For more information

[www.aware.ie](http://www.aware.ie)

**BINGO**  
Every Tuesday night  
Árus Lorcáin, Castlepark  
Doors open at 7.45pm  
with play commencing at 8:30pm sharp

Church Concert to raise funds for our Organ Restoration fund will take place on Friday 26th



May at 7.30pm with the very talented and professional singer Sara Clancy and her fantastic group Súantraí composed of mostly Arklow people.

Tickets will be available in the Parish Office or after Mass from the 30th April at a cost of €15.

This will be a wonderful night for the Community to come together and enjoy beautiful music.



Bank Holiday Monday  
1st May 2pm  
Marching from  
St Stephen's Green to  
Leinster House.

**Triathlon Fundraiser**

Coral Leisure is raising funds for **Arklow Community Action Resource Centre** at an indoor triathlon on Saturday 29th April.

Running from 2p.m. until 5p.m. on the day, it is €20 for an individual or €30 for a team entry.

We remember all our parishioners who are sick or in hospital at this time. We will keep them in our thoughts and prayers.

Please return Trócaire boxes to the Church, Parish office or your local school.



**Arklow Lourdes Group**

If you are interested in joining the Lourdes Group this year on the Annual Pilgrimage to Lourdes please leave you name and number in the Parish Office before 30th April. The trip will be for 7 days and the average cost is around €1000. We will contact all those interested with more information at a later date.



**Day Of Prayer for Vocations  
Sunday, April 30**

**Prayer for Vocations**

*Heavenly Father*

*We ask you to send labourers into your harvest*

*And to bless all who strive to listen to your voice.*

*Inspire, in the hearts of men and women,*

*vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life.*

*Bless our families with a spirit of generosity,*

*so that those whom you call have the courage to give themselves to your*

*Church of faith.*

*Send workers into Your great harvest*

*so that the Gospel is preached*

*the poor are served with love,*

*and Your people are strengthened by the sacraments.*

*We ask this through Jesus Christ, our Lord,*

*Amen*