



**Weekly Notices for the Churches of  
Sts. Mary & Peter, Arklow & St. David, Johnstown  
Commencing Sunday 28th September, 2014**

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**Gathering 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 till the end of day.

*R/ Sing hosanna! Sing hosanna!  
Sing hosanna to the King of Kings.  
Sing hosanna! Sing hosanna!  
Sing hosanna! to the King!*

Give me love in my heart, Keep me praising,  
Give me love in my heart I pray,  
Give me love in my heart, keep me praising  
Keep me praising till the end of day. **R/**


**Recessional Hymn:**

**God's Spirit Is In My Heart**

God's spirit is in my heart,  
He has called me and set me apart.  
This is what I have to do, what I have to do.

*R/ He sent me to bring the good news to the  
poor, tell prisoners that they are  
prisoners no more,  
Tell blind people that they can see,  
And set the down trodden free,  
And go tell everyone the news  
that the Kingdom of God has come  
And go tell everyone the news  
that God's Kingdom has come.*

Just as the Father sent me,  
so I'm sending you out to be  
My witnesses throughout the world,  
the whole of the world. **R/**



Sympathies are extended to the family & friends of

**Kevin Byrne**  
who died recently.  
**May he rest in peace.**

**Theme:**

God gives us the gift of repentance. In the parable of the two sons Jesus holds up the example of the public sinners in his time being converted while the establishment figures refuse to listen to his message. Ezekiel reminds us that repentance is always possible, for the Lord remembers his mercy.

**Reading 1.**

Reminds us that God does not dwell on our past faults and failings, he is always ready to offer the gift of eternal life to those who renounce sin in their lives.

**Reading 2.** Paul was writing to the Christians of Philippi who were divided by factions and self interest. His advice to them is relevant to us today, especially when we place our own personal interest first; this dividing the community and depriving them of what they are justly entitled to.

**Gospel:**

When a person recognizes their errors and changes their ways, God is prepared to forget their earlier lapses and consider what they have done now. The tax collectors and prostitutes accepted by Jesus had this experience.

**The Sacrament of the Day**

All that is small is what is most beautiful and greatest.  
All that is new is what is most beautiful and greatest.  
And baptism is the sacrament for the little ones.  
And baptism is the newest sacrament.  
And baptism is the sacrament that begins.  
All that begins has a character that is never again recovered.  
A strength, a novelty, freshness like dawn,  
A youth, an ardour, a spirit, a naiveté.  
A birth that is never again recovered.  
The first day is the most beautiful day.  
And baptism is the sacrament of the first day.  
And baptism is all that is beautiful and great.  
Excepting the sacrifice.  
And consumption of the body of Our Lord.

*Charles Péguy, Portal of the Mystery of Hope*

**Mass Intentions**

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| <b>Saturday</b><br>6.30 p.m.                | <b>27th September</b><br>Mary & Peter Dempsey<br>John Hall<br>Ann Dempsey (Months Mind)<br>Maura Byrne |
| <b>Sunday</b><br>8.30 a.m.                  | <b>28th September</b><br>Leonas Bruzas   |
| 11.30 a.m.                                  | Tony Connors<br>Vicky Hannigan<br>Pat Keogh  |
| 7.00 p.m.                                   | -  |
| <b>Monday</b><br>8.00 a.m.<br>10.00 a.m.    | <b>29th September</b><br>-<br>-  |
| <b>Tuesday</b><br>8.00 a.m.<br>10.00 a.m.   | <b>30th September</b><br>Special Intention<br>Deirdre Lang   |
| <b>Wednesday</b><br>8.00 a.m.<br>10.00 a.m. | <b>1st October</b><br>Intentions of St. Mary's College<br>-  |
| <b>Thursday</b><br>8.00 a.m.<br>10.00 a.m.  | <b>2nd October</b><br>-<br>-   |
| <b>Friday</b><br>8.00 a.m.<br>10.00 a.m.    | <b>3rd October</b><br>Altar List of the Dead<br>Altar List of the Dead                                 |
| <b>Saturday</b><br>10.00 a.m.               | <b>4th October</b><br>Bill, Sarah & Paddy O'Neill  |



The **Annual Harvest Festival** takes place in our church on **Sunday 12th October at 3.00p.m.** Speaker: Rev. Alan Breen, Greystones, Church of Ireland Parish.



**October 25th 2014:** Sponsored climb/walk of Lugnaquilla in aid of NANDRI (formerly Child Aid Ireland India) & Sri Lanka. For more details please contact Fr. Michael or the Parish Office

**NOTICES**

**Thank you for your support of last weeks collection for CROSSCARE. €2,484.00 was raised in our parish.**

**'Share the Good News' .....** An online distance learning course to deepen and renew the knowledge of faith. At this stage everyone doing the course should have gone on line to register. Course material will be available online from Monday 29th September. **The first group meeting with Fr. Hayes will take place in Árus Lorcáin on Monday 6th October at 8.00p.m.**

**First Holy Communion 2015:** The preparation meeting for parents / guardians of all First Holy Communion children from Castletown, Coolgreany, Bearna Chle, Arklow BNS, St. Michael's and the Gaelscoil will take place in **Árus Lorcáin this Monday evening at 7.30p.m.** Please remember to return completed registration forms on the night. Thank you. If your child is not attending one of the above schools but would like to join the Communion Preparation Programme please contact the Parish Office.

**The Irish Catholic** is available to buy after 6.30 p.m. Mass on Saturday and after 8.30 am. and 11.30 a.m. Mass on Sunday.

**Arklow Positive Ageing Week**

| Date  | Event                            | Time           | Venue                     |
|-------|----------------------------------|----------------|---------------------------|
| 30/09 | Official Opening                 | 3.00 p.m.      | Asgard Lodge Nursing Home |
| 03/10 | Older Peoples Network Table Quiz | 2.00 p.m.      | Glendalough Hotel         |
| 04/10 | CPR Demonstration                | 2.00—4.00 p.m. | Marlborough Hall          |
|       | Bingo                            | 8.30 p.m.      | Árus Lorcáin              |
| 09/10 | Mystery Tour                     | 10.00 a.m.     | Around Co. Wicklow        |

*These are just some of the events planned! For more information please contact 086-0817534.*

The **Sacred Heart Messenger Magazine** will be promoted after all Masses next weekend.