



**Weekly Notices for the
Churches of Sts. Mary & Peter, Arklow & St. David, Johnstown
Sunday 29th May, 2016**

Gathering Hymn: Come O Creator

Come O Creator Spirit blest,
And in our hearts take up thy rest,
Come with thy grace and heav'
To fill the hearts which thou hast 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 these, their mistress
proclaim thee, O grant that they children and
earth be as true, as long as the bowers are
radiant with flowers, As long as
the azure shall keep its bright

Prayer for Students taking Exams

Loving God, be with me now,
as I prepare for my exams.
Thank you for the many talents
and gifts you have given me and
for the opportunity of education.
Calm my nerves and anxiety, help
me to remember all that I have
studied, to express it clearly and to
answer the questions the very
best that I can. Holy Spirit, sit with
me in my exams—and always.
In Jesus' name.

Amen.

Mass Intentions

Saturday 6.30 p.m.	28th May Francis O'Toole James O'Toole Andrew Byrne
Sunday 8.30 a.m. 11.30 a.m. 7.00 p.m.	29th May - - -
Monday 8.00 a.m. 10.00 a.m.	30th May - -
Tuesday 8.00 a.m. 10.00 a.m.	31st May - -
Wednesday 8.00 a.m. 10.00 a.m.	1st June -
Thursday 8.00 a.m. 10.00 a.m.	2nd June - -
Friday 8.00 a.m. 10.00 a.m.	3rd June Altar List of the Dead Altar List of the Dead Bryan Butler
Saturday 10.00 a.m.	4th June Liam & Eileen Power

Date for your diary! Sat 11th & Sun 12th June, 2016

Notices

- **Renewal of the Family Offering Update:** Many homes in our parish have already been visited by parish volunteers and the remainder will be covered over the next few weeks. Many thanks to all volunteers for their time and commitment. Thank you to all households for the positive reception given to canvassers. We also wish to acknowledge all envelopes which have been returned.
- **Pope Francis has chosen Ireland to host the 9th World Meeting of Families during 2018. The dates and theme of the Meeting will be announced by Pope Francis himself. This weekend the SHARE collection will be replaced with a collection for the support of this.**
- **There will be a Healing Mass and Anointing of the Sick on Monday 30th May at 8.00p.m. as part of the Festival of Faith.** The speaker on the night will be Mary O'Brien from the Arklow Cancer Support Group. Transport to and from the church will be available on the night. If you, a family member or friend would like to avail of this please leave your details for the attention of Jim Furlong in the Parish Office.
- **Best wishes** to all students as they prepare to sit exams over the coming weeks.
- On Sunday 5th June all the Communion and Confirmation children are especially welcome at the 11.30 a.m. Mass where there will be a procession and Benediction to mark the **Feast of Corpus Christi**.
- **A Mass for all Exam Students and their families** will take place on Sunday 5th June at 7.00p.m. in the Church of Sts. Mary & Peter. All are very welcome.
- **Congratulations** to all the boys and girls from St. John's Senior School who received the Sacrament of Confirmation this Saturday. Congratulations also to the boys and girls from Ss Michael & Peter's Junior School as they make their First Holy Communion today.

Fri 27 th May	8.00p.m.	Opening Mass. Papal Nuncio, His Excellency Archbishop Charles John Brown
Sat 28 th May	6.30p.m.	Abbot Dom Mark Patrick Hedderman, Abbot, Glenstal Abbey
Sun 29 th May	7.00 p.m.	Valerie Cox of RTE fame (working with refugees / displaced people)
Mon 30 th May	8.00 p.m.	Healing Mass & Anointing of the Sick. Speaker Mary O'Brien, Arklow Cancer Support Group
Tue 31 st May	8.00 p.m.	Harry Casey, Accord 'The Joys and Challenges of Family Life'
Wed 1 st June	8.00 p.m.	Service of Mercy & Reconciliation with several priests available. Speaker Sr. Helena O'Donoghue (Religious Sister of Mercy)
Thur 2 nd June	8.00p.m.	Inter Church Service. Preacher: Most Rev. Michael Jackson, Church of Ireland, Archbishop of Dublin.
Fri 3 rd June	8.00p.m.	Fr. Peter McVerry S.J. 'The God I believe in'
Sat 4 th June	6.30 p.m.	Closing Mass. Archbishop Diarmuid Martin

All Welcome.

• **Arklow Parish Bingo:** This Tuesday Bingo will not begin until the Festival of Faith has concluded in the church. Thank you.

• Just a reminder about our upcoming **Parish Pilgrimage to Rome, Assisi and San Giovanni in October**. There are a few places remaining. If you are interested please contact the Parish Office.

• **St. Josephs Young Priest's Society (Arklow Branch)** have a bus going to **Knock** on Saturday 25th June. The cost is €20.00 To book a seat please call Ann Coburn on 087-1335451. Mass concelebrated by Bishop Eamon Martin.

• **Rosary for Priests and Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life** takes place in Árus Lorcáin at 7.45 p.m. each Friday evening. All welcome.

• **The Annual Pioneer Vigil** takes place on Friday 3rd June, Feast day of the Sacred Heart, in St. Kevin's Church, Glendalough, commencing at 7.00 p.m. Mass, Homily and Benediction. Celebrant Fr. Crotty P.P. All are welcome.

• **The Annual Arklow Parish Pilgrimage to Lourdes** takes place from 6th to 13th September. For further info Tel: 0402-33171 or 087-6314437. The booking office is open every Friday morning after 10 a.m. Mass until 12 p.m.