

**Parish of Sts. Mary & Peter, Arklow
with St David's Johnstown
4th February 2024
Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Saturday 3rd February
6.30pm**
Michael Kavanagh (Anniv)

**Sunday 4th February
11.30am**
Anna O'Neill (Month's Mind)
Mary Donoghue (1st Anniv)
Maura Carey (1st Anniv)
Tommy Doyle (1st Anniv)
Tom Byrne (1st Anniv)
Sean Fitzgerald (2nd Anniv)
Harry Donnelly (Anniv)
Myra O'Connor (Anniv)

**Monday 5th February
9am**
Thomas Doyle (1st Anniv)

**Thursday 8th February
9am**
Edward Young (Anniv)

**Johnstown
Sunday 4th February
10am** Tom Whelan
(4th Anniv)

With Sympathy
Sympathies are extended to
the family and friends
Annie Berry
Patrick Boyle
Jim Condren
Monica Coughlan
Baby Jackson Edward Mills
Fr Conor Harper SJ
&
Fr Michael Fitzgerald
May they rest in peace

CHAT N' CHA
Join us in the Árus
Lorcáin after 11.30am Mass
Sunday 4th February

**Liturgical
Calendar
February**



Monday 5th St Agatha
Tues 6th Ss Paul Miki & Companions
Wed 7th St Mel
Thursday 8th St Jerome Emiliani
St Josephine Bakhita
Saturday 10th St Scholastica

**Wednesday 7th February
St Mel**

St Mel died in 488. He is said to have been a Briton who came to Ireland with Patrick, with whom he worked until he was ordained in Ardagh. He is one of the earliest Irish Saints and gave the religious veil to Brigid.

**Thursday 8th February
International Day of Prayer
and Awareness against
Human Trafficking.**

St Josephine Bakhita 1868-1947, a native of Sudan, brought as a slave to Italy where she became a Christian and later entered the Institute of Canossian Daughters of Charity in Venice. Thursday 8th February is International Day of Prayer and Awareness against Human Trafficking first observed in 2015 and on the memorial of St Josephine Bakhita. Each year around 2.5million people are victims of trafficking and slavery. For those engaged in trafficking it has become one of the most lucrative illegal activities in the world. Through the Day of Prayer we reflect on the experience of those who have suffered but also we are called to reach out to victims and survivors.



The Pope's Intentions
For the Terminally Ill

We pray that those with a terminal illness, and their families, receive the necessary physical and spiritual care and accompaniment.

*Congratulations to
John Hempenstall*

&

Camila Moreno Bianco



*Who were married in
St Patrick's Church Castletown
Saturday 3rd February*

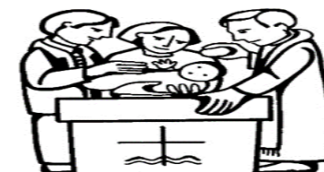
The Parish would like to commend Pioneers who have reached an important milestone. We would like to celebrate this occasion. Anyone who would like to be included can send their details to the Parish Office or leave it in St. David's Church Johnstown in an envelope with your name on it. Please let us know the number of years you have been a Pioneer. The Parish Office can be contacted (0402)31716 or email: office@arklowparish.ie



Crosscare would like to thank the Parish of Castletown for their kind donation of €145.

Arklow Parish would like to wish the Arklow Music Festival every success with their upcoming event and the very best of luck to all those competing during the week long event.

Arklow Music Festival will run from March 2nd to March 10th.



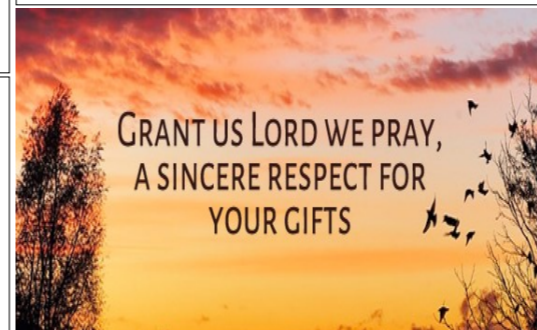
I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit

If you would like to have your child Baptised in St Mary & Peter's Arklow, St David's Johnstown or St Patrick's Castletown please contact Siobhán 085 2534718 or siobhan.murphy@arklowparish.ie

Baptisms will resume in St Mary & Peter's Arklow in March. Parent's will be given dates in February for Baptism in March.

Study Theology Online, is this for you? The Priory Institute provides online Theology courses to degree level. Attend Saturday lectures in Tallaght or from the comfort of your own home. Register before February 14. Find out more on our www.prioryinstitute.com.

We encourage the families of sick people in the Parish to contact the Parish Office (0402) 31716 to arrange to have the Priest call to their home with the Sacrament of the Sick.



Parish Notices for February

Thursday 8th February

International Day of Prayer & Awareness against Human Trafficking

Sunday 11th February

World day of the Sick. Our Lady of Lourdes.

Day of Prayer for Temperance

Tuesday 13th

9am Mass in honour of the Holy Face and 5pm-6pm Adoration Holy Hour in honour of the Holy Face.

Wednesday 14th

Ash Wednesday

Friday 16th

Day of Prayer for Victims of Abuse

Sunday 18th

First Sunday of Lent
The Annual Accord Collection will take place this weekend of the 17th & 18th of February.

Thursday 22nd 1pm

First Confession Castletown National School.

7pm First Confession

Gaelscoil National School

Saturday 24th 11am

First Confession St Michael & Peter's

Sunday 25th

Second Sunday of Lent

Tuesday 27th

7pm First Confessions Coolgreany and Bearná Chlé National School.

**Adoration Holy Hour
Tuesday/Friday 5-6pm
Sunday 3-5pm**

Entrance Hymn:

'Christ be near at either hand'

Christ be near at either hand,
Christ behind, before me stand,
Christ with me where e'er I go,
Christ around, above below.
Christ be in my heart and mind,
Christ within my soul enshrined,
Christ control my wayward heart;
Christ abide and ne'er depart.
Christ my life and only way,
Christ my lantern night and day;
Christ be my unchanging friend,
Guide and shepherd to the end.

Recessional Hymn

Here I am Lord

I, the Lord of sea and sky,
I have heard my people cry,
All who dwell in dark and sin,
my hand will save.
I who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send?
Here I am Lord, is it I Lord.
I have heard you calling in the night. I will go Lord, if you lead