



Entrance Hymn:  
**O COME, O COME EMMANUEL**

O come, O come Emmanuel,  
To free your captive Israel.  
That mourns in lonely exile here,  
Until the Son of God appear.

**Rejoice, rejoice, O Israel,  
To you shall come Emmanuel.**

O come, great daystar, radiance bright,  
And heal us with your glorious light.  
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night,  
And death's dark shadows put to flight,

**Rejoice, rejoice, O Israel,  
To you shall come Emmanuel.**

Recessional Hymn:  
**Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God**

Seek ye first the Kingdom of God  
and His righteousness  
And all these things shall be added  
unto you, Allelu Alleluia

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia,  
Allelu, Alleluia.**

Ask and it shall be given unto you  
Seek and you shall find  
Knock and the door shall be opened  
unto you  
Allelu Alleluia

**Alleluia, Alleluia .....**

Notices for the Churches of Sts. Mary & Peter, Arklow and St. David, Johnstown - Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> December 2018

**Mass Intentions**

<b>Saturday</b> 6.30 p.m.	<b>8th December</b> Mary Myler Theo, Pearl and Kathleen Hickson Jane McDonald Brendan Mates Peter Cassell Babs Barnes
<b>Sunday</b> 8.30 a.m. 11.30 a.m.	<b>9th December</b> - Rose & Michael Mordaunt & granddaughter Susan. Paddy and Stasia O'Toole Bernarda Garkowska (Month's Mind)
7.00 p.m.	-
<b>Monday</b> 8.00 a.m. 10.00 a.m.	<b>10th December</b> - Joan Russell Nicky Russell (Months Mind)
<b>Tuesday</b> 8.00 a.m. 10.00 a.m.	<b>11th December</b> - Michael Penston
<b>Wednesday</b> 8.00 a.m. 10.00 a.m.	<b>12th December</b> - Leslie Davis Eleanor Lee
<b>Thursday</b> 8.00 a.m. 10.00 a.m.	<b>13th December</b> - -
<b>Friday</b> 8.00 a.m. 10.00 a.m.	<b>14th December</b> - -
<b>Saturday</b> 10.00 a.m.	<b>15th December</b> Pat, Kathleen & Patricia Kinsella

Parish Visitation of Meadow Vale Green continues this week. *Thank you for the warm welcome.*

**Saint Vincent de Paul:** The Annual Bench collection takes place at all Masses this weekend. Thank you for your continued support.



- **Morning Prayer of the Church for Advent** each morning (Monday to Saturday) at 9.45 a.m. All are welcome.
- **Thank you** for your generous response to last weekend's annual **Crosscare Food Appeal**. Your continued support is greatly appreciated.
- The Christmas edition of **the Parish Newsletter** will be distributed to all homes in the parish during the coming week. The **Church Christmas Calendar** with all Mass times over the Christmas period is included. **Christmas Dues Envelopes** are also attached.

*A time to prepare for Christmas.....*

**Unwrapping the Christmas Gift**

Are the names of the 'Three Wise Men' mentioned in the Bible?  
Explore the Gospel accounts of the Birth of Jesus in a new way.

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> December at 7.30p.m. in Arus Lorcain.

Facilitator: Fr. Diarmuid Byrne ✨

**Advent**

**Sunday 9th December**

**Family Advent Quiz and Bingo** (with prizes) Árus Lorcain 2pm. Bring the family, grandad, grandma, cousins. All welcome.

**Coffee and Chat after morning school drop off**  
Every Monday of Advent  
**9.30am** in Arus

**Parish Confession for Christmas**

Parish Confession for Christmas with 10 priests from nearby parishes takes place on **Wed 19<sup>th</sup> December at 8p.m.**

**Look Family Newsletter** - Please pick up a copy at the side Altars before you leave.

Christmas Cards and Gifts are now available in Arus Lorcain. **This year we have beautiful personalised cards from Arklow Parish**

**Christmas Carol Service**

The Annual Parish **Christmas Carol Service** takes place here in the Church of Sts. Mary & Peter at 4.00p.m. on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> December. All are very welcome

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"Let it be done unto me according to your word." Luke 1:38

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Creating the best parts of World Youth Day here in Dublin for those who can't go. It will be a celebration of faith, we'll live stream the Pope's talks and Homilies, we'll have music, workshops, drama, food, fun & fellowship.

**dare to say yes**

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• FROM 5 PM JANUARY 26TH • TO 5 PM JANUARY 27TH •  
(Bring your sleeping bags!)

How to book?  
[www.emmauscentre.ie](http://www.emmauscentre.ie)

€15 per person (incl. evening meal, breakfast, lunch Tea + Coffee)

For more information:  
Contact us at [wyd@emmauscentre.ie](mailto:wyd@emmauscentre.ie)  
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**PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK 2019**

Saturday 27 April 2019  
Time: 11.00am - 4.30pm

Dublin Pilgrimage will be led by Archbishop Diarmuid Martin

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*A long time ago in Bethlehem*

**Cruinniu**

'Carols by Candlelight'  
Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> December  
2018 at 8p.m.  
Church of Sts Mary & Peter

2ND SUNDAY @ Advent

**Extract from the Statement of the Winter 2018 General Meeting of the Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference:**

**Abortion cannot be supported**

"We are dismayed that, for the most part, the voices of those who voted against abortion in May's referendum have been ignored. Even what many people would have deemed to have been very reasonable legislative amendments seeking to provide women with information and to prohibit abortion on the grounds of sex, race or disability, have been rejected.

"Irish society must have respect for the right of conscientious objection for all healthcare professionals and pharmacists. They cannot be forced either to participate in abortion or to refer patients to others for abortion.

"Every one of us has a right to life. It is not given to us by the *Constitution of Ireland* or by any law. We have it 'as of right', whether we are wealthy or poor, healthy or sick. All human beings have it. The direct and intentional taking of human life at any stage is gravely wrong and can never be justified.

All are welcome to a **Holy Hour for Life** in the Church on 12th December from 7.30p.m. - 8.30p.m.

**'Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe'**

**South Wicklow Pilgrimage to Medjugorje**

11<sup>th</sup> June 2019 - 7 Nights half board.  
€725 per person inclusive of group travel insurance. **Early booking offer of €100 off if paid in full by 12<sup>th</sup> December 2018.**  
Contact: Joe Walsh Tours or Parish Office