



Mass Intentions

**Saturday 17th January**

**6.30pm**  
Arlene Dempsey (1st Anniv)  
Pauline O'Boyle (2nd Anniv)  
Mary, Reggie & Maisie Gleeson (Anniv)  
Paddy O'Reilly (Anniv)  
Fr Paddy O'Reilly (Anniv)  
Aidan Ford (Anniv)  
Edward Long (Anniv)  
Michael Allen (Anniv)

**Sunday 18th January**

**11.30am**  
Ailish Kenny (Month's Mind)  
Pat Synnott (3rd Anniv)  
James (Jim) Kennedy (5th Anniv)  
Patrick & Conor Clune (Anniv)  
Mary May Sheane (Anniv)  
Joe McGeary (Anniv)  
John & Anne Byrne (Anniv)  
John & Molly Vickers (Anniv)  
MaryAnn Carroll (Anniv)  
Julia Byrne (Anniv)  
Dinny Keogh (Anniv)

**Tuesday 20th January**

**10am**  
Nan Conroy (Anniv)

**Castletown**

**Saturday 17th January**

**8pm**  
Joseph & Catherine Gooding

**Johnstown**

**Sunday 18th January**

**10am**  
William Moorehouse (Anniv)  
Edward Moorehouse (Anniv)

## February dates for the Diary

**Sunday 1st February**

St Brigid's Day  
Polish Mass  
Chat N Cha after 11.30am Mass

**Monday 2nd February**

The Presentation of the Lord  
Candlemas Day Candles will be blessed at 10am Mass

**Tuesday 3rd February**

St Blaise Blessing of the Throats

**Thursday 5th February**

First Confession  
Sts Michael & Peter 7pm

**Saturday 7th February**

Family Mass 6.30pm

**Sunday 8th February**

International Day of Prayer and Awareness against Human Trafficking

**Wednesday 11th February**

Our Lady of Lourdes  
World Day of the Sick

**Thursday 12th February**

First Confession  
Scoil Ghormáin Naofa  
St Patrick's Castletown 2pm

First Confession

Gaelscoil an Inbhir Mhóir 7.30pm

**Sunday 15th February**

Day of Prayer or Temperance

## February dates for the Diary

**Monday 16th February**

First Confession  
Scoil Íosagáin Coolgreany  
St David's Johnstown 7pm

**Tuesday 17th February**

First Confession  
Bearna Chlé  
St David's Johnstown 11am

**Wednesday 18th February**

Ash Wednesday

**Friday 20th February**

Day of Prayer for Victims of Abuse

### Liturgical Calendar January

Tuesday 20th St Fabian

St Sebastian

Wednesday 21st St Agnes

Thursday 22nd St Vincent

Friday 23rd St Francis de Sales

Candlemas Day

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> February



Candles on sale in the Parish Office

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> January. Candles that are

Blessed at 10am Mass on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup>

February and for home use can be collected on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> February in the Parish Office, donated Candles will be left in the Church.

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

**with St David's Johnstown**

**Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**18th January 2026**

**Week of Prayer for Christian Unity**

**Catholic School week begins**



**Catholic Schools Week 2026**

Catholic Schools: Normal Lives, Called to Holiness

"Holiness does not mean performing extraordinary things, but doing ordinary things with love and faith"- Pope Francis of Blessed Carlo Acutis

### Daily Themes

Each day of the week reflects a different dimension of our call to holiness:

Monday: Called to Holiness through Prayer

Tuesday: Called to Holiness through Love and Friendship

Wednesday : Called to Holiness in Family Life-Grandparents Day

Thursday: Called to Holiness through Service and Courage

Friday: Called to Holiness through Joy and Mission

"The saints show us that holiness is not about escape from the world but deep engagement with it in the Spirit of Christ" Pope Leo XIV

**Secondary School Pupils will attend 10am Mass Friday 23rd January.**

### Meetings for Parents preparing their children for First Holy Communion

**Tuesday 20th January**

Bearna Chlé parents meeting  
St David's Church Johnstown 7pm.

**Tuesday 27th January**

Scoil Ghormáin Naofa parents meeting National School 7pm.

**Thursday 29th January**

Sts Michael & Peter Junior School parents with Carysfort Árus Lorcaín 7pm.

### Meeting for Parents preparing their children for Confirmation

**Tuesday 3rd February**

Scoil Ghormáin Naofa parents meeting National School 7pm.

### With Sympathy

Sympathies are extended to the family and friends of Capt Barrett Job (Barry) Tyrrell May he rest in peace.



A Night of Music & Dance

2 Course Meal Raffle

Saturday 31st of January 2026

7pm

Arklow Bay Hotel

Arklow, Co. Wicklow

Tickets : €30.00

### Gathering Hymn

**City of God**

Awake from your slumber! arise from your sleep!

A new day is dawning for all those who weep.

The people in darkness have seen a great light.

The Lord of our longing has conquered the night.

**R/ Let us build the city of God.**

**May our tears be turned into dancing**

**For the Lord, our light and our love, has turned the night into day!**

We are sons of the morning; we are daughters of day.  
The One who has loved us has brightened our way.  
The Lord of all kindness has called us to be a light for his people to set their hearts free.

### Recession Hymn

**Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God**

Seek ye first the kingdom of God,  
And his righteousness,  
And all these things will be added unto you;

**R/ Allelu Alleluia.**

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, Allele, 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 R/**