

Parish of Sts. Mary & Peter, Arklow with St. David, Johnstown –Sunday 11h July 2021

Mass Intentions

Saturday 6.30 p.m.	10th July Mary Power O'Shea (1st Anniv) Jlm Russell (Anniv)
Sunday 8.30 a.m. 11.30 a.m.	11th July Tom & Mary O'Reilly (Anniv) Pat O'Neill (Months Mind) Lillie Banfield (Anniv) Sonny Cabigting (Rec Dec)
7 p.m.	
Mon 10 a.m.	12th July
Tuesday 10 a.m.	13th July
Wednesday 10 am	14th July
Thursday 10 a.m.	15th July
Friday 10 a.m.	16th July Vincent McElheron(Anniv)

Our condolences to the families of the following recently deceased:

Belinda Cooney	Abbey St.
Tom Larkin	Fr Redmond Park
James Hughes	knockenrahan



The Week Ahead

Mass 10 am Monday to

Saturday.

Weekend Mass 6.30pm Sat Vigil;

Sunday 8.30am, 11.30am & 7pm.

Adoration Holy Hour Tuesday, Friday &

Sunday 3 to 4 pm.

Rosary daily following 10am Mass.



LITURGICAL CALENDAR JULY

Tues 13th St Henry
Wed 14th St Camillus
Thurs 15th St Bonaventure
Fri 16th Our Lady of Mt Carmel
Sat 17th Mass of the Blessed Virgin Mary



SUMMER DUES

Thank you to all who have returned Summer Dues. The response to the Summer Dues is very positive. Please continue to contribute to the Common Fund and to support priests in this new way. With everyone's effort hopefully we can begin to build up the Common Fund again and provide a means of income while no collection baskets are passed at Sunday Mass and numbers attending are restricted. Your support is deeply appreciated. Summer Dues Envelopes remain available in the Church and can be returned to either priest or the Shrine box. Thank you.

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COVID-19 SUPPORT LINE FOR OLDER PEOPLE

ALONE manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to COVID-19. Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week,

8am - 8pm, by calling 0818 222 024

Pope Francis' recovery from intestinal



surgery continues to be "regular and satisfactory." The Vatican has revealed that final examinations showed he had suffered a "severe" narrowing of his colon. A Vatican spokesman, Matteo Bruni, said the 84-year-old Pope was continuing to eat regularly following his surgery to remove the left side of his colon, and that intravenous therapy has been suspended. We keep the Holy Father in our prayers.

FAMILIES WALKING TOGETHER IN HOPE

The 'Walking Together in Hope' initiative will be launched on **25 August 2021 at Saint Mary's Pro-Cathedral**. The Archdiocese of Dublin will provide some simple and achievable ideas for families and parishes starting in September 2021. We want to encourage families to take part in various initiatives to support faith lived in the home and celebrated together in our parishes. Our goal is to celebrate moments of hope and joy in family life, with resources suitable for learning, living and leading faith that are complementary to the way family is lived today.

A Reflection on Today's Gospel

Recall that last week we heard how Jesus was rejected in his hometown of Nazareth. The insertion of the reminder about John the Baptist's ministry and his death at the hands of Herod in Mark's Gospel makes a similar point. Mark reminds his readers about this dangerous context for Jesus' ministry and that of his disciples. Preaching repentance and the Kingdom of God is dangerous business for Jesus and for his disciples. Mark wants his readers to remember that we, too, may find resistance as we choose to be disciples of Jesus.

Mark's Gospel tells us that Jesus sent out the Twelve. These twelve were selected from among Jesus' disciples and named by Mark in chapter 3. Mark notes that these twelve are also called "apostles." The word *apostle* means "one who is sent."

AWARE - SUPPORT & SELF CARE GROUPS

If you, or those with whom you work wish to connect with people in relation to your mental wellbeing, please consider using the Phone In and Zoom Support & Self Care Groups, the Support Line or Support Mail, now and throughout the summer. These services provide support, coping skills and information – and most importantly help people who are in distress to know and feel that they are not alone in their experience. For more information about the groups <https://www.aware.ie/support/support-groups/> and all of our services on www.aware.ie



Glorious Patriarch Saint Joseph, whose power makes the impossible possible, come to my aid in these times of anguish and difficulty.

Take under your protection the serious and troubling situations that I commend to you, that they may have a happy outcome. My beloved father, all my trust is in you. Let it not be said that I invoked you in vain, and since you can do everything with Jesus and Mary, show me that your goodness is as great as your power. Amen.

TASK FORCE: BUILDING HOPE – PUBLIC CONSULTATION

Archbishop Farrell has set up a Task Force under the title of *Building Hope*. The Task Force aims to stimulate engagement with the whole diocesan family and shape an inclusive approach to a pastoral strategy appropriate to our times. It is intended to support parish communities to undertake a radical renewal, looking to the future with creativity, enabling the Archdiocese of Dublin to act now, so as to give effective witness and service in the years ahead. You are invited to take part in this consultation. There is a video, a prayer and a form on the www.dublindiocese.ie website. Please watch the video from the Archbishop and join with your family to pray and to discuss the future of the Church together.