

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Sunday, August 15, 2021



Today's feast celebrates Mary's Assumption into heaven. It is one of three feasts of Mary that are Holy Days of Obligation for Catholics.

The assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary into heaven has long been held as an important Catholic belief. The belief was not defined as dogma, however, until 1950 by Pope Pius XII. The dogma teaches that Mary, who was without sin, was taken, body and soul, into the glory of heaven.

Today's Gospel highlights Mary's faith. Mary's faith enabled her to recognize the work of God in her people's history and in her own life. Her openness to God allowed God to work through her so that salvation might come to all. Mary is a model and symbol of the Church.



Knock to host Eurovision Assumption Mass
This Sunday August 15 – the Solemnity of the Assumption – a Eurovision Mass will be celebrated and broadcast live from Knock Basilica on RTÉ One at 11am.

The main celebrant will be Fr Richard Gibbons, PP and Rector of Knock Shrine. The liturgy will feature music by the Schola Cantorum Basilicae under the direction of Úna Nolan with Organist Mark Keane.

The Mass will also be broadcast live via the Eurovision Global Network making it available to viewers in France, Belgium, the Netherlands, Switzerland, Austria, and Portugal and livestreamed on www.knockshrine.ie/watch

"A person's steps are made secure by the Lord when they delight in his way. Though they trip up, they won't be thrown down, because the Lord holds their hand."

Psalm 37:23-24



Fr John Harris OP was recently elected Prior Provincial of the Dominican Order.



The Order of Preachers, which is the official name of the Dominicans, is a worldwide religious Order founded by Saint Dominic in 1216. The Order is made up of friars (priests and brothers), contemplative nuns, apostolic sisters, and laity. Dominicans are preachers of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. The best known motto of the Order is Veritas (Latin for "truth").

Synodal Pathway



On 10 March 2021, the Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference announced a new Synodal Pathway for the Catholic Church in Ireland leading to the holding of a National Synodal Assembly within the next five years.

Since Pope Francis hosted the 2018 Ordinary General Assembly of Bishops in Rome, Bishops in Ireland have been giving active consideration to calling a National Synodal Assembly for the local Church here.

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

Mass Intentions

Saturday	14th August
10.00 a.m.	
6.30 p.m.	Monsignor Colm Gallagher (Birthday Remembrance) Matt Sharpe (Anniv) Jimmy O'Connor (Anniv) TP Brady (Anniv) Denis (Dinny) Copeland
Sunday	15th August
8.30 a.m.	
11.30 a.m.	
7 p.m.	Breda McDonald (Months Mind)
Mon	16th August
10 a.m.	
Tuesday	17th August
10 a.m.	
Wednesday	18th August
10 am	
Thursday	19th August
10 a.m.	Brid Ann Carolan
Friday	20th August
10 a.m.	

With Sympathy

Our prayers and sympathy are offered to the family and friends of

Frances Tunny (née Kenny)
Vivienne Jarrett (née Briggs)

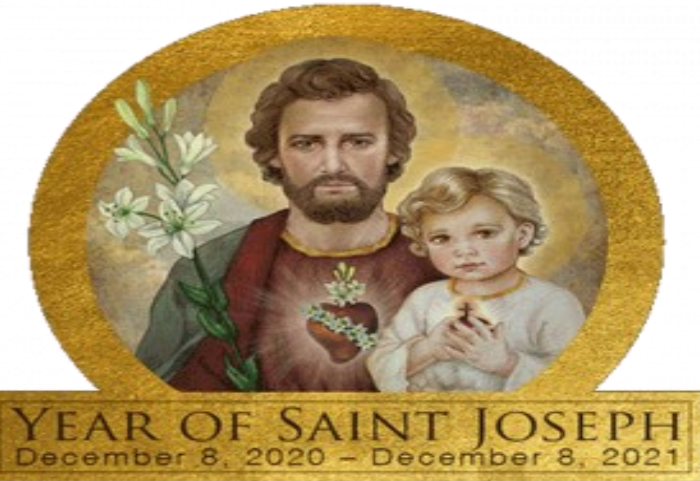
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Who died recently
May they rest in peace



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 August

Monday 16th August—St Stephen of Hungary
Tuesday 17th August—Our Lady of Knock
Wednesday 18th August -
Thursday 19th August—St John Eudes
Friday 20th August—St Bernard
Saturday 21st August—St Pius X



Baptisms: From 5th August Baptism services may proceed. However, they must follow all protective measures and social gatherings afterwards should be avoided.



If you wish to book a baptism please contact Siobhán on (0402) 31716 or email secretary@arklowparish.ie

We remember all our parishioners who are sick or in hospital at this time. We will keep them in our thoughts and prayers.

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If you would like to book a mass intention please call the Parish Office on (0402) 31716 or Email: office@arklowparish.ie
Mass Cards are also available to purchase in the Parish Office.

Note: If you wish for your mass intention to appear in the weekly newsletter please ensure you have booked the mass before 10am on Friday.

