Parish of Sts. Mary & Peter, Arklow with St. David, Johnstown –Sunday 4th July 2021



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30th June 2021

Dear Father and Deacon,

The advice regarding religious ceremonies published by the Government late this afternoon was as follows:

"It is advised that religious ceremonies such as Baptisms, First Holy Communions and Confirmations should not take place at this time. Further advice will follow on the resumption of these ceremonies when it is safe to do so "

I ask parishes to follow this advice in regard to the celebration of the sacraments of First Holy Communion and Confirmation.

Where there are strong pastoral reasons to celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism, the family requesting it should be asked to confirm in writing the need to observe current public health guidelines.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

Jern Jonell

+Dermot Farrell Archbishop of Dublin

The letter above was received by Archbishop Dermot Farrell regarding First Holy Communions and Confirmations. This applies to all Communions and Confirmations for 2021, However, Fr O'Cochláin will be in touch with parents of children who were due to make their sacraments in 2020 and had received dates recently.

70 YEARS A PRIEST

On Tuesday last the Solemnity of St Peter & St Paul, Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI celebrated

the 70th Anniversary of his Priestly Ordination. The Holy Father Pope Francis addressed him saying:

"And today marks an anniversary that touches the hearts of us all: 70 years ago, Pope Benedict was ordained a priest. To you, Benedict, dear Father and brother, goes our affection, our gratitude and our closeness. He lives in the monastery, a place intended to house the contemplative communities here in the Vatican, so that they could pray for the Church. He is now the contemplative of the Vatican, who spends his life praying for the Church and for the diocese of Rome, of which he is bishop emeritus. Thank you, Benedict, dear father and brother. Thank you for your credible witness. Thank you for your gaze, constantly directed towards the horizon of God: thank you!"

Pope's Prayer Intention for July:

Social Friendship



VOCATIONS

In his video message on the prayer intention for July 2021, Pope Francis urges "that in social, economic and political situations of conflict, we may be courageous and passionate architects of dialogue and friendship", against polarization and populism.

Pray for Vocations

Let's keep Vocations to the Priesthood especially in our prayers. God continues to call all who are baptised to follow

Him and He calls some to follow through the ministry of Priesthood. Let us "pray therefore the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest." (Mt 9:38)

Our condolences to the families of the following recently deceased:

Formerly Arklow Formerly Arklow Formerly Arklow



ETER'S PENCE

The annual Peter's collection Pence takes place on the

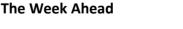
ter and Paul. So it is held today, Saturday, 3rd and Sunday 4th July. The Peter's Pence Collection provides Pope Francis with the funds he needs to carry out his charitable works around the world. Each year Peter's Pence collection replaces the Share Collection. Your donation for Peter's Pence can be made today in the Share box at the entrance and exit doors. Thank you.

Building Hope

A Task Force To Prepare a Way Forward

Archbishop Farrell has established a Task Force called Building Hope. The Task Force has been asked to begin with an assessment of the needs of the people of the Archdiocese and to work to support parish communities to undertake a radical renewal, looking to the future with creativity. Sharing your thoughts and experiences will be invaluable as we seek to enable the Archdiocese to act now so as to give effective witness and service in the years ahead. You are invited to visit the diocesan webpage at dublindiocese.ie and go to taskforce-request-for-contributions and participate by offering your responses. You can also visit the diocesan webpage for an information video from our Archbishop

Mon 5th July St. Anthony Zaccaria Tues 6th July St. Maria Goretti Wed 7th July St Maelruain Thurs 8th July St Kilian Fri 9th July Ss Augustine Zhao & Companions (China). Sat 9th July Mass of the BVM



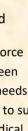




Kay Byrne Michael Broughen Malcolm Sheely



Sunday nearest to the Feast of SS Pe-



Catholic Liturgical Calendar 2021 Week Ahead



Mass Intentions

	Saturday	3rd July
	6.30 p.m.	Luke Wadden (Months Mind) George Duffy (Anniv) Patrick, Marcella, Mary & Theresa Kavanagh (Anniv) Thady & Margaret Loftus (Anniv) Kay Byrne (Recently deceased)
	Sunday	4th July
	8.30 a.m.	
	11.30 a.m.	Gerry Byrne (Anniv) Mary Thomas (Anniv) William & Marie Byrne (Anniv) Joan Bradshaw (Anniv) Donal Murray (1st Anniv) Tom & May O'Reilly (Anniv) Francis Kinsella (Anniv) Billy Kinsella (Anniv) Michael Kinsella (1st Anniv) Ciaran Walsh (Anniv)
	7 p.m.	June Lennon (Anniv) Ruth Bandales Camba Cruz (Anniv) Mitos Bandales Camba Dec Members of Cruz & Camba Family
	10 a.m. Wednesday 10 am Thursday 10 a.m.	5th July Liam Barnes (Anniv) 6th July 7th July 8th July 9th July
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