

Mass Intentions

Saturday 19th December
10.00 a.m. Kathleen, Pat & Patricia Kinsella
6.30 p.m. Edward, Lizzie & Ned McLoughlin
Mary O'Reilly (1st Anniversary)
Fred Ryan
Billy Kelly
Paddy Murray

Sunday 20th December
8:30 a.m. Paddy & Stacia O'Toole
Nadine Lott (1st Anniversary)
John Roche

10.00 Johnstown
Richard Mills
Angela O'Leary

11.00 Castletown
11.30 a.m. Edward Kelly
Betty Breen
James McKenna
Margaret Doyle
Caryl Breslin
Colm & Declan Kelly
Aodán Ryan
Michael O'Neill & Ann Winters

7.00 p.m. Monday 21st December
10.00 a.m.

Tuesday 22nd December
10:00 a.m.

Wednesday 23rd December
10.00 a.m. Charlene Kinsella
Ann Kinsella (special intention)
Margaret Kinsella (special intention)
Jack & Mary Quirke

Thursday 24th December
10:00 a.m.

Friday 25th December
10.00 a.m.

Saturday 26th December
10.00 a.m.



Christmas Schedule

Church of Sts. Mary & Peter, Arklow

RESTRICTIONS, PLACES LIMITED
BOOKING ESSENTIAL

- Christmas Eve, Thursday, 24th December
10 am. (Followed by Confessions)
4 pm., (Special Mass for people who have been house bound since Covid struck and their families)
6 pm, 8 pm, 10 pm. & 12 Midnight
Christmas Day, Friday 25th December
8.30 am, 10 am. & 11.30 am.

St Stephen's Day, Saturday 26th December
10 am Saturday Mass
6.30pm Vigil Mass Feast of the Holy Family

Holy Family Feast, Sunday 27th December
Masses 8.30 am, 11.30 am & 7 pm

St. David's Church Johnstown
Wednesday 23rd December
Confessions after 10 am Mass

Christmas Eve, Thursday 24th December
Vigil Mass at 9 pm.

Christmas Day, Friday 25th December
10 am.

Holy Family Feast, Sunday 27th December
Mass 10 am,

PARISH OFFICE CHRISTMAS OPENING TIMES

The Parish Office will close for Christmas holidays on Tuesday 22nd December at 1 pm and reopen on Monday 4th January 2021 at 9 am.



Parish of Sts. Mary & Peter, Arklow with St. David's, Johnstown

Sunday 20th December 2020



Arrangements for Christmas Masses 24th December 2020 until 6th January 2021

Due to the restrictions imposed on us, we are expecting pressure on the numbers attending Christmas Masses. We are operating a phone in/email booking service to accommodate as many people and families as we can, but we may not be able to fit everybody, as in former years.

Please contact the Parish Office, Ph 0402-31716 or office@arklowparish.ie and you will be directed to the available places at each Mass during the period 24th December 2020 - 6th January 2021. If due to pressure of spaces, you do not get a place on Christmas Eve or Christmas Day, we will accommodate you on St. Stephen's Day, 26th December or the Feast of the Holy Family, Sunday, 27th December. We apologize for the inconvenience, but will try to accommodate you as best we can.



Please note that the 4pm, 6pm & 8pm Masses on Christmas Eve are fully booked, there are limited places available at 10am, 10pm and Midnight. There are also limited places available on Christmas Day at 8.30am, 10am and 11.30am.

Papal Visit Iraq



Announcement has been made about a pastoral journey by Pope Francis to Iraq. The country has strong biblical connections. It was inhabited by prophets, the oldest of whom was Abraham. Iraq is the country of the Prophet Jonah who lived in Nineveh and called for repentance and permanent return to God. It is also the country in which the people were exiled in the Old Testament during the exile to Babylon. The visit of the Holy Father will be the first by the successor of Saint Peter. It is hoped that the visit will take place at a time when the epidemic-related conditions have improved in the world countries. The official Vatican statement said.

CAROL SERVICE

Sunday 20th Dec,
3-4 pm with local artists



Limited number of seats available.

Due to restrictions, we are unable to have the usual size congregation, service can be viewed on the Arklow Parish webcam www.arklowparish.ie

TIMES OF CONFESSIONS

Monday 21st December - Castletown - 10.30 am

Wednesday 23rd December - Johnstown - 10.30 am

Thursday 24th December - Arklow - 10.30 am

At their recent Facebook live prize giving ceremony Arklow Christmas Festival Committee awarded a Special recognition award to St Mary and Peters Church for the huge effort they put into the new lights at the church this year. I'm sure you all agree it lights up the parade ground and gives a beacon of light atop the town. Congratulations to all concerned



Come Lord Jesus
Tar A Thiarna Íosa

With Sympathy

Sympathies are extended to the family and friends of Mark Canavan Kilmagig, Avoca who died recently. May he rest in peace.

