

**Parish of Sts. Mary & Peter, Arklow
with St. David's, Johnstown
Sunday 27th February 2022
Eight Sunday in Ordinary Time
Day of Prayer for Temperance**

Mass Intentions

Saturday 6.30 p.m.	26th February William P O'Connor Ann Lambert Marion Duffy
Sunday 8.30 a.m. 11.30 a.m.	27th February Marie Browne (Months Mind) Jimmie Mills Jnr Willie & Betty Tyrrell
Thursday 10.00 a.m.	3rd March Marie Kane

With Sympathy

Sympathies are extended to the family and friends of



Charlotte Luck
Canon Pat Carroll
John Robert Smith
&
Ann Maguire

who died recently may they rest in peace.

LITURGICAL CALENDAR

Monday 28th February
Tuesday 1st March -St David
Wednesday 2nd March -Ash Wednesday
Thursday 3rd March
Friday 4th March -St Casimir
Saturday 5th March -St Kieran



#ListeningLent

The Office for Mission and Ministry are offering daily reflections for the Lenten Journey. Starting on Ash Wednesday reflections will be posted each morning on the Facebook page of the office for Mission and Ministry.
www.facebook.com/officeformissionandministry

Background on the Gospel Reading

The third and final section of Luke's Sermon on the Plain begins: He told them a parable all about how to be a good disciple. The blind cannot lead the blind. And a disciple cannot be a good disciple unless he or she has learned from the teacher. Everyone who is fully trained is like the teacher who knows how to cure the blind. Before you can be a good disciple and teach others you must take care of yourself. Do not try to take a speck out of your brother's eye until you have taken the board out of your own. Finally, only when you have purified yourself can you produce the good works that the teacher requires. When people see your good deeds they will know that this is because you have a good heart.

Ash Wednesday 2nd March

**Mass 8am and 10am Arklow -
Mass 10am Johnstown**



We celebrate Ash Wednesday, the first day of the liturgical season of Lent. In this season, we prepare ourselves to celebrate the high point of our Christian life, Easter. The traditional Lenten practices of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving during the season of Lent.

The meaning behind tracing a cross on our foreheads with ashes (the liturgical sign of Ash Wednesday) is a summary of our Christian life. On one level, the ashes remind us of our origin and our death. (In the words of the prayer said when we receive ashes: "Remember that you are dust and to dust you shall return.") The ashes are also the sign of our victory: the cross of Christ. In his death and resurrection, Christ conquered death. Our destiny as Christians is to receive the victory over death that Christ won for us. We acknowledge that victory when we "[t]urn away from sin and [are] faithful to the gospel," words from the alternative prayer when we are signed with ashes.

Mass times for Lent

Ash Wednesday 8am & 10am.
Mass 10am Monday to Saturday.
Extra Mass Monday and Wednesday 8am.
Stations of the Cross 12 noon Fridays during Lent.
Confessions 10.30 Saturday Morning.
Weekend Mass 6.30pm Sat Vigil.
Sunday 8.30am, 11.30am & 7pm.
Adoration Holy Hour Tuesday, Friday &
Sunday 3 to 4pm (During Lent 2pm to 5pm Sundays)
Rosary daily following 10am Mass.
Mass in Johnstown 10am on Fridays.

Important

If you received a letter in the post for CHY3, please sign and return to the Parish Office as soon as possible. Any enquires please call Treasa on (0402)31335



Women's World Day of Prayer 4th March 2022

Service at Arklow Methodist Church Ferrybank @7.30pm



A global ecumenical movement of Christian women. In more than 170 countries, they come together on the first Friday in March to join in prayer and action for peace and justice. **The World Day of Prayer** brings together women of various races, cultures and churches in fellowship and understanding.

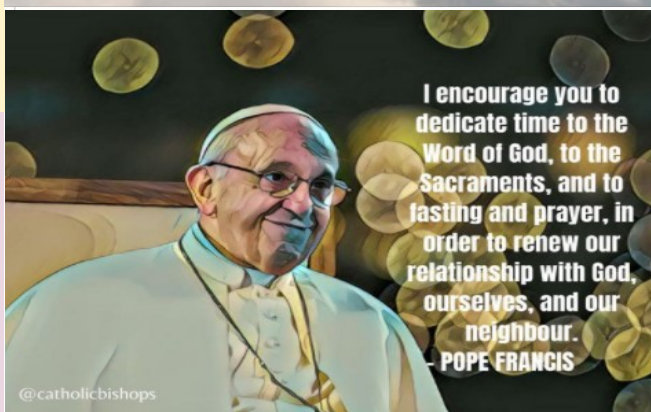
Thank you to the anonymous donation we received from a very kind person of €500 this has been given to Concern for their Afghanistan appeal. Thank You.



**ASH WEDNESDAY 2ND MARCH
A DAY OF FASTING FOR PEACE**



I invite everyone to make this coming 2nd March, Ash Wednesday, a Day of Fasting for Peace: let believers dedicate themselves intensively to prayer and fasting. May the Queen of Peace preserve the world from the madness of war.
- Pope Francis



I encourage you to dedicate time to the Word of God, to the Sacraments, and to fasting and prayer, in order to renew our relationship with God, ourselves, and our neighbour.
- POPE FRANCIS

A new Parish Pastoral Council is in the process of being formed if you feel you have talents to offer please contact Fr Pádraig with your Name and Contact details.



Our Parish will be entering the Diocesan Synodal deliberations shortly two animators have kindly volunteered to assist us in this venture.

The Ceremony of Light is a pre-Confirmation ceremony and is an important event in preparing the children for Confirmation. A key part of the service is when parents hand the lighted Baptismal candle to their child, acknowledging that their child is now ready to become a responsible Christian.



At their child's Baptism, parents light the Baptismal candle from the Paschal candle, symbolising their commitment to pass their faith on to their child. In the same way, at the Ceremony of Light, parents once again light their child's Baptismal candle from the Paschal candle and hand it to their child. In doing so, parents promise to help and support their child live out the call of their Confirmation. They are agreeing, together with their child, to keep the light of faith burning in all of their lives.

We are delighted to celebrate the Ceremony of Light this year with our Confirmation classes.

Thursday 3rd March

Scoil Ghormáin Naofa 7.30pm

Monday 7th & Tuesday 8th March

St Johns 7.30pm

Wednesday 9th & Thursday 10th March

Gaelscoil an Inbhir Mhóir 7.30pm

Communions for 2022

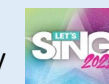
St Michael & Peter's	8th & 15th May	10am
Scoil Ghormáin Naofa	22nd May	11am
Bearna Chlé	29th May	10am
Scoil Iosagáin	12th June	10am
Gaelscoil	12th June	10am

Confirmations for 2022

Gaelscoil	31st March	11.30am
Gaelscoil	31st March	3pm
Scoil Ghormáin Naofa	1st April	11.30am
St John's	2nd April	11.30am
St John's	2nd April	3pm

"Lets Sing"

Lets Sing is back every Thursday morning 11am to 12pm beginning in March in Arus Lorcaín.



Sing a variety of songs, old and new in a fun, non-competitive atmosphere at a cost of just €5 per week. To register your interest, call Rosarii on (0402) 32248 or text 089 2639242.

Congratulations to the children who were baptised recently

Lachlann Peter Callanan
&
Daisy Mae Doyle



I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit