

Month of the Holy Souls

It is during the month of November that the Church meditates on the Communion of Saints,

Pope St. Paul VI in *Credo of the People of God*:

We believe in the communion of all the faithful of Christ,

- ◇ those who are pilgrims on earth,
- ◇ the dead who are being purified,
- ◇ and the blessed in heaven,

all together forming one Church; and we believe that in this communion, the merciful love of God and his saints is always [attentive] to our prayers (CCC, 962).

On **1st November** the Church celebrates the **Solemnity of All Saints**, a Holy Day of Obligation, honouring all those faithful in heaven, the known and unknown saints.

November 2nd All Souls Day is the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed, a day set aside to pray for all the dead. All Souls Day shifts the Church's focus on praying for the Faithful Departed throughout November. The need and duty of prayer for the dead has been acknowledged by the Church. It is recommended in the Scriptures of the Old Testament: *"It is therefore a holy and wholesome thought to pray for the dead, that they may be loosed from sins"* (2 Macc. 12: 46). This duty is expressed in public and private prayers but especially in the offering of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass for the repose of souls.

The prayers are particularly directed for the souls who are being purified in Purgatory, waiting for the day when they will join the saints in heaven. The celebration of Mass is the highest means the Church can provide for charity for the dead, but we can also relieve their sufferings through our prayers, sufferings and penances. We can particularly help the Poor Souls by doing acts and prayers that have indulgences attached to them.

Indulgenced Acts for the Faithful Departed

There are many indulgences, applicable only to the Souls in Purgatory, that can be obtained during the month of November. From the fourth edition of the *Enchiridion of Indulgences*, 1999:

1. A *plenary indulgence*, applicable only to the souls in purgatory, is granted to the faithful who, on any and each day from November 1 to 8, devoutly visit a cemetery and pray, if only mentally, for the departed;

◇ On All Souls' Day (or, according to the judgment of the ordinary, on the Sunday preceding or following it, or on the solemnity of All Saints), devoutly visit a church or an oratory and recite an Our Father and the Creed.

◇ A *partial indulgence*, applicable only to the souls in purgatory, is granted to the faithful who, devoutly visit a cemetery and at least mentally pray for the dead;

◇ Devoutly recite lauds or vespers from the Office of the Dead or the prayer *Requiem aeternam* (Eternal rest grant unto to them, O Lord and may perpetual light shine upon them and remain with them forever and may they rest in peace. Amen. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen).



Mass 10am Monday to Saturday.

Weekend Mass 6.30pm Sat Vigil.

8pm Castletown

Sunday 8.30am, 11.30am & 7pm.

10am Johnstown

Adoration Holy Hour Tuesday,

Friday & Sunday 5 to 6 pm.

Rosary daily following 10am Mass

Confessions after 10am Mass on

Saturday's (unless there is a funeral)

Tuesday 1st November All Saints Day

10am Mass & 7pm Arklow

10am Mass Johnstown

8pm Castletown



Altar List for the Dead are available on the Altar Rails. Altar lists can be returned to either of the Priest's, Parish Office or Shrine box.

This weekend we will resume our normal bag collection. Tap and go service is available at the main entrance.



Parish of Sts. Mary & Peter, Arklow

with St. David's, Johnstown

Sunday 30th October 2022

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Entrance Hymn

Hail, Queen of Heav'n, the ocean star

Guide of the wand'rer here below:

Thrown on life's sure, we claim thy care:

Save us from peril and from woe.

Mother of Christ, star of the sea,

Pray for the wand'rer pray for me.

O gentle, chaste, and spotless maid We sinners make our prayers through thee:

Remind thy Son that he has paid

The price of our iniquity.

Virgin most pure, star of the sea,

Pray for the sinner, pray for me

Recessional Hymn

Queen of the May

Bring flowers of the rarest, bring blossoms the fairest, from garden and woodland and hillside and dale.

Our full hearts are swelling, our glad voices telling the praise of the loveliest flower of the vale.

O Mary we crown thee with blossom today

Queen of the Angels and Queen of the May.

O Mary, we crown thee with blossoms today

Queen of the Angels and Queen of the May.

Their lady they name thee,

Their mistress proclaim thee,

Ah, great that thy children on earth be as true as long as the bowers are radiant with flowers, as long as the azure shall keep its bright hue

Mass Intentions

Saturday 29th October

6.30pm Margaret Hilliard

(Months Mind)

Michael & Rose Butler

Georgina Burke

Kathleen O'Neill

Sunday 30th October

8.30pm

11.30am John Byrne

Nicky Finn

(1st Anniversary)

Jim Wolohan

Isabella Comyn (née

Conroy)

7pm Bernie English

Leo Byrne

Monday 31st October

10am Krystyna Kosicka

Tuesday 1st November

10am Denis Bulman

Wed 2nd November

10am William Prestage

Tom & Rosaleen Feely

With Sympathy
Sympathies are extended to the family and friends of
Michael (Mick) Warren
Isabella Comyn (née Conroy)
&
Fr Anthony Cecil Johnston
who died recently may they rest in peace.



Liturgical Calendar



Monday 31st Oct Bl Dominic Collins

Tuesday 1st Nov All Saints

Wed 2nd Nov All Souls

Thursday 3rd Nov St Malachy

Friday 4th Nov St Charles Barromeo

Saturday 5th Nov St Martin De Porres



The Bishops of Ireland will undertake a pilgrimage to Knock Shrine on Sunday 14th November for the National Memorial Mass in memory of all who died on the island during the Covid-19 pandemic.



Congratulations to

Amirah Erin Brennan

Kate Mary McBride

&

Jack Michael O'Neill

who were baptised

In St Mary & Peter's Arklow

Mass in Polish Language

Sunday 6th November 10am

The Mass in the Polish language will take place on Sunday 06/11/22 at 10am. All welcome.



Msza w jezyku polskim odbędzie sie 06/11/22 o godzinie 10.00. Serdecznie zapraszamy. Po mszy zapraszamy wszystkich na kawę, herbatę i ciastko.

The Church gate collection of the Arklow Branch of St Vincent De Paul is this weekend.



Please support.

Rosary will be prayed in St Gabriels Cemetery each Sunday at 3pm in November.

SHARE APPEAL SUNDAY

Share Appeal Sunday takes place on **November 12/13**, highlighting the important work funded by the weekly collection. The Share collection supports many services in the Archdiocese, including the support and resourcing provided by the Diocesan Offices to parishes and schools. A newsletter will be available on the weekend of November 12/13 detailing the work funded by Share along with a breakdown of figures. Archbishop Farrell is also writing to congregations to mark Share Appeal Sunday. Thank you for your continued support for Share.

Mass of Remembrance for all who died during the year will take place on Thursday 17th November at 7pm.

