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



#### Mass Intentions

Saturday 10.00 a.m. 5<sup>th</sup> December

6.30 p.m. Nancy Doherty Peter Cassell Brendan Mates Stephen Lane

Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> December

8:30 a.m. 10:00AM (Johnstown)

Tom Toole (anniversary) Tony Collins (Month's Mind) 11.30 a.m. Christine O'Neill (Months Mind) Janie Byrne Micheál, Bernadette & Arthur Halpin

7.00 p.m.

Monday to Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> December

10.00 a.m. daily 6:30 p.m. No Intentions

The Blessing of the outdoor crib and the switching on of the Christmas lights will take place immediately after mass at 6:30p.m. on Monday night.

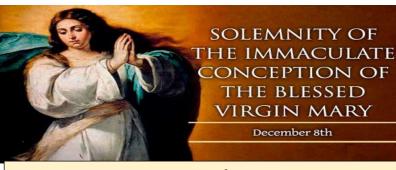
Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> December. (Holy Day) 10:00a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

**Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> December** 10:00am 11:30a.m. First Holy Communion(St. Johns)

With Sympathy Sympathies and prayers are extended to the family and friends of Liam Fanning Who died recently. May they rest in peace.

#### Parish Office Opening Hours Monday to Thursday:

10am to 12pm and 3pm to 5pm **Friday** 10am to 12pm and 3pm to 4.30 pm Tel: 0402-31716 | Email: office@arklowparish.ie | Web: www.arklowparsh.ie



Mass Times Feast of the Immaculate Conception Vigil – Monday 7<sup>th</sup> December at 6.30 p.m. Mass Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> December 10.00 a.m. and 7.00 p.m.



Please support the SVP Door to Door Collection, this weekend; also their National Church Gate Collection on Saturday & Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> December 2020.

### **Advance Notice for Christmas.**

People who have been Cocooning but who wish to attend mass for Christmas, please contact either the parish office 0402 31716, or either of the priests. We may be able to provide a safe mass especially reserved for you on Christmas eve during the day time.

Please note: The schedule for Christmas masses is being

prepared, bearing in mind the limited number of spaces

available. We may need to have a booking system in place to

cater for the large numbers expected.

More on this next week.

## Thought at the End of the Day

Join us each Monday and Friday via the webcam at 8 p.m. for a thought at the end of the day.

## Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> December 2020

# *Advent* I wait. I watch. I hope.

#### Advent/ Christmas Resources

The Dublin Diocesan Liturgical Resource Centre has created resources for all to use during this Advent and Christmas. It is packed with ideas for the celebration of Advent 2020 from the recent series of online pastoral conversations, resources from 2004 onwards and a fresh reflection on the O Antiphons. You will also find our latest resources for Christmas 2020 with suggestions for a variety of circumstances covering Family Masses, extending the celebrations for the 12 Days of Christmas, the Crib and much more. Check out www.litmus.dublindiocese.ie

#### I wait. I watch. I hope.

If you are looking for something different this advent, why not join a WhatsApp group to receive an Advent reflection every day. For further details and if you like to join **contact Christina Malone 085 716 2152** 

#### Living Advent Calendar 2020

We are asking parishes to tell the Christmas story in 25 days. This will be shared on Facebook every morning at 8am from the 1st of December @CCPCDublin. If you like to be involved contact **Christina Malone 085 716 2152 or email christina.malone@dublindiocese.ie** 

#### Walking Advent with the Scriptures - Journeying Together through Advent

Each week download and share the Daily Scripture Calendar with the scripture reference and a short thought, focus for each day. It will include a short video input for each day from representatives of the different Christian Denominations from around Ireland. You can download all the resources for week 1 from - Walking Advent with the Scriptures - Wk1 Resources

#### Advent News Too Good to Keep

'Advent News Too Good to Keep' Written by Gerard Gallagher (Office for Evangelisation and Ecumenism) is a thoughtprovoking selection of scripture readings and reflections designed to accompany the reader through the season of Advent. This accessible and practical guide, which also includes inspirational quotations and questions to prompt the reader to effect change in their day-to-day lives, is the perfect companion for this essential period in the Church calendar. Ideal for a personal retreat this Advent. **To purchase a copy - https://www.veritasbooksonline.com/advent-news-too-good-to***keep-9781847309792-46126/* 

#### Walk of Light 2020

For our annual Walk of Light this year, we have had to think outside the box and are delighted to offer this video made in accordance with guidelines during the current lockdown in the country. It is our hope that as you join us on our journey of light in darkness, you will find hope and encouragement, knowing that we live in the presence of Jesus, Light of the World. May you know Emmanuel, God with us, this Advent and throughout the year.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=U-v4C3WaSCY&feature=youtu.be

### **Support Services**

#### Irish Hospice Foundation - Living with Loss

As part of our bereavement support function at Irish Hospice Foundation we are arranging our annual event for the public entitled 'Living with Loss'. This year the event will be online on 9th December at 7pm. This event is free to attend, but you would need to book a place using the following link https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/living-with-loss-tickets-130420626605

