

#### Saturday 14th December 6.30pm Margaret (Peggy) McDonald (Month's Mind) (Anniv)

Colm Kelly Fred Ryan Paddy McManus, John McManus Baby Carter McManus Billy Kelly

**15th December** Sunday 8.30 Michael & Annie McDonald Edward Nicholson

#### 11.30am

Liam Doyle (Months's Mind) Paddy Murray (13th Anniv) (Anniv) Margaret Doyle Thomas, Ita & Tiernan McBride Elizabeth Hudson Gerald Hudson Mary Hudson Myler John Myler

Fr Mayhue

**Christine Power** 

Paddy Murray

#### Monday 16th December

10am Molloy Family **20th December Friday** 10am Kavanagh Family Intention

Caryl Breslin (7th Anniv)

#### **Castletown 14th December** 8pm Dorothy Reeves (2nd Anniv)





Sts Michael & Peter Junior School **Carol Service** Wednesday 18th Dec 11.30am

St John's Senior School **Carol Service** Wednesday 18th Dec 1.30pm

St Mary's College **Carol Service** hursday 19th Dec 2pm

## The Pope's Intentions

#### December 2024

Let us pray that this Jubilee Year strengthen our faith, helping us to recognize the Risen Christ in our daily lives, and that it may transform us into pilgrims of Christian hope.



#### Mass Schedule for Christmas Christmas Eve

Mass 10am (followed by Individual Confession) Children's Mass 5pm

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Christmas Vigil Mass 7pm Christmas Night

Concelebrated Mass 9pm

#### Christmas Day

Arklow Masses 8.30am & 11.30am Polish Mass 10am Johnstown St David's 10am Castletown St Patrick's 11am

#### Liturgical Calendar December

Wed 18th St Flannan Friday 20th St Fachanan Saturday 21st St Peter Canisius

Thanks a Bunch Thanks to all the kind people who have given a kind donation of flowers or

money for flowers. A big thanks to all.

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We remember all our parishioners who are sick or in hospital at this time. We will keep them in our thoughts and prayers.

Parish of Sts. Mary & Peter, Arklow with St David's Johnstown 15th December 2024 Third Sunday of Advent Gaudete Sunday

### **Gaudete Sundav**

The third Sunday of Advent is also called Gaudete Sunday. Gaudete is a Latin word that means "rejoice." We mark this Sunday by the Priest wearing a pink Vestment and lighting a pink candle instead of a purple one on the Advent wreath. It is a reminder that the Advent season is a season of joy because our salvation is already at hand.

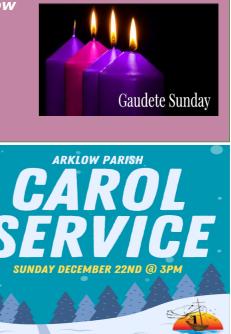
The Third Candle symbolizes joy and is called the "Shepherd's Candle" To the Shepherd's great joy, the angels announced that Jesus came from humble, unimportant people like them, too. In liturgy, the colour rose signifies joy.

## With Sympathy

Sympathies are extended to the family and friends of Maureen (Mary Jane) Curran (née Lacey) May she rest in peace.

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#### **Gathering Hymn**

O Come, O Come Emmanuel

To free your captive Israel,

That mourns in lonely exile here,

Until the Son of God appears.

Rejoice, Rejoice O Israel,

To you shall come Emmanuel

O come great daystar, radiance bright,

And heal us with your glorious light,

Disperse the gloomy clouds of night.

And death's dark shadows put to fight.

Rejoice, Rejoice, O Israael,

To you shall come Emmanuel.

#### **Recessional Hymn**

When creation was begun, God had chosen you to be, Mother of his blessed son, Holy Mary full of grace.

Ave, Ave, Ave Maria. When Creation was restored You were there beside the Lord, Whom you cherished and adored Holy Mary full of grace.

Ave, Ave, Ave Maria. Lead us to your child above He will teach us how to love How to pity and forgive Holy Mary full of grace. Ave, Ave, Ave Maria.