

# Holy Family Parish, Askea

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## Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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**ASKEA PARISH**

**COLLECTIONS**

Development

Fund €1,571

Offertory

€1,607

Askea Parish

Community

Centre Phone

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Parish Office

087 1269709

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Carlow Day Care

Centre

91-35977

Childcare Centre

9135206

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Deadline for items

for Newsletter if

5pm on Wednesday

by phone or fax to

9142565 or email

to askeabennekerry

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### The moral of the story.....

What's the moral of the story? There is a certain pleasure in hearing a story whose meaning is easy to identify. Many of us grew up with Aesop's Fables such as *The Boy Who Cried Wolf*, a cautionary tale about telling the truth, or *The Hare and the Tortoise* which teaches that 'slow and steady wins the race'.

The message is clear, isn't it?

The parables of Jesus seldom fall into the category of a story with a simple moral. They are more ambiguous than we first imagine. While it may be tempting to neatly package the parable of the sower into a story with a straightforward message - it is not too difficult, after all, to unravel what is meant by the different types of soil - Jesus' mysterious comments remind us there is a bit more going on beneath the surface of this story.

'The reason I talk to them in parables is that they look without seeing and listen without hearing or understanding,' says Jesus. And even more ambiguously: 'For anyone who has will be given more.... but from anyone who has not, even what he has will be taken away.'

Jesus is concerned with how his audience perceives what he has to say. his parables are not simple allegories, but stories with many layers of meaning. And a warning from Jesus - if our hearts are open, we will gain so much more understanding. But a closed heart will diminish our perception even further.

Have we shut our eyes? Are our ears dull of hearing? Are we absolutely sure we understand?

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Carlow Cemetery Mass takes places in St Mary's Cemetery on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> July at 7.30pm. A collection will be taken up at the gate towards the expenses of the Mass.

# Keeping in Touch

ST MARY'S PARISH, BENNEKERRY

## Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2011

### Memory of My Father

Every old man I see  
Reminds me of my father  
When he had fallen in love with death  
One time when sheaves were gathered.

That man I saw in Gardiner Street  
Stumble on the kerb was one,  
He stared at me half-eyed,  
I might have been his son.

And I remember the musician  
Faltering over his fiddle  
In Bayswater, London.  
He too set me the riddle.

Every old man I see  
In October-coloured weather  
Seems to say to me  
"I was once your father."

Patrick Kavanagh

# St Mary's Parish, Bennekerry

Fr Tom Little PP - Phone 059 9131559 /9134992 Newsletter Items - 059 9143881. Parish Office - 059 9134995 Emergency Number for the Priest on Duty 087 2588118. Deadline for News items: - 9pm Wednesdays

	Saturday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	Sunday 17 <sup>th</sup> July
Eucharistic Ministers	P Bolger & B Deegan	M Kelly & N Burke
Readers	E Whitney & C Breheny	P Ryan & M Kelly
Collectors	C Hade & F Bolger	M Jordan & S Woods Snr

## Anniversaries

### **Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> July at 7.30pm**

Eilish McGill, 18 Springfield Drive, Carlow

Frances Brady, Duckett's Grove

Eileen Shannon, Duckett's Grove

May Teehan, Coppenagh, Tullow

Ann Brennan, Thomas Traynor Road, Tullow

Michael and Ellen Bergin, Duckett's Grove

Betty Doyle, Russelstown

### **Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> July at 11am**

Baby Aoife Farrell, Johnstown

Bridget Brennan, Rutland

John Somers, Palatine

Dennis Brennan, Rutland

Betty Doyle, Russelstown

<b>Bennekerry Offertory €305    Development €283</b>
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## **Palatine G.F.C.** Lotto Results: - 4/7/'11

Lotto numbers: -09, 23, 25, & 27. No Jackpot Winner

1 MATCH 3 WINNER won (€200):-€200

Winner

Seller

Al-Gah

James Reid

Promoters Prize: Liam Tracey. Next Draw on Monday 14th July 2011 in

Palatine Clubhouse at 10:00pm — tickets €2 each. Jackpot:-€20,000

## Low Cost Counselling

in Askea Parish Community Centre.  
Contact 087 6272628 or 086 7356855.

## Support Group

For Adult Children of Alcoholics and Dysfunctional Families in Cathedral Parish Centre on Thursdays at 8pm. Details from Alan O'Dwyer MIACP 059 9134865 / 087 2455994.

## 'You Are Not Alone'

### Family Support Group

For families living with drug abuse. Meetings in Askea Parish Centre Wed from 6pm until 8pm. Call Margaret on 085 7872730.

## Talk It Over Bereavement

Support 086-3364961.

## Moving On Overcoming

Depression (MOOD) - A group for relatives of those experiencing depression takes place on the first Wed of every month at 8pm in Cathedral Parish Centre, College Street, Carlow.

## Alcoholic's Anonymous meets

every Wednesday at 8.30pm and Saturday at 11am in Askea Parish Centre.

## One 2 One Counselling

Psychotherapy Accredited C.B.T. Therapists. Private and Confidential therapy for Individual, Couples, Child and Adolescent Counselling. Ph: 059 91 71909 or 085 160 0999.

## Al-Anon Family Groups

**Carlow:** Mondays - St. Catherine's Social Services 8pm. and Thurs at Askea Parish Centre at 8pm. New meeting in Graiguecullen, Parish Centre on Sat at 10.30am. Ph: 01 8732699 email: [www.al-anonuk.org.uk](http://www.al-anonuk.org.uk)

## BODYWHYS - 2 SUPPORT

GROUPS 1st. for people with eating disorders. 2nd. for family and friends of same at 7.30 pm on Wed 1<sup>st</sup> of each month in the Cathedral Parish Centre, College St.

Aware Support Group meets in the Cathedral Parish Centre every Tuesday at 8pm. Contact Mick on 087 9498100 or email [mick@awaresoutheast.com](mailto:mick@awaresoutheast.com) The Helpline 1-890 303 303

## Nar-Anon

The Nar-Anon Family Groups are a worldwide fellowship for those affected by someone else's addiction. Meetings every Mon at 7pm in Saol Nua Building, Aislinn Centre, Ballyraggett Co Kilkenny. Phone 085 2191031.

## Carlow Women's Aid

7 Old Dublin Road Carlow.  
Freephone 1800 444944.

## Carlow Dial to Stop Drug

Dealing Dial 1800 220 220 anonymous and safe. *You dial, we act.*

## Fr Yousef Anamat

We welcome to our parish Fr Yousaf visiting us from Pakistan. Yousaf stayed with us during the summer of 2008. He will be with us for a month. We hope he enjoys his visit.

## Kildare & Leighlin Weekly Lotto Results

For Wed 29<sup>th</sup> June 2011. Numbers drawn were 5, 11, 25 and 26.

20 Match 3's won €50 each. No Jackpot Winner.

There were 7 Match 3s from Askea-Bennekerry Parish this week.

**One of the Match 3 winners last week was omitted from the list. Apologies to all.**

<b>Winner</b>	<b>Promoter</b>
Mary Walsh	Mary Walsh
Neillie O'Brien	Mary Shannon
Rosemary Kelly	Seamus Rossiter
David & Hannah Travers	Seamus Rossiter
Mary Keating APCC	Mary Keating Askea Parish Centre
Sheila Rogers	Mary Condron
Rosie	Mai Keating

Tickets €2 each - available from Askea Parish Centre.

Please note the draw takes place on Wed at 4.30pm in Portlaoise.

Tickets must be returned by 5pm each Tuesday to Askea Parish Community Centre.

## Kildare & Leighlin Weekly Lotto Results

For Wed 6<sup>th</sup> July 2011. Numbers drawn were 14, 25, 30 and 32.

4 Match 3's won €250 each. No Jackpot Winner.

There was 1 Match 3s from Askea-Bennekerry Parish this week.

<b>Winner</b>	<b>Promoter</b>
Margaret Eyre Dunne	Margaret Eyre Dunne

Tickets €2 each - available from Askea Parish Centre.

Please note the draw takes place on Wed at 4.30pm in Portlaoise.

Tickets must be returned by 5pm each Tuesday to Askea Parish Community Centre.

## Calendar

Mon 11<sup>th</sup> St Benedict - c 480 - 547, after living as a hermit at Subiaco, founded the monastery of Monte Cassino. His Rule, observed by Benedictines and Cistercians, is distinguished by its wisdom and balance and those who lived by it did much to shape the Europe of today. Named patron of Europe in 1964.

Wed 13<sup>th</sup> St Henry - 973 - 1024, Duke of Bavaria and later Emperor, a just ruler, humble man of prayer, and reformer of the Church.

Thurs 14<sup>th</sup> St Camillus de Lellis - 1550-1614, rough-tempered and a gambler in his early life as a soldier was converted at the age of twenty-five. Guided by St Philip Neri he became a priest and worked for the sick with two companions. His Servants of the Sick prospered and founded hospitals especially where others would not go.

Fri 15<sup>th</sup> St Bonaventure - 1221-1274, born in Tuscany, Minister General of the Franciscans, Cardinal Archbishop of Albano, theologian of the Council of Lyons.

## Askea / Bennekerry Parish Pilgrimage to Lourdes

Sat 17<sup>th</sup> Sept to Thurs 22<sup>nd</sup> Sept - 5 nights

Spiritual Leader - Fr Liam Morgan

€749 per person sharing. Single room supplement €150. Contact Tully's Travel 059 9136100.

Margaret "Peg" Dempsey The family of the late Margaret "Peg" Dempsey wish to express their gratitude to all who offered their support and condolence during the recent funeral services for the deceased and to thank the carers of S H Ward, Sacred heart Hospital and St Fiacc's House for their care of Peg. Month's Mind Mass on 30<sup>th</sup> July 2011 at 6.30pm in St Clare's Church, Graiguecullen.

### All Ireland Vintage Rally

in Ardattin, Co Carlow on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2011. Vintage displays of all sorts welcome, this themed engine / tractor is 'International'. Only exhibits over 30 years old and over will be accepted. Also Monster Auto Jumble; entertainment and fun for all; Dog Show. Admission Adults €5 - Children free. Why not make a weekend of it? Join us in the Ardattin Inn on Saturday night 9<sup>th</sup> July for music and craic. Proceeds in aid of Tullow Day Care Centre.

### Just Four Weeks 'Best of Health' Weight Management

Class takes place in Askea Parish Community Centre every Friday from - 10.30am - 11.30am and from 6.30pm to 7.30pm. Contact 087 6757493.

### Weight Watchers Morning

meeting in Askea Parish Community Centre with Catherine Coady every Tuesday at 9am. Contact Catherine 087 9407633.

Mama Mia New Grand Canal Theatre Night Show on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> October 2011. Coach leaving at 5pm. Tickets for show cost €44 per person. Cost of coach €21 but will reduce if group is 40 or more. Contact Ann on 087 9018753 or 059 9134507.

### Halloween Break 2011

The Clanree Hotel, Letterkenny, Co Donegal Sat 29<sup>th</sup> Oct to Tues 1<sup>st</sup> Nov. Cost €199 per person sharing. Single supplement €45 extra. €100 deposit by mid July. Balance by 26<sup>th</sup> Sept. Trip will include tour of Inisowen Peninsula, guided tour of Derry City, shopping, return to Derry City for Halloween Street party and fireworks. Contact Ann 087 9018753 or 059 9134507.

### Car & Van Servicing

Contact Tom on 087 2570062.

### Emmaus Prayer Group

Meeting every Wed at 7.30pm in Cathedral Parish Centre, College Street.

### Open Air Mass in Roncalli

Place on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> July at 7pm. All welcome.

### Open Afternoon at Carlow

Branch Irish Wheelchair Centre, Kilkenny Rd on Sun July 10<sup>th</sup> 2011 from 3pm-7pm. Live Music by Studio Five, Craft Display, Food, Jumble Sale, Dance Display, Face Painting, etc. Adm free, all welcome.

### Courses at New Oak

Community Centre Carlow, (Close to Fair Green Shopping Centre)

These will be credited FETAC level 5/6 in all Child Care modules, also all modules in Care of the Elderly.

Next Child Care module is Child Development starting Saturday July 30<sup>th</sup> at 10am (4 consecutive Saturdays) + 2 weeks for assignment.

Also Care Support/ Health and Safety/ Care of the Older Person/Care of person with mental illness, Palliative Care and all other relevant modules to Care of the Elderly. This course will also run over four week period. (Open to all town and county areas). For information please contact 086 4002571/ email sherryb145@yahoo.ie.

Thanks to the volunteer collectors and everyone who contributed to the recent Self Help Africa Church gate collection. A total of €580. was raised for this very worthy cause.

Dog Obedience Classes Every Thursday from 8-9pm in St Fiacc's Hall, Graiguecullen. Also Dog Agility Classes every Saturday 11am-12Noon in Garryhill. Phone 059 9137724 or 086 3207287.

### Fiddle Mania Traditional Fiddle

Summer Camp 11<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup> July. Bolton School of Music, Springhill, Killeshin - for age 6 to 18 years. Contact Patricia at 085 1658243.

Postnatal Yoga Tone up and strengthen your body after pregnancy, and relax with other new mums, while bonding with your baby. Learn breathing techniques to help relieve postnatal anxiety and depression. No yoga experience required. Suitable from 8 weeks +. Mon 11.30am-12.30pm Askea. €40 for 4 weeks. Yoga mat and tea after class incl. Contact Elaine 085 741 28 65

Summer Camp The Carlow Rowing Club summer camp takes place from 18<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> July. The camp will be held from 10am to 1pm on weekdays for 12 - 16 year olds. Cost is €40. Participants must be able to swim. Contact Niall on 087 9543507.

Summer Art Camp 11<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> July for ages 7 to 12 years at The Vault, Carlow Youth Services, Burren Street. Cost €60. Lots of fun and learning projects including sketching, painting, modelling. Contact Justine 083 0092080. Children should bring a packed lunch.

### Carlow Regional Youth

#### Services Teenage Activity

Packages for 12 - 14 years old on

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup>

from 11am - 3.30pm. Cost €20.

Venue is at Éire Óg Clubhouse.

for 15 - 17 years old on Thurs 14<sup>th</sup>

July and Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July from

11am - 3.30pm. Cost €20.

Activities include arts and crafts,

sports and games and a day trip.

Contact Ciara at 086 8054601 or

Paul at 085 7897279.

### Rose of Tralee DVD A DVD of

the 1<sup>st</sup> Rose selection held in

Palatine Clubhouse on 18<sup>th</sup> March

is available from Ann Dunne 087

9018753 or Monica Mullins 087

9151650 or any Committee

Member. Cost €5.

### Halloween Break Three night

Halloween weekend in the Station

Road Hotel in Letterkenny, Co

Donegal on Dinner, Bed and

Breakfast basis. From Sat 29<sup>th</sup>

Oct to Tues 1<sup>st</sup> Nov. Tour of

Inishowen Peninsula and Derry

City including visit to Halloween

street parties, fancy dress and

fireworks. Cost €199 per person

sharing. Single supplement €45

extra. Deposit of €100 due by

15<sup>th</sup> July. Balance to be paid by

26<sup>th</sup> September. If interested

get in touch with Ann or 087

9018753 or 059 9134507.

### Holiday Home to rent

3 bedroom house situated

overlooking beach and harbour to

rent in Rosslare Strand - walking

distance to all amenities. Phone

087 7623022. Private parking.

### Patrician Meeting Discussion

will take place in Cathedral Parish

Centre on Thurs 14<sup>th</sup> July at

7.45pm. Title for discussion is

"The Holy Spirit". All are

welcome. Refreshments served.

### Summer Swimming Camps

Mon - Fri 6.00pm - 6.45pm

over 5 days - €35 per child.

CAMP 2 - 11<sup>th</sup> - 15<sup>th</sup> July

CAMP 3 - 18<sup>th</sup> - 22<sup>nd</sup> July

CAMP 4 - 25<sup>th</sup> July - 29<sup>th</sup> July

CAMP 5 - 8<sup>th</sup> Aug - 12<sup>th</sup> Aug

A deposit of €20 is required when

booking. Contact Grace at 087

7797596 or the Swimming Pool at

059 9140330.

### Carlow Central Library

Due to popular demand

enrolments for the Big Read

continue until Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July.

Call in to the Library or phone

059 9170094.

### The Pod at Carlow Central

Library remains open throughout

the summer. If you are aged 14 -

17 years and want to chill out

with your friends this is the place

for you