

Holy Family Parish, Askea

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The Most Holy Trinity

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Emergency Priest on Duty

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Collections last week:

Development €1,185

Offertory €1,666

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Mass Times:

Askea 9.30am Mon-Fri;

Sat 7pm; Sun 9am, 10.30am
& 12 Noon.

Bennekerry Sun 11.30am;

Tinryland Tues 9.30am &

Sunday 10am

Deadline for items for

Newsletter is 5pm on

Wednesday by phone to

9142565 or email to

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Website: www.askeaparish.ie

Prayers for Students Taking

Exams

LOVING GOD

BE WITH ME NOW,

AS I PREPARE FOR MY EXAMS.

THANK YOU FOR THE MANY

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CALM MY NERVES AND

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THE VERY BEST THAT I CAN.

HOLY SPIRIT, SIT WITH ME IN

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– AND ALWAYS.

IN JESUS' NAME

AMEN

Keeping in Touch

St Mary's Parish, Bennekerry

Sunday 11th June 2017

The Most Holy Trinity

Prayers for Students Taking Exams

Loving God,
be with me now, as I prepare for my exams.
Thank You
for the many talents and gifts
you have given me
and for the opportunity of education.
Calm my nerves and anxiety.
Help me to remember all that I have studied,
to express it clearly
and to answer the questions the very best that I can.
Holy Spirit, sit with me in my exam – and always,
in Jesus' name.
AMEN

St Mary's Parish, Bennekerry

Fr Tom Little PP - Phone 059 9131559. Fr Seán Hyland CC 0599131212.

Newsletter Items - 059 9143881. **Deadline for News items: - 9pm**

Wednesdays Emergency Number for the Priest on Duty 087 2588118.

Parish Office - 059 9142565 087 - 1269709.

Website: www.askeaparish.ie; email: office@askeaparish.ie

Anniversaries 11th June 2017

Gareth Fennelly, Palatine and his son Tommy Fennelly and his grandson Aaron Murphy.

Elizabeth Archbold, Brownshill Avenue

Collections last week: Development € 251 Offertory €260
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CALENDAR

Tuesday 13th:-**St Anthony**, died in Padua in 1231 at the age of 36. Born in Portugal he had joined the Franciscans and preached against heresy throughout France and Italy.

Wednesday 14th:- **St Davnet** seems to have lived and died at Tydavnet at Sliabh Beagh, Co. Monaghan. Tradition speaks of St Davnet as a virgin and she was also regarded as the founder of a church or monastery. A bachall (staff) said to have been hers has been preserved and in past times it was used as a test of truth.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Injustice Quote

It is from numberless diverse acts of courage and belief that human history is shaped. Each time a man stands up for an ideal, or acts to improve the lot of others, or strikes out against injustice, he sends forth a tiny ripple of hope, and crossing each other from a million different centers of energy and daring those ripples build a current which can sweep down the mightiest walls of oppression and injustice.

Robert F. Kennedy

Kildare & Leighlin Weekly Lotto Results

For Wed 7th June 2017. Numbers drawn were 6, 8, 23 & 28.

NO JACKPOT Winner. 17 Match 3s won €59 each.

Askea/Bennekerry had 1 Match3s. Next week's Jackpot €18,000.

Winner

Promoter

Kathleen O'Toole

Marie Byrne

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 Centre.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes

In 2017 Kildare & Leighlin Diocese will have its first Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes for five nights from 16th July which will be led by Bishop Denis Nulty. The cost of the trip is €719 per person sharing.

Booking forms are available from the Parish Centre.

Joe Walsh Tours Pilgrimages 01 2410810.

Vocation Views – - June 11, 2017.

“God so loved the world, He gave His only Son.” How can you give yourself to God the Father in a response to that love? Could God be calling you to live His love as a priest? If you think God may be offering you this grace, call Fr. Ruairi O'Domhnaill vocations@kandle.ie, www.kandlepriest.com

Solemn Novena of Our Lady of Perpetual Help:- .

St Clare's Church, Graiguecullen. Monday 12th June.

Our guest speaker this week is:- Maria Steen, Iona Institute

Cemetery Masses

St Joseph's Church, Tinryland – Friday 30th June at 7.30pm.

St Mary's Church, Bennekerry – Friday 7th July at 7.30pm.

St Mary's Cemetery, Carlow – Monday 10th July at 7.30pm.

SUMMER DUES for the Bishop and Priests of the

Parish will be taken up at all Masses this weekend.

Your support is greatly appreciated.

Day trip on Thursday 6th July to include Castle Arms in Durrow for tea/coffee scones then to the Swiss Cottage, The Vee Shopping in Clonmel and back to the Castle Arms Hotel for dinner and entertainment. Cost varies depending on numbers travelling. €69 or €56. Contact Ann Dunne to book. 087 9018753 or 059 9134507. Full payment due by Friday 9th June. Proceeds of raffle divided between Bennekerry & District ARA and Bennekerry ICA.

Askea Senior Citizens' September Holiday to Dungarvan.

Names and bookings starting now for September holiday.

Fringe events of Carlow Arts Festival

The Barrow Valley Group of Artists will be exhibiting their paintings in the Cathedral Parish Centre, College Street, Carlow from Thursday 8th June opening at 6 pm with an official launch at 7.30. Opening hours for Friday 9th and Saturday 10th from 11 – 6 and Sun 11th June from 11 – 5.

Sally Ashmore, Noreen Madden and Helen O'Meara will be exhibiting their paintings and drawings in the Cathedral Parish Centre, College Street, Carlow from Thursday 8th June to Sunday 11th June from 11 – 6 daily. Preview evening from 7.30 on Thursday 8th.

Carlow Active Retired next monthly meeting in Cathedral Parish Centre on June 14th at 2.30pm. New members always welcome.

Carlow Photographic Society annual exhibition continues until Tuesday 13th June. Opposite Carlow Library and adjacent to Paul White's Pharmacy.

Relay For Life is taking place in Ducketts Grove on 17th & 18th June. This year there will be a Super Kids Zone, music, entertainment and live demonstrations over the 24 hours as well as the Candle of Hope Ceremony. If you would like to purchase a Candle Bag please phone [085-7796359](tel:085-7796359). Please continue to support this fundraiser for The Irish Cancer Society.

Patrician Meeting on 15th June at 7.45pm in Cathedral Parish Centre. Topic "What is the mantfort to devotion of Our Lady". All welcome. Refreshments offered.

Assumption Parish Services CLG - Community Employment Scheme Vacancy. Maintenance Operative. If you are interested in this position please contact your local Intreo office to check your eligibility for this scheme. You will need to quote job number CES-2039049. Further information from Jo 0858726367.

Éire Óg News LOTTO WINNING NO's Mon June 5th...19 23 25 29 No Jackpot Winner... 1 x Match 3 received €150. NEXT WEEK'S Jackpot €2,150. Draw takes place every Mon Night in Teach Asca at 9pm.

Walk with Willibrord **Saturday June 24th 2017**

From St. Laserian's Cathedral, Old Leighlin to the Cathedral of the Assumption, Carlow town via the Barrow Way
Join Bishops Burrows and Nulty as they walk the Relic of St. Willibrord, Patron Saint of Luxembourg which has been specially presented to Co. Carlow by the people of Echternach, Luxembourg. In AD 690 Willibrord led a mission from Co. Carlow to the continent.
Start 9.45am: Holy Well and St. Laserian's Cathedral, Old Leighlin
Departs 12.30pm: Leighlinbridge
Departs 2.15pm: Milford car park
Departs 3.45pm: Clogrennan Lock
Departs 5.20pm: St. Clare's Church, Graiguecullen
Departs 5.50pm: St Mary's Church
Arrives: 6.15pm to the Cathedral of the Assumption, Carlow town.
All welcome. For details: www.kandle.ie

Mens Health Week - June 12th - 16th 2017

Eist Cancer Support Centre will be holding a drop in service on Friday 16th June from 10.00 am to 1 pm with a brief talk from Roy Elmes. All are welcome for more information on services and supports available contact Eist Centre on 059 9139684.

WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES 2018

Parish Enthronement of Icon of Holy Family

This weekend we will enthrone the icon of the Holy Family and place the WMOF candle into the Church space.

A date for your diary!!! Diocesan Parish Picnic, Punchestown – Sunday 27th August. All welcome.

Prayer to the Holy Family

Jesus, Mary and Joseph, in you we contemplate the splendour of true love; to you we turn with trust. Holy Family of Nazareth, grant that our families too may be places of communion and prayer, authentic schools of the Gospel and small domestic churches. Holy Family of Nazareth, may families never again experience violence, rejection or division; may all who have been hurt or scandalized find ready comfort and healing. Holy Family of Nazareth, make us once more mindful of the sacredness and inviolability of the family, and its beauty in God's plan.

Jesus, Mary and Joseph, graciously hear our prayer. Amen.

Volunteer Now for World Meeting of Families 2018

At least 2,000 volunteers are needed to organise and see through this amazing event in August, 2018. Volunteers can give of their time, abilities and service to organise and deliver this event in various ways: being part of stewarding, welcoming and information teams; photographers, bloggers, media support; logistics; programming support, and many other ways. There are plenty of reasons to volunteer, including the invaluable experience gained, the social interaction, making new friends or simply helping to create this amazing and once in a lifetime event. So, don't delay, sign up today and be a part of this unique opportunity!

Go to www.worldmeeting2018.ie/volunteer for more details and for the online application form. Volunteer application forms are also available in the Church and Parish Centre.

Alzheimer Society of Ireland mobile information bus will be parked outside of Bethany House Day Care Barrack Street Carlow on Tuesday 27th & Wednesday the 28th June. Come along for a chat and information.

FREE events in Carlow Library.

There is Storytime for the Under 6's on Saturdays at 11 am.
Smart Phone training at Carlow Library on Wednesday, 7th June at 10 a.m. and will run every second Wednesday.

There is a "Form" Craft Exhibition running during Arts Week from 7th to 13th June 2017 comprised of pottery, jewellery, quilting, costume jewellery, stone sculpture, fine art textiles and hand thrown ceramics.

There is a Poetry evening on Thursday 15th June at Carlow Library with the McHenry County College Theatre Group and the Carlow Writer's Cooperative.

There is an Art Exhibition called "Art through the eyes of Anxiety" by Damien Tallon from 19th to 24th June at Carlow Library.

There is a Doire Press Book Launch titled "This Cruel Station" a short story collection by Martin Malone on Wednesday, 21st June at Carlow Library. Martin is the author of seven novels, a memoir, two short story collections and several radio plays. He has also written for tv and stage.

Computer Classes for beginners (Seniors) starting soon which will be one morning a week for 8 to 10 weeks.

Contact 059 9129701 if you are interested as places are limited.

Our new computer system is now up and running. Thanks to everyone for their patience. Remember, all our libraries are stocked with books,

DVD's & music CDs & public computers, online along with ebooks & free Audiobooks we also have online courses, language learning, eMagazines & eComics too.

Carlow Active Retired Association – Monthly Meeting on Wednesday 14th June from 2.30pm to 4.30pm in Cathedral Paris Centre. New members always welcome. Contact Ellen Sheils 087 6109723.

Carlow Summer Art Camps – Weekly Camps in July and early August. Brownshill Art Studio, The Paddocks, Brownshill Road, Carlow. 10am to 3pm early drop off 9am. Fee: €85 early drop-off €10 per week Discounts for siblings

One Day Silk Painting Workshop for Adults at Brownshill Art Studio. Covering aspects of the Gutta Resist Technique of Silk Painting and related techniques. All Day Courses run from 10am to 4pm. Course Fee: €85- Lunch and materials are included. Next Course will be held on Saturday July 1st 2017 at Brownshill Art Studio, Brownshill Road, Carlow. Max 5 places, booking is essential. Contact Jean at 086 8686783 or Register Online @ www.muralmayhem.com

Carlow Regional Youth Services is taking registration for Carlow Summer Camp 10th -14th July in their office on Montgomery Street. The venues include Gaelscoil, Askea Boys, St.Fiac's NS all aged from 5-9years and CBS for ages 10-12years. We are still taking Camp Volunteers leader applications. Volunteers need to be aged 16+ and be available for training from the 4th - 6th July. For more information on all our summer camps please contact 059 91 30476, call in or email reception1@carlowys.ie

Fundraiser in aid of Carlow Kilkenny Home Care Team – Two Day Rummage Sale – of interest to all ages. Thursday 15th June and Friday 16th June from 10am to 5pm. Designer clothes – new and nearly new: Clothes / Handbags / Jewellery / Shoes, Bric – a –brac, etc at Unit beside Paul White's Pharmacy, Tullow Street, Carlow. Donations can be left into premises on Wednesday 14th June from 2pm to 5pm. Info from Kathleen Hennessy 085 7210235.

Pulsewave Ireland Cardio Heart screening in Carlow &

Borris next week. The Bpro certified to measure CASP to 99.17% in comparison to an angiogram and as seen on TV. As Heart Disease is still the biggest killer in Ireland we try to make it affordable for everyone to be screened. Normal cost of screening is €50 per person , Parish offer €30 per person for that we check your Blood Pressure, Heart Rythm, Casp of heart, arterial flexibility and Blood flow. We can access the risk of heart attack or stroke with a simple non invasive test. Venues as follows Monday 19th June the Talbot Hotel Carlow & Monday 26th June The Step House Hotel Borris appointments available from 11am to 8pm daily Call 087-7151623 to make an appointment spaces are limited The Screening is medically approved and each person will receive a detailed printout which they may discuss with their own GP.

Aspiro, one of Ireland leading choirs end of year concert “Our Own Voice” Sunday 18th June St Mary’s Church 4pm featuring all Aspiro ensembles. Tickets €10 available on the door, children free. Come experienced the renowned sounds of Aspiro’s performing ensembles and support Aspiro’s ongoing programmes.

Killeshin Fun Day on Father’s Day. Sunday June 18TH from 2 till 6pm in the GAA Grounds. Supported by SCATS BOUNCY CASTLES. **Great Fun Day for All The Family.**

Cake Sale and Coffee Morning in aid of O’Hanrahan’s GFC after all Masses on Sunday 11th June in Askea Parish Centre. The Club have qualified for Feile which will be held this year in Cavan. Please support.

Secular Franciscan Order Pilgrimage to Knock on Sunday 25th June. Bus from Car Park, Barrack Street at 8am. Tickets €20 available from The Friary Office, Dublin Street and Lamberts Newsagents, Dublin Street. All welcome.

Mature Lady available for housework and child minding for months of July and August. Contact 087 0907105.

MID-TERM BREAK

I sat all morning in the college sick bay
Counting bells knelling classes to a close.
At two o'clock our neighbours drove me home.

In the porch I met my father crying--
He had always taken funerals in his stride--
And Big Jim Evans saying it was a hard blow.

The baby cooed and laughed and rocked the pram
When I came in, and I was embarrassed
By old men standing up to shake my hand

And tell me they were "sorry for my trouble,"
Whispers informed strangers I was the eldest,
Away at school, as my mother held my hand

In hers and coughed out angry tearless sighs.
At ten o'clock the ambulance arrived
With the corpse, stanced and bandaged by the nurses.

Next morning I went up into the room. Snowdrops
And candles soothed the bedside; I saw him
For the first time in six weeks. Paler now,

Wearing a poppy bruise on his left temple,
He lay in the four foot box as in his cot.
No gaudy scars, the bumper knocked him clear.

A four foot box, a foot for every year.

Seamus Heaney

Climb 'Til Your Dream Comes True

Often your tasks will be many,
And more than you think you can do.
Often the road will be rugged
And the hills insurmountable, too.

But always remember, the hills ahead
Are never as steep as they seem,
And with Faith in your heart start upward
And climb 'Til you reach your dream.

For nothing in life that is worthy
Is never too hard to achieve
If you have the courage to try it
And you have the Faith to believe.

For Faith is a force that is greater
Than knowledge or power or skill
And many defeats turn to triumph
If you trust in God's wisdom and will.

For Faith is a mover of mountains.
There's nothing that God cannot do,
So start out today with Faith in your heart
And 'Climb 'Til Your Dream Comes True' !

Helen Steiner Rice