

Holy Family Parish, Askea

15th March 2020 Vol 29 No 18

Third Sunday of Lent

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Fr Tommy Dillon - 91-64882

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Emergency Priest on Duty

087 2588118

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Askea Parish Community

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Last week's Collections:

Development: €

Offertory: €

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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

office@askeaparish.ie

Website: www.askeaparish.ie

HOPE

'Hope' is the thing with feathers—
That perches in the soul—
And sings the tune without the words—
And never stops—at all—

And sweetest—in the Gale—is heard—
And sore must be the storm—
That could abash the little Bird
That kept so many warm—

I've heard it in the chilliest land—
And on the strangest Sea—
Yet, never, in Extremity,
It asked a crumb—of Me.

Emily Dickinson

St Patrick's Day Masses

Vigil Mass Monday 7pm

**Tuesday 9am, 10.30am and 12 Noon. No evening Mass on
St Patrick's Day.**

Keeping in Touch

St Mary's Parish, Bennekerry

Sunday 15th March 2020

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

Emergency Number for the Priest on Duty 087 2588118.

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Anniversaries 15th March 2020

Henry and Rita Carter, Bennekerry

Month's Mind 15th March 2020

John Kelly, Bennekerry

Palatine GAA Club Lotto Results 9th March 2020. Numbers Drawn 02, 07, 14 & 20. No Jackpot winner.

4 Lucky Dips €50 each.

Winner

Bridget O' Reilly

Rabbit Whelan

Eddie Lacey

Polly

Seller's Prize €70 - Fergal Browne

Next Draw Monday 16th March 2020. Jackpot €12,800.

Promoter

Kathleen Top Oil

Jimmy O' Shea

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**Mass at 9.30am in Bennekerry every
Thursday during Lent.**

Mass on St Patrick's Day at 11.30am

Kildare & Leighlin Weekly Lotto Results

For Wed 4th March 2020. Numbers drawn were 01, 02, 04 & 26.

No Jackpot winner. 20 Match 3s won €50 each. Askea / Bennekerry had ONE Match 3s.

Winner	Promoter
Graham Lysaght	Margaret Kelly

Next week's Jackpot €15,000. 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.

Whisperings of my Soul

Fr Seán's book *Whisperings of my Soul* is available to buy in Askea Parish Community Centre or in the Church after Mass – price €15.

Oberammergau 2020 Fr Liam Morgan of Naas parish is leading a group to attend the Passion Play in Oberammergau from Aug 7th to 14th, 2020. The total cost is €1750 per person sharing a twin room which includes return flights from Dublin to Munich, private transfers, walking tour of Salzburg, five night stay in Kitzbuhel – half board, two night stay in Oberammergau – half board and Category 1 tickets for the Passion Play on Aug 13th. There are a few places available, if interested please contact Tullys Travel, Carlow 059 9136100

Askea / Bennekerry / Tinryland Pilgrimage to Lourdes

Spiritual Director Fr Tommy Dillon – Depart Dublin Tuesday 23rd June 2020 and return on Sunday 28th June – 5 nights staying at the Hotel Solitude. Breakfast, lunch and evening meal. Return coach from Carlow to Dublin airport. Cost €765 per person sharing. Sing Room Supplement €200 subject to availability. Required to book: Valid passport and Non-Refundable deposit of €100 per person. Contact Tully's Travel, Tullow Street, Carlow. 059 91 36100 or www.tullys.ie.

St Willibrord Echternach Pilgrimage 31st May to 4th June 2020

Spiritual Directors Bishop Denis Nulty and Bishop Michael Burrows.

Participate in the UNESCO recognised 'Hopping Procession' in honour of St Willibrord (reliquary in Carlow Cathedral), trip includes 3 nights B&B in Luxembourg, 1 night B&B in Utrecht, city tour of Cologne to include Cologne Cathedral. Cost €745pps. The Hopping Procession is a great experience in the beautiful town of Echternach, all who travelled on the first pilgrimage in 2017 loved it. Our group will once again be led in the procession by the Presentation School Band from Carlow. Book with Tully's Travel Carlow 059 9136100.

52nd International Eucharistic Congress Join the official Irish Pilgrimage with Bishop Kevin Doran to the 52nd International Eucharistic Congress 2020 in Budapest, Hungary. Prices from €1050 pps for 9 nights. Departs Dublin Saturday 12th September, returns Monday 21st, more information is available from Joe Walsh Tours on 01-2410800, www.joewalshstours.ie or email info@joewalshstours.ie

Carlow Citizens Information Centre provides a free and confidential information service to the people of County Carlow. We are currently recruiting volunteers. If you are interested in helping people and have some time to give, please contact us for further details. Telephone Sarah Drea at 087 193 5276. The closing date for receipt of applications is Friday 20 March 2020.

Askea Community Childcare Centre are now taking enrollments for September 2020. We have full time, part time and ECCE sessions available. Contact 059 91 35206 or drop in and talk to us. Brownhill Road, Askea, Carlow.

Coláiste Ghaeilge na Bearú, a local Summer Irish College will reopen in July in the grounds of Presentation De La Salle, Bagenalstown. Coláiste Ghaeilge na Bearú is running a fun-filled Irish Course for 10-15-year old from July 1st-12th 2019. For more information please contact Paula/ Jennifer on [0851234476](tel:0851234476) or email cgnb18@gmail.com Family discount available.

National Tree Week 2020 takes place from 21st -27th March 2020. Carlow County Council will have a limited supply of native Irish saplings to donate to local Schools, Residents Association, local Community & Voluntary Groups. We will also be hosting a free Woodland Walk & Talk in Duckett's Grove at 11am on Wednesday 25th March. Horticulturalist Michael Buckley will lead the walk and will have lots of tips and advice for all who attend. For further information please contact Jannette at jobrien@carlowcoco.ie or call 059-9136232

South East Simon Community's Coffee Morning is back this March and we need your help. Join us in the fight against homelessness by hosting a Coffee Morning at home, in your workplace or anywhere you wish. You'll be playing your part in supporting men and women who are homeless here in the South East. Don't like Coffee? No worries – organise Afternoon Tea! It will be just as tea-riffic! We've got everything you need to help you organise your gathering. Just visit <https://www.southeastsimon.ie/coffeemorning/> It's very easy to sign up: Simply call Harvey on 085 804 8083, visit <https://www.southeastsimon.ie/coffeemorning/>, or email coffeemorning@southeastsimon.ie

Family Carers Ireland in conjunction with Headway Ireland will be holding a free workshop on Caring for a loved one with an acquired brain injury on Wednesday 8th April at 10.30am in the Cathedral Parish Centre, College St, Carlow. If interested in attending this workshop, please contact 056 7721424.

Graiguacullen Monster Bingo. In St. Fiacc's Hall, Graiguacullen. Sunday 15th March 2020 @ 3pm. Great Prizes to be won.

TABLE QUIZ POSTPONED A decision has been made by the Parents Council at St Mary's Academy CBS to postpone the table quiz on Friday 20th March in Éire Og Clubhouse. This decision has been made due to the current Coronavirus.

Mary Donoghue Irish Dancing: students will dance at the 12 o Clock Mass on St Patrick's Day in Askea Church

MA in Applied Spirituality The unique MA in Applied Spirituality 2020-21 will take place at the Jesuit Centre, Milltown Park, Milltown Road, Dublin 6. It brings the resources of spirituality to bear on issues about the meaning of life that come up at work, at home, in relationships, in life-transitions, and in concerns regarding personal, societal, and planetary wellbeing. It aims to meet the desire of those who wish to pursue transformative study in contemporary spirituality related to lived experience. See <https://spiritualityinstitute.ie/ma-applied-spirituality/> for further information or contact Dr Michael O'Sullivan at mosullivan@spiritualityinstitute.ie The MA is awarded by Waterford Institute of Technology (WIT).

Lenten Prayer Evenings Wednesday 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th March and 1st April, Clane Parish Church at 7.15pm Theme: The Camino of the Cross, Calvary Way
Join us for these 5 evenings of prayer and meditation which, using the Stations of the Cross as signposts along the way, will guide you along the pilgrim path that Jesus travelled towards Easter joy. The prayer periods are intended as a way of creating a 'sacred space' where you can open your heart to the Word of God and help you in preparing to celebrate God's great love for us. You can come for anyone evening, or all five if you wish. All are very welcome.

Rally for Life 2020 The annual Rally for Life will take place on Saturday 4th July at 2pm in Parnell Square, Dublin. The Rally for Life is Ireland's annual pro-life march in Dublin and is supported by pro-life groups from all over Ireland. Please go to www.rallyforlife.net for a full schedule of events, how to get there and how you can help make this Rally happen.

Enriching your Marriage, A Marriage Enrichment Weekend is for married couples of all ages. The next Weekend takes place at The International Hotel Cork on the 3rd to 5th April 2020 (Fri.7.30 pm to Sun 4 pm). For info. and to book please visit www.marriageencounter.ie or Ph: 087-216 2436.

Coming soon from Fr Liam Lawton "High is the Heaven" This is a new collection of Liturgical/Choral pieces especially for Parish Choirs It contains Music for the Eucharist, Psalms, (including the Psalm which Fr Liam composed for the Papal Mass with Pope Francis) Music for Christmas, and also a special Psalm composed for Weddings and a piece composed for the centenary of Fr Liam's home Church of St. Mary's Edenderry. It will be available from Veritas.

Carlow Lions Club Annual Book Sale - is re - locating to 138 Tullow Street, Carlow (formerly Swans Electrical) commencing on Monday 9th. March at 10am - 6pm. All proceeds in aid of local charities. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

Eire Óg Music Sat 14th March - Hot shots . Sat 21st March - Bandit Sat 28th March - Tequila Sunrise

Grinds available for J.C and L.C students for Math's and Physics. Available weekends for grinds. Contact Lauri on 0857267932 for more information

Askea Senior Citizens News March social night is on Wednesday 25th March 7pm – 10pm..

Easter Party is on Sunday 5th April 2pm-6pm. Free bingo, music, dancing and tea. Names and money to be in by March 25th.

Our April Holiday

Holiday to the Rose Hotel Tralee on Sunday 26th April. 5 days/4 nights B/B/D and Tours. Bookings have already started so if you are interested contact Marian as soon as possible on 059 91 43010.

Anyone who got Christmas Baskets could you please return them.

Membership is due by the end of March.

All Saints, Aghade Ministry of Healing weekend Friday 27th March at 8pm songs of Faith followed by a performance by Kilkenny Gospel Choir in support of the Irish Cancer Society. Tea afterwards Sub €10. Sunday 29th March at 7pm Service of Wholeness and Healing. Featuring the choir of St. Peter and Paul, Ballon. Guest speaker Mr Roy Elmes of Éist, Carlow. Aghade, Kilbride, Co. Carlow R93 X079. Email lester.dd.scott@gmail.com

The Adelaide Memorial Church Myshall; The fun and fellowship choir “The life of Jesus in word and song” Sunday 19th April at 7pm.

Lourdes Invalid Fund will take place on Sunday 22nd March.

Wild Askea/Bennekerry/ Tinryland

What we all can do to help our environment:

Recycling of waste

Composting in the garden

Water conservation

Reduction of print and going black

Pick one area in your garden for either wild flowers or leave it natural. Love

Dandelion but cut before seeds blow.

Go back to the old bar of soap

Carlow College Public Lecture ‘John Henry Newman: Why does his star continue to rise?’ By Rev Professor Thomas Norris on Monday 23 March at 1.45pm, Cobden Hall. All are welcome to attend.

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Prayer about St. Patrick

God our Father,
you sent Saint Patrick to preach your
glory to the people of Ireland.
By the help of his prayers,
may all Christians proclaim your love to
all men.
Grant this through our Lord Jesus
Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you and the
Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.