

Holy Family Parish, Askea

18th November 2018 Vol 28 No 52

Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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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

Centre Phone 91-42565

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Collections last weekend

Development: €1,287

Offertory €1,424

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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

Reflection

May the Lord support
us all the day long,
till the shades lengthen,
and the evening come,
and the busy world
is hushed,
and the fever of life
is over,
and our work is done.

Then in His mercy,
may he give us
a safe lodging,
a holy rest,
and peace at last.
Amen.

(Cardinal Newman)

Keeping in Touch

St Mary's Parish, Bennekerry

Sunday 18th November 2018

Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

A Friendship Blessing

May you be blessed with good friends.

May you learn to be a good friend to yourself.

May you be able to journey to that place in your soul
where there is great love, warmth, feeling,
and forgiveness.

May this change you.

May it transfigure that which is negative,
distant, or cold in you.

May you be brought in to the real passion,
kinship, and affinity of belonging.

May you treasure your friends.

May you be good to them

and may you be there for them;

may they bring you all the blessing, challenges, truth,
and light that you need for your journey.

May you never be isolated.

May you always be in the gentle nest
of belonging with your *anam cara*.

John O' Donohue

St Mary's Parish, Bennekerry

Fr Tom Little PP - Ph 059 9131559. Fr Tommy Dillon PE 0599142565
Newsletter Items - 059 9143881. **Deadline for News items: - 9pm**
Wednesdays Emergency Number for the Priest on Duty 087 2588118.
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Anniversaries 18th November 2018

Kathleen Kealy, Crosslow, Tullow

William Archbold, Rutland

Margaret Archbold, Rose Cottage, Bennekerry

Sadie McDonald, Farmerstown, Brownshill

Philip O'Neill, Friarstown, Bennekerry

Nancy Bible, St Mary's Park. Carlow

Philip Minchin, Tullow

Collections last weekend:

Development €218 Offertory €280

Palatine GAA Club Lotto

Results Monday 12th November 2018. Numbers Drawn 6, 14, 17 & 22. No JACKPOT WINNER.

4 Lucky Dips €50 each.

Winner	Promoter	Winner	Promoter
Jackie Ryan - Jackie Ryan	Alice Shelley	Teresa	(YourStop)

TJJ Jimmy O'Shea, Rabbit Jimmy O'Shea
Seller's Prize €70 - Nicky Parle

Next Draw Monday 12th November 2018. Jackpot €9,800.

Kildare & Leighlin Weekly Lotto Results

For Wed 14th November 2018. Numbers drawn were 15, 18, 23 & 28. **Jackpot Winner** – Mary Breen from Abbeyleix Parish. Promoter – Teresa Breen.

12 Match 3s won €84 each. Askea/Bennekerry had 1 Match 3s

Winner

Promoter

Pat Lalor

Michael Shannon – Askea Church

Next week's Jackpot €20,000. 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.

In Memoriam

We ask the Lord to grant eternal rest to:

Brenda Begley, 102 Kevin Barry Avenue, Carlow

and we offer our sympathy and the support of our prayers to all who have suffered the loss of a loved one at this time.

Askea Senior Citizens' News

Day Trip to Liffey Valley Shopping Centre

on Wednesday 28th November.

Non-members welcome. Contact Marian on 059 91 43010.

For Sale: Large bags of fire kindling. Phono 059 91 32405.

Friends of Fiacc's House are holding a Christmas Extravaganza on Friday 23rd November at 7 pm.in Activity Centre, St. Fiacc's House. Tickets are €10. Refreshments will be provided. Also music, cookery demonstration, flower arranging, Colour me beautiful, fashion show plus stands from demonstrators. If you would like to book a stand for €15 or buy a ticket please contact Margo on 086 3981213.

Tinryland National School presents *A Taste of Christmas* Cookery Demonstration with Celebrity Chef Edward Hayden. Food & Craft Fair. Tickets €15. On Friday 23rd November at 8.30pm in Seven Oaks Hotel. Tickets available from Parents' Association on 087 2050500 or Tinryland National School reception and Seven Oaks Hotel Reception. Doors open at 7.30pm.

Killeshin GAA MONSTER AUCTION - Sunday 25 November at 2pm Lots Accepted Sat 24th 2 – 4pm. Donations Accepted - Collection Available. Contact 085-2109353
* Agricultural Items. * Household Items
* Electrical Goods. * & Much More

Palatine Community Text Alert have organised their 3rd clean up day for year on Saturday 24h November from [10.00](#) a.m. to [12.00](#) noon. If everyone could clean 100 metres at either side of their house on the day it would make a big difference to our lovely townlands. Equipment for the clean-up will be available at Palatine house, Palatine from 9.30a.m. on Saturday morning & all rubbish bags will be collected from the side of the road during the clean-up and we'll be spick and span for Christmas.

Catholic Bibles for sale Copies of Catholic Bibles with exact readings used in the Mass may be obtained at discounted prices from James Treacy Books, Scarriff, Co. Clare with free delivery to anywhere in Ireland. Phone: 061921470 or 0860572216.

World War I Memorial Event at Carlow Town Hall, Sunday November 18th On Sunday next November 18th a special memorial event commemorating those from Carlow who gave their lives in World War I will take place at Carlow Town Hall at 1pm. The event will focus on the hundreds of Carlow men and women who gave their lives in the conflict and a plaque will be unveiled in their memory. Coordinated by Carlow County Council Centenary Committee the ceremony will commence at 1:00pm and will include minutes silence, remembrance through poetry, prayers of remembrance, and the laying of official wreaths. No charge for admission and all are welcome.

Beautiful quality Christmas cards are now on sale in Bethany House Alzheimer Day Care Centre Barrack Street Carlow. Pack of 12 assorted cards for €8.50. We also have our beautiful Cook book for sale for €20 lovely old recipes to treasure it would make a wonderful Christmas present. Call in to our office or phone Caroline / Moira / Laura 0599134736 or 0879126555 Thank you all for your continued support.

Carlow Flower Club Kick off your Christmas with Carlow Flower Club on Tuesday 27th November at the Woodford Dolmen Hotel. Christmas Gala Demonstration with Bernadette Scanlon AOIFA Judge, Teacher and Demonstrator. Mulled Wine and Canapés on arrival and all arrangements will be raffled on the night. Entry Fee €10. Loads of ideas for decorating your home this Christmas and Pieta House will benefit from the event. Treat yourself to a great night out and support a very worthy cause.

For Sale: Mothercare Pushchair – includes car seat, carrycot & base, footmuff & raincover, pram liner & apron. Suitable from birth. Height adjustable handles. Manual Included. Excellent condition €170. Contact 087 7866903.

Entering into Advent Together

Bishop Denis warmly invites people and clergy from across the diocese to join him, as we begin our Advent journey, for a celebration of Evening Prayer for the First Sunday of Advent in the Cathedral of the Assumption at 5 pm on December 2.

The music for this diocesan celebration will be led by the KandLe Diocesan Choir.

At this Advent Evening Prayer Bishop Denis will anoint an Icon written to depict, from the Rosary, the Third Mystery of Light: The Proclamation of the Kingdom of God. An image of this icon with helpful information to assist people pray the Mysteries of Light during Advent, will be this year's parish Reach Out Gift.

A call out to KandLe Diocesan Choir

All members singing at the Advent Evening Prayer in the Cathedral on December 2 are invited to be seated in their places by 4:30 pm for rehearsal.

Not a member of the choir but would like to be! If you are part of your local parish choir and would like to join the diocesan choir, please feel free to come along on December 2. In the meantime, if you would like to be kept informed about the Diocesan choir, simply email fds@kandle.ie, giving your email address, and you will be added to the diocesan list. Email before November 28, and we can send you the music for Evening Prayer!

Presentation School Band celebrates 50 years

A big thank you to everyone who came on the night and who supported our event in many ways, it was a lovely tribute to Sr Anna and we were thrilled to have a full house in the Seven Oaks. Thanks also for the great support for our annual church gate collection in Carlow, Askea and Graiguecullen last Sunday.

“Whisperings of My Soul” – Fr Seán Hyland

Fr. Sean Hyland launches his book, *‘Whisperings of My Soul’*, with the help of Bishop Denis Nulty on Friday, 7th December at 8pm in The GAA Centre, McCann Park, Portarlinton.

Fr. Seán, of the parish of Rhode and Clonbullogue and formerly from the parishes of Askea, Bennekerry and Tinryland, invites everyone to this launch and appreciates any support with the launch and promotion of his book.

This book tells the story of his many heavenly blessings and extraordinary consolations of faith which ultimately led to his ordination in 2014. This is a self-published book by Fr Sean and he is reaching out to everyone in the Diocese asking for your help to spread the word about *‘Whisperings of My Soul’*.

If you have any suggestions or can offer support in spreading the message of the beautiful heavenly blessings contained in this book please contact Fr. Sean at e/mail: hylandjohnliz@yahoo.ie or mobile 087 9486769. Following the launch, copies of Fr Seán’s book will be available to buy in Askea Parish Community Centre and Askea Church. If you would like to pre-order a copy or get a signed copy as a Christmas gift please contact the Parish Centre 059 91 42565 or 087 1269709.

CALENDAR

Wednesday:- 21st :-**Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

Thursday :- 22nd **St Cecilia**, the patroness of music and musicians, was a second or third century Roman Christian martyr. According to tradition, she refused to worship the Roman gods and was beheaded.

Friday:- 23rd:- **St Columban** also know as St Columbanus was born around 543. He became a monk of Bangor and later principal teacher there. In 591, desiring to go on a pilgrimage for Christ; he set out with 12 companions and came to Burgundy. He established monasteries at Annegray, Luxeuil and Fortaine according to the severe Irish Rule. Later he founded Bregenz in Switzerland and his greatest foundation at Babbio, where he died in 615. He is remembered as one of the greatest of the Irish missionary monks.

Saturday:- 24th:-**St Andrew Dung-Lac, priest and companions**. Through the 17, 18 and 19th centuries in Vietnam many Christians suffered martyrdom. On the 19th June 1988 Pope John Paul II canonised 117 of these, 96 native Vietnamese men and women, 11 Dominicans missionaries from Spain and 10 French missionaries.

St Colman, bishop, was born around 530, probably in West Cork. A bard by profession, he is reputed to have been influenced by St Brendan to become a priest. His apostolate was to East Cork. His main foundation was at Cloynes.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

“Take time to see the quiet miracles that seek no attention.”

John O’ Donohue

In Memory of My Mother

I do not think of you lying in the wet clay
Of a Monaghan graveyard;
I see You walking down a lane among the poplars
On your way to the station, or happily

Going to second Mass on a summer Sunday
- You meet me and you say:
'Don't forget to see about the cattle - '
Among your earthiest words the angels stray.

And I think of you walking along a headland
Of green oats in June,
So full of repose, so rich with life –
And I see us meeting at the end of a town

On a fair day by accident,
after The bargains are all made and we can walk
Together through the shops and stalls and markets
Free in the oriental streets of thought.

O you are not lying in the wet clay,
For it is a harvest evening now and we
Are piling up the ricks against the moonlight
And you smile up at us - eternally.

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