

Holy Family Parish, Askea

19th May 2019 Vol 28 No 25

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Fr. Tom Little - 91-31559
Fr Tommy Dillon - 91-64882
Sr. Joan Pierse 91-42565

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Emergency Priest on Duty
087 2588118

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Askea Parish Community
Centre Phone 91-42565
087 1269709

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Last week's Collections:
Development: €1,745
Offertory: €1,308

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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

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Keeping in Touch

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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.

Parish Office - 059 9142565 087 - 1269709.

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

Anniversaries 19th May 2019

Pieri Wall, The Forge

Jerry Brennan, Kernanstown

Jody Byrne, Kernanstown

Lizzy Fitzpatrick

Collections last weekend:

Development: € 150. Offertory: € 430.

Palatine GAA Club Lotto Results 13th May 2019.

Numbers Drawn 7, 14, 27 & 30. No JACKPOT WINNER. 4

Lucky Dips €50 each.

Winner

Promoter

Hugh Murhpy

Linda Top Oil

Sean Hickson

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John Nolan

Online

Paud O'Dwyer

Online

Seller's Prize €70 - Bernie Harmon. Next Draw Monday

20th May 2019. Jackpot €14,800.

Kildare & Leighlin Weekly Lotto Results

For Wed 15th May 2019. Numbers drawn were 7, 15, 22 and 32. NO Jackpot winner. 17 Match 3s won €59 each.

Askea/Benekerry had 3 Match 3s

Winner	Promoter
Paul O'Rourke	Pat Kennedy
Martie O'Rourke	Pat Kennedy
Una Bowe	Una Bowe

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.

Kildare & Leighlin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes

2019 led by Bishop Denis Nulty. Pilgrimage Director: Fr Paddy Byrne. 1st to 6th August, 2019 – Cost €759. All bookings to be made through Joe Walsh Tours, 143 Lower Baggot Street, Dublin 2. Forms are available from Askea Parish Community Centre. Payments for the pilgrimage may be made on a phased basis through the Parish Centre.

Kildare and Leighlin Annual Diocesan Collection

for our Retired Priests takes place at all Masses on 25th / 26th May 2019. Please give generously to continue the support of our Retired Priests. Thank you.

Sacrament of First Holy Communion 2019

We welcome the students and their families who are preparing for their First Holy Communion which will take place during Sunday Mass as follows:
Sunday 19th May – Gaelscoil – 10.30am – Askea Church
Sunday 19th May – Tinryland School – 10am – Tinryland Church
Sunday 26th May – Askea Girls' School – 10.30am – Askea Church

"Whisperings of My Soul" – Fr Seán Hyland

Fr. Sean Hyland's book *'Whisperings of My Soul'*, is available in the Sacristy after Mass or from the Parish Centre during the week.

In Memoriam

We ask the Lord to grant eternal rest to:

Margaret Fitzpatrick (née Lowry) Pollerton Big
Patsy Byrne, 40 O'Hanrahan's Avenue
and Park Lodge, Athy Road, Carlow
Alice Harkin (née Curran) Rathmines, Dublin
and Chaplestown, 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. It is a holy and
wholesome thought to pray for the dead.
We remember all who have died from our parish
and all who are bereaved.

Sponsored Carlow & District Vintage Tractor, Car and Bike Run

Carlow Day Care Centre, Brownhill Road, Askea wish to thank everyone who supported the recent Tractor Run. Thanks especially to Michael, Liam and all the staff and volunteers who make this such a successful event for the Day Care Centre.

Askea Senior Citizens News:

Monthly Night Out **is on 22nd May** this month (as we are due to go on our holiday at the end of May.) New members welcome. Transport is available to the Night Out – please contact Marian to arrange. 059 91 43010.

HOLIDAY to Rosses Point, Sligo on 27th May. There are 2 rooms left for our holiday – 1 Twin and 1 Double. Non-members welcome. Contact Marian at 059 91 43010.

Pilgrim Paths and the Celtic Camino A Public Talk with John O'Dwyer on May 22nd 2019 at 7.30pm in Mount St Anne's Retreat & Conference Centre, Killenard, Portarlington, Co Laois. The talk will be followed by the Launch of Mount St Anne's Strategic Plan 2019 – 2023.

Summer Concert with The Staves Orchestra, Singaloud choir and guests on Sunday 19th May 3pm in An Gairdin Beo, Old Dublin Rd. Admission €5 and children are free. Contact Carlow College of Music for further details. 059 9140676.

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help continues next Monday night 20th May at 7.30pm in St Clare's Church. This year's Theme is: "The importance of faith in our daily lives"
GUEST SPEAKER is: Bishop Fintan Monahan – Bishop of Killaloe

Unveiling & Blessing of Nano Nagle Sculpture Annette McCormack has sculpted a stunning image of The Venerable Nano holding forth her lantern as she strides energetically to spread the Good News, always going ONE STEP BEYOND. This work was commissioned as a gesture of gratitude from the people of Kildare. The sculpture is located outside the 'Hands Door' of the Parish Church adjacent to the former Presentation Convent building. On Pentecost Sunday, June 9th, we will invite all the Presentation Sisters who have served here in Kildare to join us for the 11 o'clock Mass after which we will have the blessing of the sculpture. All are welcome.

Rothe House & Garden, Parliament Street, Kilkenny will be holding a plant sale on Saturday May 25th between 11am and 2pm. A limited selection of plants will be available to purchase. A tour of the restored Tudor garden will also take place at 2pm hosted by our resident gardener Mary Pyke. Both events are admission free and all are warmly welcome to attend.

Carlow Flower Club May Meeting will feature a demonstration by Beatrice Hartog on Tues 28th May at 8pm in the Woodford Dolmen Hotel. Entrance fee for visitors €7.

Accord Carlow Pre – Marriage Courses 2019: September 6th & 7th - Friday Night & Saturday; October 4th & 5th - Friday Night & Saturday. To reserve a place book on line at www.accord.ie For further information please contact: Mary at Accord Carlow phone no 059 9138738. St Catherine's Community Service Centre, St Joseph's Road, Carlow Email: accordcarlow@eircom.net
Counselling Service Accord offers low cost confidential counselling to couples experiencing challenges or difficulties in their relationship. Contact Mary at 059 9138738

ÉIRE ÓG LOTTO WINNING NO's May 13th ...6 10 24 27.. No Jackpot Winner. 1 x Match 3 received €150...Swiss Family Robinson c/o John Walsh..Next week's Match 3 win or share €150...*Tickets may be purchased from the Club. Bingo every Thur night @ 8.30pm. Live music every Saturday night with no cover charge. Only €2 per week and the Jackpot could be yours.* NEXT WEEKS JACKPOT €2,600. Draw takes place every Monday night in Teach Asca at 8.30pm.

An Spioraid Naoimh Praying Community Praise and Worship Meeting for all Prayer Groups and Friends in Parish Centre St. Peter and Paul's Church Portlaoise on Saturday 25th May 2019 from 10:40am immediately after 10.00am Mass until 12.15pm Spiritual Director Fr. Ruairi O'Domhnaill. Contact Michael Nerney for Details 086-8157305

ACCOMMODATION REQUIRED FOR THE NATIONAL PLOUGHING CHAMPIONSHIPS: 17TH - 19TH SEPT 2019 If you have a house or B&B accommodation available to rent at reasonable rates please register your interest on: carlowtourism.com/submityourproperty Alternatively contact Carlow Tourism on 059-9130411 or info@carlowtourism.com for further details.

Graiguecullen Swimming Pool 059 9140330 .

EVENING CAMPS: 6pm – 6.45 pm; CAMP 1: 2nd – 6th July

CAMP 2: 9th – 13th July; CAMP 5: 30th July – 3rd Aug

MORNING CAMPS: 10a. – 10.45 am; CAMP 3: 16th – 20th July;

CAMP 4: 23rd – 27th July; CAMP 6: 13th – 17th Aug;

MONDAY – FRIDAY €40 per child

Fill in a booking form in the Pool office with €20 deposit per child.

Due to the increase in demand for lessons bookings cannot be accepted without a deposit. It is recommended that children be at least 4 years of age.

Eir 2019-2020 Printed Phonebook Directory

The eir 2019/2020 printed phonebook directory will not be delivered to you unless you pre-order it. You have the right to request one for the geographical location of your home phone number, between 1 April 2019 and 30 June 2019, by:

- calling Freephone 1800 273 246; - emailing phonebook@eir.ie;

Or - writing to eir Phonebook, PO Box No 13044, Tallaght, Dublin 24

If requested in advance, you can collect a copy free of charge between 1 September 2019 and 31 October 2019 from your nearest eir retail store or have it delivered (for a pre-notified distribution charge) to your primary place of residence or business.

Alternatives to the printed phonebook directory are electronic directories, which are available online. More details are available at www.comreg.ie/printed-phonebook-directory

Spring Clean Decluttering Course

Learn tips and methods on how to remove and manage clutter.

Move on emotionally from grief or relationship breakdown. Free up and reclaim unused space. Move stagnant energy. Leave with a plan in your hand ! GROUP SUPPORT AND RESOURCES -

Venue: Rainbow Healing, Lismard House, Carlow

Date: Sunday 9th June - 10 am to 1 pm

Booking Contact: 0858159574 or lifepathfengshui8@gmail.com

Are you? Struggling with Anxiety or Depression? Finding Life Difficult? Isolated? GROW is here to help you

Our Mental Health Support groups are free and confidential and open to all, no referral or booking needed. Just come along.

Weekly Meeting Time is: Tuesday @ 7.45pm

Venue: St Catherine's Social Services Centre Joseph's Road Carlow
Town Contact: Mary 087 2843424

Respect

Such a little word two syllables replete with meaning, infinite of possibility I take the time to listen get to know you, understand the shoes you walk in, all the miles you've travelled, the companions and the stumbling blocks you've met along the way You take the time to tell me all the colours of your journey. How the meeting place of cultures didn't happen overnight I am richer, wiser for your story so I listen with respect, come to know you as a friend, share with you my story till we grow in understanding of each other Soon that little word respect becomes a way of life Respect

2019 Annual Walk – The Columban Way

Saturday 25th May Bunclody to Myshall Village, Carlow. Sunday 26th May Myshall Village to Leighlinbridge, Carlow. Fund Raising Event. Cost €20 for 3 stages or €10 for 1 stage. All money raised goes towards Columban Way trail development. Limited to 100 participants so prior booking is essential. Book through Eventbrite or contact columbanwaymyshall@gmail.com for further details. Accommodation on Saturday or Sunday can be arranged through Carlow Tourism 059 9130411.

“God has given us the power to create beauty, to make another smile, to be a healing presence in someone's sorrow, to bring justice to the oppressed, to console those in difficulty, to bring peace and joy to others, to help those in need, to laugh and enjoy life, to do good and turn from evil, to forgive those who have hurt us, and, most of all, to love.”

Iris Perez

CALENDAR

Monday 20th:-**St. Bernardine** was born in Siena in 1380. He became a Franciscan, travelled through Italy, preaching with great success. He promoted devotion to the Holy Name and to St. Joseph. He died in 1444.

Tuesday 21st:-**Ss Christopher Magallanes and Companions**. These 25 priests and laymen were executed in 1927 in Mexico.

Wednesday 22nd:-**St Rita of Cascia**:-1386-1457, was married for 18 years. Her husband an ill-tempered and abusive man, was murdered. Later Rita entered the Augustian convent in Cascia and spent 40 years in prayer and charity, working for peace in the region.

Saturday 25th:-**St Bede**, 673-735, monk of Jarrow, historian and biblical commentator. Patron of scholars.

St Gregory V11, 1028-1085, Hildebrand of Tuscany was a Cluniac monk in Rome who on becoming Pope worked for reform and died in exile at Salenrao.

St Mary Magdalene de Pazzi, 1566-1607, a Carmelite in Florence, offered her life for the spiritual renewal of the Church.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Wisdom means keeping a sense of the fallibility of all our views and opinions and of the uncertainty and instability of the things we most count on.

Gerald Brennan

Canal Bank Walk

Leafy-with-love banks
and the green waters of the canal
Pouring redemption for me, that I do
The will of God,
 wallow in the habitual, the banal,
Grow with nature again as before I grew.
The bright stick trapped,
 the breeze adding a third
Party to the couple kissing on an old seat,
And a bird gathering materials
 for the nest for the Word
Eloquently new and abandoned
 to its delirious beat.
O unworn world enrapture me,
 encapture me in a web
Of fabulous grass and eternal voices by a beech,
Feed the gaping need of my senses,
 give me ad lib
To pray unselfconsciously
 with overflowing speech
For this soul needs to be honoured
 with a new dress woven
From green and blue things
 and arguments that cannot be proven.

Patrick Kavanagh