

Keeping in Touch

St Mary's Parish, Bennekerry

Sunday 1st August 2021

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Wayfarer

*The beauty of the world hath made me sad,
This beauty that will pass;
Sometimes my heart hath shaken with great joy
To see a leaping squirrel in a tree,
Or a red lady-bird upon a stalk,
Or little rabbits in a field at evening,
Lit by a slanting sun,
Or some green hill where shadows drifted by
Some quiet hill where mountainy man hath sown
And soon would reap; near to the gate of Heaven;
Or children with bare feet upon the sands
Of some ebb'd sea, or playing on the streets
Of little towns in Connacht,
Things young and happy.
And then my heart hath told me:
These will pass,
Will pass and change, will die and be no more,
Things bright and green, things young and happy;
And I have gone upon my way
Sorrowful.*

Padraig Pearse

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Anniversaries

Eucharistic Adoration takes place in Askea Church on
Wednesdays from 10am to 5pm.

K & L Diocesan Lotto Results

for Wednesday 28th July 2021

Numbers drawn were 05, 06, 15 & 20.

NO Jackpot winner

40 Match 3s winners get €25 each. Askea/Bennekerry had two Match 3s.

Winner

Promoter

Sr Joan Pierse

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Pat Kennedy

Next week's Jackpot €13,000.

Tickets for the Lotto

The Lotto draw continues in Portlaoise. We will continue to enter pre-paid tickets in the draw.

Carlow Rainbows Group offer a ten session **Peer Support Programme** for children aged 7 – 13 who have experienced loss through the **death** of a close relative or the **separation of their parents**. These Programmes are run separately, are free to participants and will commence in Askea Parish Centre when it becomes safe to do so. If you are interested, please contact **Anne** on **087 6636 499** or **Norah** on **087 1269 709**. **In addition, we are now offering similar programmes for teenagers aged 13 to 16.**

The Eist Cancer Support Centre continues to provide emotional support and practical help to anyone affected by cancer, their families, and carers. For more details on the services available please contact us on 085 8661499 or email info@eistcarlowcancersupport.ie.

The Lough Derg Pilgrim Path

The Lough Derg Pilgrim Path on the lough shore is now open daily. The full route is a 12km loop, with a shorter 8km option, and several information boards highlight features of particular interest. Leaflets are available at the Visitors Centre. A guided walk experience will be offered on Sunday 25th and Saturday 31st July, with Mass outdoors, weather permitting. Further dates for these guided walks will follow for late August and early September. For bookings and further information email info@loughderg.org or telephone (00353) 71 9861518. www.loughderg.org

An Gairdín Beo You are invited to COME PICK YOUR OWN project in An Gairdin Beo on every Wednesday from 11 a.m. -1 p.m. for June, July, and August. The following vegetables are on sale. Beetroot, onions/scallions, lettuce, turnips, rhubarb, strawberries, spinach, cabbage, broad beans, cut herbs, potted herbs sage, thyme, basil, coriander, lemon balm, potted outdoor plants, potted indoor plants, homemade marmalade, and chutneys. There is also a stall of high-quality accessories available on site. New and barely worn scarves, wraps, jewellery, unwanted and unopened gifts, vintage leather, and designer bags (jaeger, phoenix, cicada, brake burn and a vintage Furl) prices range from €35 downwards. In the interest of health and safety and sustainability you are asked to bring your own bag and tools. You are welcome to enjoy outdoor tea and coffee, containers supplied. Donation boxes will be at the cob oven area. All proceeds go back into the development and maintenance of An Gairdin Beo, if you have a surplus of produce in your garden, you are welcome to donate it to garden on the Wednesday mornings. We regret that we cannot accommodate cars on the premises. We apologise too that no card facility is available. We look forward to meeting you again.

An Gairdín Beo invites you to an **Outdoor Demonstration** given by Arun and Santo on how to make beetroot chutney and beetroot poriyal using the beetroot grown in the garden. This will happen during Pick Your Own Produce. We look forward to seeing you there and bring a friend.

Woodwork Demonstration Workshops

An Gairdín Beo , Old Dublin Road, Carlow Town. 93E1HF is organising a practical woodwork demonstration in the garden. This workshop will include how to create a two-tiered raised bed and a series of vertical planters that will suit smaller spaces and can be adapted to your own home situation. This workshop will be directed by John Joe Byrne
Dates: Monday September 6th , 13th , 20th , 27th and October 4th , 11th.
Time: 10.00am-1.00pm
This workshop is sponsored by Carlow ETB and is free to participants. However, you need to book your place by contacting fdunne@kcetb.ie before August 13th

Digital IT Zoom Workshops Dates: Monday 4th and 11th of October
Monday 1st and 8th of November. Time: 10.00am-12.00 noon
To book your place contact fdunne@kcetb.ie before September 24th
Tutor: Jennifer Fitzpatrick This workshop is sponsored by Carlow ETB

Apple Tree pruning in An Gairdín Beo

Tutor: Eddie Byrne Dates: Monday 18th October, and Thursday 21st of
October Time: 10.00am-12.00 noon
Practical guidance and hands on experience on how to prune apple trees.
Workshop is sponsored by Carlow ETB and is free to participants but you
must book your place in advance by contacting fdunne@kcetb.ie before 1st
of October.

Willow Basket Weaving Tutor: Heike Kahle Date: 15th October

Time: 10.00am-5.00pm Each participant will learn weaving skills and will be
enabled to make their own basket. This workshop is sponsored by Carlow
ETB You need to book your place before Friday 1st of October by contacting
fdunne@kcetb.ie Max 8 participants

Carlow Library Summer stars 2021 kicked off 14th June & runs until 27th
August, book your 30-minute slot at your local library, and arrange to call in
with the kiddies & sign them up for lots of reading incentives, competitions
etc. Re-opening Public Libraries Services are being provided to the public in a
step-by-step manner in line with public health guidance. Currently, we can
provide Call & Collect in all branches and Book a Browse in Carlow, Tullow,
and Muinebheag Libraries. library@carlowcoco.ie

Medjugorje Group Pilgrimage 2021 7 Night Pilgrimage Package
18th – 25th August Spiritual Director Fr. Sean Hyland cc
Contact: Michael Nerney 086 8157305 Tour operators Marian
Pilgrimages.

CALENDAR

Monday 2nd:-**St Eusebius of Vercelli** and the zealous **St Hilary of Poitiers** laboured to suppress Arianism in the West.

St Peter Julian Eymard, 1811-1867, a fervent disciple of the Eucharist Mystery, established the Blessed Sacrament Fathers and, with the help of Marguerite Guillot, the Servants of the Blessed Sacrament.

Wednesday 4th:- **St John Vianney**, 1786-1859, had to contend with poverty, military service and his own intellectual shortcomings in order to become a priest. In 1817 Father Vianney was sent to care for the people of a small obscure French village Ars. The marvellous gift of the unlearned priest for seeing into the depths of the soul brought the world to Ars. From 1830 on, the Curé averaged twelve to sixteen hours a day in the confessional. Patron of priests

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Keep your eye steadily fixed on God, draw from His infinite source of inspiration and strength, and you will find that you are capable of much more than you thought you were.