

# Holy Family Parish, Askea

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Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Collections last weekend

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

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Deadline for items for

Newsletter is 5pm on

Wednesday by phone to

9142565 or email to

office@askeaparish.ie

Website: [www.askeaparish.ie](http://www.askeaparish.ie)

## “Autumn”

A touch of cold in the  
Autumn night—

I walked abroad,

And saw the ruddy

moon lean over a hedge

Like a red-faced farmer.

I did not stop to speak,

but nodded,

And round about were

the wistful stars

With white faces like

town children.

**T.E. Hulme**

# Keeping in Touch

St Mary's Parish, Bennekerry

Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2018

**Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Shirley was married. She longed for children but it wasn't happening. She explored every avenue to overcome this difficulty. In every phone call she talked about one topic — a child. Suddenly there was a long silence for six months — no phone call. Then one day the phone rang. Shirley explained: "I've been in a depression over the last months. I came to realise that this baby-longing was an obsession. I had become a bore and a burden to people. So I decided to cut myself off, go into a quiet seclusion and pray. I said to God, 'Please don't take away my liking for children, but take away this obsession that is destroying my life and my relationship with others' and He did. Now I feel as if a chain has been broken that imprisoned me. I got a secretarial job. I go out with my husband. I can meet people, be happy for them when they talk about their children."

Painful experiences happen all the time — beginning to see life different — a change of attitude, a new experience, a separation, a disappointment. But they all carry the seed of resurrection and a new life through Christ.

Sunday Mass Stories and Prayers: -Liam Hickey

## St Mary's Parish, Bennekerry

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### Anniversaries 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2018

John Broderick, New York

John and Annie O'Keeffe, Palatine

and grandson Andrew O'Keeffe, Crew England

Molly Rossiter, Kernanstown Terrace

Christy O'Brien, Russelstown Park

Annie and Michael Fitzpatrick, Rutland Terrace

Patrick Cassidy Snr, 45 Kernanstown, Bennekerry

### Palatine GAA Club Lotto

Results Monday 17<sup>th</sup> September 2018. Numbers Drawn 11,  
13, 14 & 16. No JACKPOT WINNER.

4 Lucky Dips €50 each.

Winner	Promoter
Georgina & Joe	John Kelly, Bennekerry
Aidan Fitzharris	Tommy Fitzharris
Sean Buggy	Tommy Fitzharris
Socks	Jimmy O'Shea

Seller's Prize €70 - Ann Dunne.

Next Draw Monday 24<sup>th</sup> September 2018. Jackpot €8,200.

## **Kildare & Leighlin Weekly Lotto Results**

For Wed 19<sup>th</sup> September 2018. Numbers drawn were 16, 20, 21 & 27. No Jackpot Winner. 11 Match 3s won €91 each. Askea/Bennekerry had NO Match3.

Winner

Promoter

Next week's Jackpot €18,000. 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:

Teresa Mannion (née Martin), 169 New Oak Est.,  
Vincent Nicholl, Rainstown, Duckett's Grove,

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.

### **An Invitation from Bishop Denis**

In appreciation of your contribution to World Meeting of Families 2018 Bishop Denis warmly invites you to join him for a Mass of Thanksgiving in the Cathedral of the Assumption, Carlow on Friday, September 28 at 7:30 p.m. Followed by refreshments in Cathedral Parish Centre. RSVP to [bishopshouse@kandle.ie](mailto:bishopshouse@kandle.ie) by Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> September

**Pub Quiz** – in Carpenter’s Lounge in aid of Carlow Day Care Centre on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> October at 8pm. Tables €40 or €10 per person. Refreshments & Raffle.

**St Mary’s Academy CBS OPEN NIGHT** 2018 Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> October from 6.30pm to 8.30pm. Phone 059 9142419  
email principal:cbscarlow.ie

**FÉILE AN FHÓMHAIR/AUTUMN FESTIVAL 2018:**

Féile an Fhómhair, Carlow’s popular autumn bilingual festival, will run from 1<sup>st</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> October. There’s a packed programme of events for all to enjoy including music, theatre, art, set dancing, drama, storytelling, walks, talks, workshops and more. Full festival programme is available widely and to download from [www.glorcheatharlach.ie](http://www.glorcheatharlach.ie)

**The Eist Cancer Support Centre** would like to invite you to a talk on "Loss and Bereavement" at Carlow Library on Tuesday 25th September at 6pm. This talk will be given by Rita Kelly. The talk is suitable for all who have suffered loss through a cancer diagnosis - loss of a loved one, loss of confidence, job or income, etc. For more details contact Eist @ 059 9139684.

**Carlow Flower Club** begins their 2018/2019 season on Tuesday 25th September next at 8.00pm in the Dolmen Hotel, Kilkenny Road, Carlow. New members always welcome. The club meets on the last Tuesday of every month. Annual membership €40.00. (Visitors €7 per night). The September Demonstrator will be Adrienne Thompson AOIFA Demonstrator who will be showcasing some beautiful Autumn Arrangements. Looking forward to seeing all our members back, and hopefully lots of new members.

## **GOLEIR WOMEN'S GROUP**

As part of the Group's 20th anniversary celebration, all past and present members are invited to a coffee morning in Askea Parish Centre on Tuesday 25th September from 10.00am - 12noon.

**Friends of Nano Nagle**, *Foundress of the Presentation Sisters*, invite you to their National Gatherine 2018. A Day of Reflection , Conversation and Celebration for all Co-workers, Associates and Friends of Nano. Speakers: Dr Catriona Delaney, Nagle Scholar UCS *"Getting to Know Nano Nagle"*; Michael Long SPS Cabragh Wetlands Thurles *"Our Creation Story"*; Mary Teresa McCormack, Iontas Cahir *"Seeing with New Eyes"*; Music with Tom Conroy *"Piano Man Tom Songwrite/Singer/Pianist"*. Venue: Mount St Anne's Retreat and Conference Centre, Portarlinton. Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> October from 10am to 4pm. Cost €20 including lunch. Reservation essential by 28<sup>th</sup> September. Email: [annepresnano@gmail.com](mailto:annepresnano@gmail.com) or online booking [www.eventbrite.ie](http://www.eventbrite.ie) Post to: Anne Dwyer, Friends of Nano Office, Westgate, Thurles, Co Tipperary. Cheques payable to: Friends of Nano. Places limited. Payment secures your place.

## **Autumn/Winter Fashion Show**

4<sup>th</sup> October 2018 at 8.30pm; Venue: Seven Oaks Hotel, Carlow  
*Host: Faith Amond*; Tickets: €10; Featuring Local Boutiques  
Fantastic Prizes to be won on the night. Proceeds to Irish  
Wheelchair Assoc. Carlow. Further Information from:  
IWA Carlow 0599140983 [carlow@iwa.ie](mailto:carlow@iwa.ie)

**ÉIRE ÓG LOTTO** WINNING NO's Sept 17<sup>th</sup>. 8 14 19 23..No  
Jackpot Winner..3 x Match 3s..received €100 each..Séan Swan c/o  
Himself, BOS c/o John Walsh, Paddy c/o Séan Gannon...Next week's  
Match 3 win or share €150...*Tickets may be purchased from the  
Club. Bingo every Thur night @ 8.30. Live music every Saturday  
night with no cover charge.* NEXT WEEKS JACKPOT €3,200. Draw  
takes place every Monday night in Teach Asca at 8.30pm

**Carlow Golf Bridge Club.** Bridge resumes for the new season on Mon 24th Sept @ 7.15pm. New members welcome.

**St Lazerian's House, Bagenalstown, Co Carlow**

St Lazerian's House is a low dependency residential care unit for older people, a vacancy has arisen for administration support two days per week, please contact Marian Manning (Manager) on 0861258480 for an informal discussion, must have office experience, excellent IT skills, experience of TAS/Payroll system and knowledge of HIQA.

**Bethany House Alzheimer Day Care** is running a Social Club on

Thursday 2-4pm for People who have been diagnosed with Dementia or Alzheimers, drop in have a chat and a cup of tea. Cognitive stimulating activities will be offered to get peoples minds active and engaged for those who wish to participate, a cup of tea and chatt for those who just wish to socialise.

A choir is been formed specifically catering for people with memory loss on Friday 2-4pm. Anyone interested in taking part please contact us.

Please contact Bethany House Day Care, Barrack St., Carlow. Phone; 059 9134736/ 086 4668515 Nurse Manager Moira or Laura or Caroline Kennedy (Home Care Co-Ordinator) 9.30- 4.30pm

**Pet Blessing Service:** Urglin Church, Rutland. R93 TR04. 2 pm, Saturday 29 September. Speaker: Jane Hammond-Kelly, Carlow SPCA. All animals and humans welcome! If your animal can't be there please feel free to bring a photo.

**Legion of Mary Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine** on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> September at Bus Depot, Barrack Street, Carlow at 8am via The Thatch, Graiguecullen at 8.15am. Contact Kathleen 086 1577190; Margaret 059 9142515 or Josie 087 8324656.

**Piano lessons** Piano lessons available for people of all ages. Beginners welcome. Contact John – 087 684 3482.

**Rosary on the Coast for Life and Faith, Ireland**

Following the passing of the referendum removing the protection for unborn babies in Ireland we ask you to come and pray the Rosary on the Coasts of Ireland on October 7th, 2018 for the protection of unborn babies & for the strengthening of the Catholic Faith here. Sign up to a location in Ireland.

[www.coastalrosaryireland.ie](http://www.coastalrosaryireland.ie)

**Carlow Meditation Group** meets every Thursday night during the primary-school year in Askea Day Care Centre from 7:30 to 8:30pm. All who meditate or who would like to learn to meditate or find out more about the benefits and fruits of meditation are welcome. Meditation can transform your way of seeing and being in the world; it helps to uncover your true-self so that you learn to live in harmony with life. All welcome. No experience necessary. Call Noel on 087 2251183 to learn more or just come along any Thursday night at 7:30.

**FOLLOW ME UP TO CARLOW - EUROVISION SPECIAL** in aid of Carlow County Hospice. Special guests Eurovision winners, Niamh Kavanagh, Charlie McGettigan and Paul Harrington. Also, Keith McDonald of the Show Band Show.

WOODFORD DOLEMN HOTEL Saturday 29th Sept@8pm  
Tickets €25 available from hotel or John Candy 087-2632324 or any committee member. Thank you for your support.

**St. Leo's College Open Evening** will be held on Thursday, September 27, 2018. Parents and prospective students are warmly invited to attend. The Principal, members of staff and students will be present and delighted to assist with any queries. Parents wishing to enrol their daughters may do so on the night. Registration forms are available at reception.  
Time: 6.30pm - 8.30pm. Principal's Address @ 8pm



## **Askea Senior Citizens'**

**September Night Out on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> September** in Askea Parish Community Centre.

Bingo, Music and Cuppa. Transport available.

New members welcome.

Contact Marian 059 91 43010.

Our **Annual Flag Day** will take place on 27<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> September. If you have an hour to spare, we would be glad of your help.

### **AFTERSCHOOL IRISH FOR POST PRIMARY STUDENTS:**

Glór Cheatharlach is announcing another season of Afterschool Irish for post primary students. Weekly class in New Oak Community Centre on Tuesdays commencing 25<sup>th</sup> Sept from 4.30 -5.30pm led by an experienced Irish teacher. The fee of €30 covers the full term from Sept to Dec. Details: 085 1340047, 087 2857048 or [emma@glorcheatharlach.ie](mailto:emma@glorcheatharlach.ie)

**Coffee Afternoon and Garden Walk** – hosted by the Tucker Family, Brownshill Avenue, Carlow from 2pm to 5.30pm on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> September. There will be entertainment from Carlow Ukulele Players. Donations on the day, if desired, will go to An Gairdin Beo, old Dublin Road, Carlow (beside St Leo's Secondary School). All welcome.

**Tullow's Scoil Náisiúnta Muire Lourdes** launches its 2018 gala concert with special guests The Celtic Tenors. Pupils to perform alongside famous musicians as part of concert. The gala concert will take place on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> October, 2018, in the Church of the Most Holy Rosary Tullow. Pupils from Scoil Mhuire Lourdes, who currently participate in 'Music Generation', Ireland's national music education programme, will have a unique opportunity

## CALENDAR

Tuesday - 25<sup>th</sup>:-St Finbarr came to Loch Irce (Gougane Barra) and probably lived there as a hermit. When disciples gathered round him he moved to Cork at the mouth of the Lee where he founded a monastery which became a famous centre of learning.

Wednesday :- 26<sup>th</sup>:-Sts Cosmas and Damian, early martyrs in Syria, patrons of physicians. They are known as the Anargyri in the East since they never took money for their medical services.

Thursday :- 27<sup>th</sup>:-St Vincent de Paul, 1580-1660, founded the Congregation of the mission (the Vincentians) and the Daughter of Charity (1633), the first sisters to work outside their convents in active service. He is patron of all charitable works

Friday :- 28<sup>th</sup>:-St Wenceslause, 905-925, Prince of Bohemia, killed by his brother. Patron of brewers

St Lawrence Ruiz and his companions. During the period 1633-1637 these sixteen martyrs shed their blood out of love for Christ in the City of Nagasaki, Japan.

Saturday :- 29<sup>th</sup>:-Sts Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, archangels.

## THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

### Pope Francis Quotaion on Mercy

“Jesus on the cross feels the whole weight of the evil, and with the force of God's love he conquers it; he defeats it with his resurrection. This is the good that Jesus does for us on the throne of the cross. Christ's cross, embraced with love, never leads to sadness, but to joy, to the joy of having been saved and of doing a little of what he did on the day of his death.”

— Pope Francis, The Church of Mercy

## **“To Autumn”**

O Autumn, laden with fruit, and stain'd  
With the blood of the grape, pass not, but sit  
Beneath my shady roof; there thou may'st rest,  
And tune thy jolly voice to my fresh pipe,  
And all the daughters of the year shall dance!  
Sing now the lusty song of fruits and flowers.

The narrow bud opens her beauties to  
The sun, and love runs in her thrilling veins;  
Blossoms hang round the brows of Morning, and  
Flourish down the bright cheek of modest Eve,  
Till clust'ring Summer breaks forth into singing,  
And feather'd clouds strew flowers round her  
head.

The spirits of the air live in the smells  
Of fruit; and Joy, with pinions light, roves round  
The gardens, or sits singing in the trees.”  
Thus sang the jolly Autumn as he sat,  
Then rose, girded himself, and o'er the bleak  
Hills fled from our sight; but left his golden load.

William Blake (1783)