

Holy Family Parish, Askea

4th November 2018 Vol 28 No 51

Thirty First Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Collections last weekend

Development: €1,605

Offertory €1,225

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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

Autumn Leaves

Orange, yellow, and
brilliant reds,

Adorn the forest glade.

A carpet of carnelian hue,

No longer shelt'ring shade.

With each step, a crackling
crunch,

Forged by man and
creature.

Reminds all earth of
nature's way,

And Autumn's grandest
feature.

A symphony of glorious
tone,

Composed across the land.

A canvass laden with colors
anew,

Brushed by God's own
Hand

Bryan Ridenour

Keeping in Touch

St Mary's Parish, Bennekerry

Sunday 4th November 2018

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THE MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS

Loving Neighbour as Oneself (Growing Good Corn)

A farmer grew award-winning corn. Each year he entered his corn in the state fair where it won a blue ribbon. One year a newspaper reporter interviewed him and learned something interesting about how he grew it. The reporter discovered that the farmer shared his seed corn with his neighbours. "How can you afford to share your best seed corn with your neighbours when they are entering corn in competition with yours each year?" the reporter asked. "Why sir," said the farmer, "didn't you know? The wind picks up pollen from the ripening corn and swirls it from field to field. If my neighbours grow inferior corn, cross-pollination will steadily degrade the quality of my corn. If I am to grow good corn, I must help my neighbours grow good corn." He is very much aware of the connectedness of life. His corn cannot improve unless his neighbour's corn also improves.

So it is with our lives. Those who choose to live in peace must help their neighbours to live in peace. Those who choose to live well must help others to live well, for the value of a life is measured by the lives it touches. And those who choose to be happy must help others to find happiness, for the welfare of each is bound up with the welfare of all. The lesson for each of us is this: if we are to grow good corn, we must help our neighbours grow good corn.

Archive of Homilies

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**
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Anniversaries 4th November 2018

Jonathan Burroughs, Bennekerry

Marie O'Neill, Busherstown

Brian Burroughs, Palatine

Collections last weekend:

Development €274

Offertory €225

Palatine GAA Club Lotto

Results Tuesday 30th October 2018. Numbers Drawn 7,
25, 30 & 32. No JACKPOT WINNER.

4 Lucky Dips €50 each.

Winner

Promoter

Anita Phelan

Emma M - Top Oil

John Kelly, Rutland

John Kelly

Pat Murphy

Ray Dempsey

Shane Stronge

Gerry O'Neill

Seller's Prize €70 -

Emma, Top Oil

Next Draw Monday 5th November 2018. Jackpot €9,400.

Kildare & Leighlin Weekly Lotto Results

For Wed 31st October 2018. Numbers drawn were 4, 9, 12 & 28. No Jackpot Winner. 41 Match 3s won €25 each. Askea/Benekerry had 5 Match 3s

| Winner | Promoter |
|----------------------------|---------------------|
| Pat Byrne | Betty Doyle |
| Brendan & Siobhan O'Reilly | Mary Woods |
| M J Dunne | Askea Parish Centre |
| Breda Deane | Michael Shannon |
| Desmond Lynch Jnr | Marie Lynch |

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.

Askea Senior Citizens' News

October Monthly Night Out on Wednesday 31st October in Askea Parish Community Centre - 7pm to 10pm. Bingo, music and cuppa. New members welcome. Contact Marian at 059 91 43010. Transport available.

Askea Senior Citizens' Christmas Dinner & Party is on Sunday 25th November in Seven Oaks Hotel at 1pm. Members need to book and pay by 15th November. Contact Marian 059 91 43010. Transport available.

Day Trip to Liffey Valley Shopping Centre on Wednesday 28th November. Non-members welcome. Contact Marian on 059 91 43010.

Children's Chess Chess sessions for Junior players continues in Askea Parish Centre from 6.45pm and continue throughout the Autumn and Winter. Sessions will last one hour. Beginners will be very welcome.

The Miscarriage Association of Ireland will hold its Annual Service of Remembrance on Sunday the 11th of November 2018 at 3pm in St Teresa's Church, Donore Avenue, off South Circular Road, Dublin 8. All parents, siblings, grandparents & anyone else affected by the loss of a baby are very welcome to attend, regardless of whether the loss was recent or long ago.

Friends of Fiacc's House are holding a Christmas Extravaganza on Friday 23rd November at 7 p.m..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

The Journey Concert:- venue: St Clare's Church, Graiguecullen Date: Sunday November 4th @ 7.30pm Admission: FREE:- To mark the amazing journey of 7 Mercy Sisters who left Carlow 1843 to travel to America where they set up numerous convents, schools, orphanages and hospitals, we are putting on a concert in St Clare's Church, Graiguecullen on Sunday, November 4th at 7.30pm. Fr Liam Lawton, Hollywood actor Patrick Bergin and local singer songwriter Justin Kelly will all perform on the night. It promises to be a very special occasion. All are welcome and admission to the concert is free. Please spread the word.

Bishop Denis Nulty, will unveil a plaque at the Mercy convent gate on Dublin Road at 1pm on November 4th 2018 with representatives of the Mercy order from Carlow and Pittsburgh. In St Leo's College, speakers will outline the background to the 1843 journey of seven Carlow nuns to Pittsburgh and the work of the sisters in the United States including the founding of Mercy Hospitals, schools and Carlow University as well as further convents. All are welcome.

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

Carlow Fringe Arts Festival AGM will take place on 8th November at 7.30pm in Seven Oaks Hotel, Athy Road, Carlow. All welcome.

For Sale: Pushchair – Mothercare Roam complete travel system includes pushchair / pram, car seat, carrycot & base, footmuff & raincover, pram liner & apron. Suitable from birth. Height adjustable handles. Manual included. Excellent condition. €170. Ring 087 7866903.

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.

Senator Jennifer Murnane O'Connor is hosting a **Free Public Information Meeting** entitled "Housing in Ireland - Affordable Homes, Social Housing, Homelessness - Your Issues, Your Voice" at New Oak Community Centre, Carlow on Monday November 12th 2018 at 7.30pm. Speakers on the evening will be Darragh O'Brien TD, Fianna Fáil spokesperson for Housing, Planning and Local Government and Pat Casey TD. All are welcome.

Holy Angels Day Care Centre would like you to join with them in celebrating 40 Years of caring for children with Special Needs. Ecumenical service will be celebrated by our Chaplain Fr. John Mc Evoy who will be joined by Fr. Liam Lawton followed by light refreshments and entertainment On Friday 9th November 2018 at 6.30pm in Holy Angels Day Care Centre, Strawhall Ind Est, Carlow. We hope that as many parents both past and present and anyone associated with Holy Angels down through the years will attend.

Bake Sale and Coffee Morning in aid of the Jack & Jill Foundation will take place after all Masses on Sunday 4th November in Askea Parish Community Centre. Your support is greatly appreciated.

The Vincent de Paul shop on Tullow Street Carlow will have a large range of very nice gifts on sale next Tuesday morning November 6th. If you are looking for a Christmas present at a bargain price or you just want to treat yourself why not drop into the shop. Put the date in your diary and pick up some fabulous gifts at really great prices. See you there on Tuesday morning at 10am.

Presentation School Band Carlow – 50th Anniversary Celebrations

The band (or Sr Annas band to many) celebrates a milestone this year and will hold a concert in the Seven Oaks Hotel on Thursday November 8th at 7.30pm. There will be performances on the night from Fr Liam Lawton, Aspiro, Carlow Youth Orchestra, Reelog and Scoil Mhuire Gan Smal aswell as the current Band. Senator Jennifer Murnane O'Connor will be MC on the night. All are welcome to enjoy the wonderful musical talent. Tickets are €10 each and available from Carlow Cathedral Parish Centre, Askea Parish Centre, Graiguecullen Parish Centre, Seven Oaks Hotel and all band members.

Carlow Active Retirement Members going to National Concert Hall Dublin on Wednesday 14th Nov. to view a performance of "Carousel" by Rathmines and Rathgar Musical Society. Bus leaving at 3pm. This replaces the recently cancelled outing. For information contact Noreen on 0876522374. Members please note November monthly meeting will now be on Friday 16th Nov. at 2.30pm in Cathedral Parish Centre

World War I Commemoration, Leighlinbridge:

As part of the County Carlow Decade of Centenaries programme, a World War I Commemoration ceremony will take place in Leighlinbridge Memorial Garden on Sunday November 11th at 11am. All are welcome to attend.

Eire Og News LOTTO WINNING NO's Mon Oct 29th.... 2 3 13 32. No Jackpot Winner.. 2 x Match 3 winners received €75 each.. Clare Murphy c/o Don Walker, Keelan Hegarty c/o Tony Noctor. Next week's match 3 win or share €150. *Tickets may be purchased from the Club. Live Music every Saturday night..* NEXT WEEKS Jackpot €4,100. Draw takes place every Mon Night in Teach Asca at 8.30pm.

FREE events in Carlow Library.

There is Storytime for U'6s every Saturday (except bank holiday weekends)

On Wednesday, 7th November, 6pm at Tullow Library, there is The Stolen Bollard Tour, an evening of poetry and fiction from Ireland and the U.S. starring Derek Coyle and Patrick Parks.

Follow Carlow Library on facebook /carlowcountylibrary & Twitter @carlowlibraries for event listings

The Eist Cancer Support Centre, The Waterfront, Mill Lane, Carlow, will hold its annual Ecumenical Service of Remembrance on Tuesday 13th November at 8pm. All welcome.

Marian Movement of Prayers for Priests takes place in St Fiaccs House, Graiguecullen, Carlow on Tuesday 6th November at. 7 30pm. Mass, Rosary and Benediction. All Welcome.

Carlow Regional Youth Services are currently recruiting for the following positions on their CE Programme:

Teenage Youth Support Workers (x3) - one based in Carlow town, one for Bagenalstown Youth Project and one for Bishop's House, Tullow Youth Project.

Cleaner.

All of these positions are 19.5 hours per week. If you are interested in any of these positions or want to check your eligibility please call Lisa/Marie on 085 2101494 or 059 9130476 for enquiries.

“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, Portarlington.

Fr. Sean, 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.

Independent Senator Frances Black is coming to the Osprey Hotel, Naas on Monday 5th November at 7.15pm to speak about her recent visit to Palestine, the people she met, and the concrete steps Ireland can take against the on-going injustice - including her Occupied Territories Bill 2018. The bill would end trade between Ireland & Israel's illegal settlements and passed a historic first vote in July. It soon returns to Seanad Éireann for the next stage. Senator Black will outline why she tabled the bill, how we can help to get it passed, and why Irish-Palestinian solidarity is needed now more than ever.

Peak Talks.

A series of talks exploring PERSONALITY (selfhood, identity), BEHAVIOUR (habits, care), and BOUNDARIES (needs, power). Peak Talks are a series of presentations to help people to PEAK! Pursue, Enlarge, and Act on Knowledge for daily living: Increase your awareness; enhance your wisdom; reach your potential. All are welcome.

Teach Bhride, Tullow, Co. Carlow. 059 91 52465. 21st and 28th November and 5th December, 2018. 6-8 p.m. €10 per week. Facilitator: Dr. Ivan

Kennedy  www.kennedycounselling.com

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

"“No human relation gives one possession in another—every two souls are absolutely different. In friendship or in love, the two side by side raise hands together to find what one cannot reach alone.” "

Kahill Gibran

CALENDAR

Tuesday 6th:-: **All Saints of Ireland** ' In the communion of saints many and varied spiritualities have been developed throughout the history of the Churches.... The different schools of Christian spirituality share in the living tradition of prayer and are essential guides for the faithful. In their rich diversity they are refractions of the one pure light of the Holy Spirit' (CCC, 2684)

Wednesday 7th: **St Wallboard** was born in Northumbria in 658. He entered the Benedictine order and was sent to study. After ordination he was sent with eleven companions to evangelize Frisia. He established a mission at Utrecht and in 695 was ordained Archbishop of Utrecht by Pope Sergius I. He founded a monastery at Echternach in Luxembourg in 700, where he died in 739.

Friday 9th:-**The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica**

The Church of St John on the Lateran in Rome is “Mother and Head of all the churches of the entire City and the World.” It is the Cathedral church of the Bishop of Rome, and was called “St. John” after the two monasteries once attached, dedicated to St John the Divine and St John the Baptist. It is however dedicated to The Most Holy Saviour.

Saturday 10th:-**St Leo the Great**, d, 461 taught the two natures of Christ at the Council of Chalcedon, 451, and the Primacy of the Sea of Peter.

Emmanuel House, Clonfert

Day of Prayer for the Holy Souls on Sunda 11th
November. Bus leaving Tullow Car Park at 8am via
Carlow. Contact Lily 087 2245193 or 059 9151245.

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The Holy Souls in Purgatory

The Holy Souls in Purgatory

are suffering in great pain.

Please send them your good works and prayers,

So heaven they'll attain.

Ask them for all the favours

of which you are in need;

And now, just as later; when in heaven;

For you they'll intercede.

When at last; they reach heaven;

and see God face to face;

Gratefully they'll obtain all you ask;

And even lots more grace.

From heaven they'll watch over you;

As on the earth you still roam;

and do all in their power to lead you safely;

Towards your heavenly home.

Mary Ann

Matulis