



# Keeping in Touch

St Mary's Parish, Bennekerry

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> April 2021

Second Sunday of Easter – Divine Mercy Sunday

## God's Grandeur

The world is charged with the grandeur of God.  
It will flame out, like shining from shook foil;  
It gathers to a greatness, like the ooze of oil  
Crushed. Why do men then now not reck his rod?  
Generations have trod, have trod, have trod;  
And all is seared with trade; bleared, smeared with toil;  
And wears man's smudge and shares man's smell: the soil  
Is bare now, nor can foot feel, being shod.

And for all this, nature is never spent;  
There lives the dearest freshness deep down things;  
And though the last lights off the black West went  
Oh, morning, at the brown brink eastward, springs —  
Because the Holy Ghost over the bent  
World broods with warm breast and with ah! bright wings.

Gerard Manley Hopkins

# St Mary's Parish, Bennekerry

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## **Anniversaries**

### **Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> April 2021**

Kathleen Sullivan, Bennekerry

### **Broadcast Mass times:**

We continue to broadcast Mass from Holy Family Church, Askea on Monday to Friday at 9.30am. Rosary is recited immediately before Mass at 9.05am.

Weekend Masses will be broadcast at 7pm on Saturdays and 9am and 10.30am on Sundays.

You can access our webcam at <http://www.askeaparish.ie/our-parish/webcam/>

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

## **K & L Diocesan Lotto Results**

**for Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> April 2021**

Numbers drawn were 5, 8, 25 & 28. One Jackpot winner in Newbridge Parish. Winner – Fiona Hayden

7 Match 3s winners get €167 each. Askea/Bennekerry had NO Match 3s

Winner

Promoter

Next week's Jackpot €10,000.

### **Tickets for the Lotto**

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

There is a link to all three church webcams on the Home Page of Askea Parish. You can also access Tinryland and Bennekerry webcam was logging on to [www.livecamireland.ie](http://www.livecamireland.ie) and searching for the church by name.

OR you can log into YouTube.com and search for Bennekerry Webcam or Tinryland Webcam.

Holy Family Church, Askea - Webcam link:

<http://www.askeaparish.ie/our-parish/web-cam/>

or

<https://mcnmedia.tv/iframe/d47935f3857a992c399ab5bd0f9e9a293f5bc9c7>

St Mary's Church, Bennekerry - Webcam can be accessed at:

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZyK61r70\\_2E](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZyK61r70_2E)

or

<https://livecamireland.ie/religious-services/st-marys-church-bennekerry/>

St Joseph's Church, Tinryland - Webcam can be accessed at:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8iE-R4oXRIk>

or

<https://livecamireland.ie/religious-services/st-josephs-church-tinryland/>

## **Webcam services in Bennekerry and Tinryland churches.**

The parishes of Bennekerry and Tinryland are very grateful to the Department of Rural and Community Development for financial assistance in installing a webcam system in each church so that services can be broadcast remotely.

You can view the webcam stream by logging on to [www.livecamireland.ie](http://www.livecamireland.ie) and selecting County Carlow and the relevant church.

Alternatively the link for each church is listed below.

The Tinryland Webcam can be accessed at:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8iE-R4oXRIk>

The Bennekerry Webcam can be accessed at:

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZyK61r70\\_2E](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZyK61r70_2E)

**An Gairdin Beo** is organising four cookery classes on ZOOM.

The classes will be directed by Majella Johnson. Majella will base her recipes on the herbs, fruits and vegetables grown in An Gairdin Beo.

The dates for the workshops are as follows:

Monday 12th April, Monday 19th April, Monday 26th April

Monday 3rd May. Each session is from 10 a.m. - 11.30 a.m.

The workshops are free, but you must book your place in advance.

Please send your name, postal address, and email address to:

[fdunne@kcetb.ie](mailto:fdunne@kcetb.ie) before 2nd April

# SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

The Global Goals, also known as the **Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)**, are a **universal plan of action for people and planet** to be achieved by the year 2030. These goals aim to end poverty, combat climate change and ensure that we leave peaceful, just and equal societies for future generations.

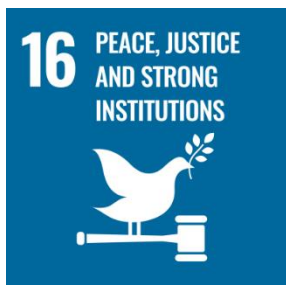
These goals are universal in nature, applying to developed and developing countries alike, and place sustainable development at their core.

They are backed up by **169 specific targets** which address challenges in areas as diverse as **poverty, education, human rights, food security, clean energy, climate, peace, sustainable consumption and urbanization**. They provide clear guidelines for all countries to adopt in accordance with their own priorities and circumstances.

The SDGs work in the spirit of partnership, encouraging all people across the globe to **make the right choices now** to improve life, in a sustainable way, for our children and for generations to come.

Each week we will feature some of the goals with suggestions of what you can do in your home to help.

## **ACTIONS TO HELP TRANSFORM YOUR WORLD.**



46. Demonstrate a peaceful environment at home.
47. Use your vote, participate in your country's decision making process.
48. Be respectful and peaceful in standing up for what you believe in.

**(SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOAL 16 PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS )**

*Thanks to Pádraig Webb for this input.*

# Inter- Diocesan Easter Music Project- Lent 2021



During this Lent, the Diocese of Waterford and Lismore designed an innovative music project and generated a shared vision across 6 dioceses: **Waterford & Lismore, Kildare and Leighlin, Ferns, Kerry, Limerick , Dublin Arch Diocese & Elphin**, bringing together 66 students in over 17 schools and young people from several youth groups, to give a beautiful spiritual expression to this Easter Season and to generate much needed funds for the Charity, Mary's Meals.

Mary's Meals at present feed school-going children 1,600,000 meals every day across the world. The young people recorded 3 songs, readings, reflections, and liturgical dance, that focus on the 3 movements of Easter – Palm Sunday- The Crucifixion– The Resurrection of our Lord.

Declan Browne, the diocesan advisor for Waterford and Lismore, who having been provoked by the challenges of these times wanted to propose a faith-based project that would connect with the schools and provide a meaningful space for our youth. Declan, whose background is in psychology and youth retreat work, has spent 25 years working directly with young people and realised that music and social justice issues particularly resonated with young people. This realisation has been the motivation behind this innovative project.

The project from the outset was a real team effort. Diocesan Advisors and Youth Workers in 6 dioceses worked hand in hand to identify students and young people across their own dioceses, fantastic music teachers promoted the idea to their students and helped them with the recordings and Holy Family Missions supported with their musical talents. The whole video production would have not been possible without the technological skills and dedication of *The Sisters of the Home of the Mother*. Video File by File they created such a meaningful, spiritual story of Jesus & the Easter event.

And finally, the young people themselves. Not even a Pandemic could prevent the generous, kind-hearted, and talented spirit of our young people who supported such a worthy cause as 'Marys Meals'. Through their example they showed the true meaning of Easter as 'A Time of Hope.'

Click the link <https://youtu.be/jAopVZUJGpE> to watch the video and details on how to donate to Mary's Meals.



## SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER '21

The struggle for faith experienced by Thomas leads us to think on the meaning of faith in the Risen Christ. We do not depend on physical experiences of Christ but know His presence in keeping Gods commandments and as a gathered community in the hearing of the word and in sacramental signs. So the Christian Community is a thankful one, always blessing God for a sure hope through the resurrection of Christ.

### **Pied Beauty**

Glory be to God for dappled things –

For skies of couple-colour as a brindled cow;

For rose-moles all in stipple upon trout that swim;

Fresh-firecoal chestnut-falls; finches' wings;

Landscape plotted and pieced – fold, fallow, and plough;

And áll trádes, their gear and tackle and trim.

All things counter, original, spare, strange;

Whatever is fickle, freckled (who knows how?)

With swift, slow; sweet, sour; adazzle, dim;

He fathers-forth whose beauty is past change:

Praise him.

GERARD MANLEY HOPKINS

### **CALENDAR**

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup>:-**St Martin 1**, died in 655 from harsh treatment in exile and prison.

### **THOUGHTS FOR THE WEEK**

It's a lifelong process to learn to involve God more in your life and work, and to operate in ways that are effective for your spirit – just like staying fit and healthy physically should be a lifelong priority.