

# Holy Family Parish, Askea

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Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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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

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## **The seed fell on rich soil.**

*In the rich soil of care,  
the word of God takes root.*

*In the fruitful soil of birth,  
the word of God becomes flesh.*

*In the thorny soil of suffering,  
the word of God consoles.*

*In the flowering soil of friendship,  
the word of God makes sense.*

*In the deep soil of faith,  
the word of God comes to life.*

*And in the times we till our lives  
with care, compassion,  
with courage and endurance,  
with joy and with love,  
the word of God is sown by Jesus,  
and bears its rich fruit,  
and is given to us  
in the Bread of Life.*

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# Keeping in Touch

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## A Blessing

May the light of your soul guide you.

May the light of your soul bless the work you do  
with the secret love and warmth of your heart.

May you see in what you do the beauty of your own soul.

May the sacredness of your work bring healing,

Light and renewal to those who work with you  
and to those who see and receive your work.

May your work never weary you.

May it release within you wellsprings of  
refreshment, inspiration and excitement.

May you be present in what you do.

May you never become lost in the bland absences.

May the day never burden.

May dawn find you awake and alert,  
approaching your new day with dreams, possibilities and  
promises.

May evening find you gracious and fulfilled.

May you go into the night blessed, sheltered and protected

May your soul calm, console and renew you.

*John O'Donohue (1956-2008)*

# St Mary's Parish, Bennekerry

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## **Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2020**

### **Anniversaries**

Jimmy & Betty Doyle, Russelstown

**Contact Details for the Parish Office** You can contact the Parish Office to book Anniversaries at 087 1269709.

## **Mass Times from Monday 13<sup>th</sup> July 2020**

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Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> July – 7pm; Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> July – 9am, 10.30am & 12 noon.

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## **Church Re-Opening for Public Masses**

Welcome back to public Masses. Please follow the directions of the stewards. To maximise the space in the Church you will be directed to your seat. To minimise contact in the Church we will fill the seats starting at the front and working to the back.

At Holy Communion time the Eucharistic Ministers will go between the seats. If you wish to receive you are asked to stand up.

At the end of Mass we will empty the church starting with the back rows. Please follow directions of the stewards.

Please sanitise your hands as you enter and leave the Church.

Please remember to socially distance both inside and outside the Church.

### **Pods**

In order to comply with the latest regulations and allow the maximum capacity in the Church we have created two PODS in Askea Church. The pods must be kept separate at all times and must be 4 metres apart. You will see ropes down the seats at the centre aisle of the Church marking the 4 metres spacing. You are asked to stay in the side of the Church you enter and, after Mass, leave at the same side. Your cooperation with this will help us to ensure the health and safety of priests, parishioners, visitors and staff in the Church.

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## **Trócaire**

Now that the Church is open for public Masses Trócaire boxes can be returned during any of the Masses. Your support for the Trócaire organization is much needed and very much appreciated.

## **Eucharistic Adoration**

Eucharistic Adoration takes place in Askea Church on Wednesdays from 10am to 7pm. The regular group of people who have committed to observing an hour at Adoration are asked to let the Parish Office know if they are still available to do so. New volunteers are always very welcome. 087 1269709.

## **K & L Diocesan Lotto**

The Diocese resumed the K & L Lotto draw on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> July 2020. Some of our promoters have expressed concerns at having to go door to door collecting ticket money at this time. We are also unclear as to how we can make tickets available in the Church in a way that will meet with the Government and Diocesan health and safety guidelines. To deal with both of these concerns it has been decided that for the moment we will not be selling paper tickets for the Lotto draw. There are a number of tickets on our computer system that had been pre-paid before the “lock-down”. We will continue to enter these tickets for the duration of their prepayment and will review the situation again at a later date.

We thank all our promoters and ticket holders for their continued support.

## **Kildare & Leighlin Weekly Lotto Results for Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> July 2020.**

Numbers drawn were 14, 16, 29 & 31. No Jackpot winner. 6 Match 3s won €167 each. Askea/Bennekerry had NO Match 3s. Next week's Jackpot €18,000.
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## A simple gardening project

Now that the weather has broken you don't need to be so attentive to your veg or plants so I am suggesting that you think again about sowing a couple of things just to make things a little interesting. We are still not out of the woods as regards Covid but we at least now we can attend Church and receive.

I am suggesting three items to grow. All grow very quickly, all grow in a very small space, you don't need to dig.

What you need is:

1. A small bucket or clean 2 litre paint tin.
2. A window box or something similar size.
3. A packet of lettuce seed of your choice.
4. Packet of radish seed.
5. About 10% of a packet of marrowfat peas.
6. Some compost

The marrowfat peas are to grow some pea sprouts - they are served in the best restaurants. Simply put the peas into a container like a jam jar and half fill the jar with water and leave overnight. The next day put about two inches of damp compost in the container, sprinkle the peas onto the compost, add another inch of compost on top. Keep it moist and start harvesting in about three weeks. Just cut off the peas when the sprouts are 2 to 3 inches long and eat them, as they are or in salads or stir-fries. High cuisine!

What type of Lettuce do you like?

There are lots of different types.

Iceberg and Cos are not as popular as earlier years. Our tastes have changed as we have travelled abroad more and with the advent of many great restaurants in our country. Popular at the moment are red lettuces and ones tinged red but probably most popular is Mixed Leaves which don't really head like the ones mentioned above. With this type you start harvesting very quickly and repeatedly pull leaves and not the head.

Anyway back to basics.

Get your window box or just box and put in about three to four inches of damp compost. Spread the seed in a straight line (about 18ins) and cover with just a sprinkling of compost.

Do the same with the Radish seeds.

You will do the same three weeks later and every other three weeks.

You can place on a windowsill or outside. An aid would be to place a layer of cling film on the top of the container, creating your own green house. As soon as seeds are up remove the cling film.

Make sure that the compost is damp.

Stick your finger into it and that will tell you.

Think what you have done.

You will provide salad until winter. Salad that has not any chemicals on them and have not travelled from Spain.

Think of the satisfaction to mind and body!

Liam Furlong, Tinryland Parish

## **Garden Produce for Sale**

*The committee of An Gairdín Beo invites you to come and pick your own produce in the garden. Due to Health and Safety Guidelines from the Government you are asked to bring your own carrier bag, scissors and trowel and to observe the signage directions. We plan that the sale will continue every Wednesday in July from 10.00am - 1.00pm .*

*The following produce is now available:*

*Potted and loose herbs, lettuce, garlic, chad, kale, beans, gooseberries, raspberries,*

*Home-made chutney will also be on sale.*

*We regret that there is no parking permitted on site. .*

*We look forward to welcoming you.*

## Faith Poem

God's love sets me free.  
This is my victory song.  
His grace is sufficient for me.  
It is what keeps me strong.

For I'm no perfect man,  
And on my own cannot prevail.  
Sometimes doing the best I can,  
Even will seem to no avail.

Had my share of heartaches,  
Sometimes wondering to what end.  
Made my share of mistakes.  
Over this, I can't pretend.

The struggles may increase,  
But it's no cause for alarm.  
God's thoughts to me are of peace,  
To nurture and not to harm.

I forge on quite resolved.  
God's at work in me for the best.  
I am flawed but fiercely loved,  
And He is not finished yet.

God's perfect plan for me,  
I may not fully understand.  
But trusting, obeying, I'm grateful to be,  
Handled in His loving hand.

## CALENDAR

Monday 13<sup>th</sup>: -**St Henry** (973-1024). He was Duke of Bavaria and later Emperor, a just ruler, humble man of prayer and reformer of the Church.

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup>: -**St Camillus de Lellis**, 1550-1614, rough-tempered and gambler in his early life as a soldier and converted at the age of 25. Guided by Philip Neri he became a priest and worked for the sick with two companions. His Servants of the Sick prospered and founded hospitals where others would not go. Patron of nurses, hospitals and the sick.

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup>: -**St Bonaventure**, 1221-1274, born in Tuscany, Minister General of the Franciscans, Cardinal Archbishop of Albano, theologian of the Council of Lyons.

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup>: -**Our Lady of Mount Carmel**

## THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Wherever you are and whatever situation you're in, there are people nearby who need the kindness and understanding that you have to give them.