

Keeping in Touch

St Mary's Parish, Bennekerry

Sunday 20th June 2021

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

A Time for Everything

For everything there is a season, and
A time for every matter under heaven:
A time to be born, and a time to die.
A time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is planted;
A time to kill, and a time to heal;
A time to break down, and a time to build up;
A time to weep, and a time to laugh;
A time to mourn, and a time to dance;
A time to cast away stones, and
A time to gather stones together;
A time to embrace, and
A time to refrain from embracing;
A time to seek, and a time to lose;
A time to keep, and a time to cast away;
A time to tear, and a time to sew;
A time to keep silence, and a time to speak.
A time for war, and a time for peace.
A time to love, and a time to hate;

extract from The Book of Ecclesiastes

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Anniversaries

Patrick Malone, Rutland

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

K & L Diocesan Lotto Results

for Wednesday 16th June 2021

Numbers drawn were 13, 16, 19 & 32. No Jackpot Winner
3 Match 3s winners get €334 each. Askea/Bennekerry had
NO Match 3s

Winner

Promoter

Next week's Jackpot €20,000.

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.**

Irish Church Music Association Virtual Summer School –'Songs of Love, Faith, Trust & Praise' - July 7th-10th 2021

Streaming on ICMA Facebook and YouTube with workshops Wednesday, Thursday, Friday at 8pm and on Saturday at 2pm, followed by closing Eucharist. No booking required. Free event. An ICMA virtual choir will accompany the summer school. This project is open to all and we hope lots of you will join us for 4 days of music workshops, prayer, and liturgical input as we explore the psalms of love, faith, trust, and praise!

An Gairdin Beo

COME PICK YOUR OWN project starts in An Gairdin Beo on Wednesday 9th of June from 11 a.m. -1 p.m. and will continue each Wednesday for June, July, and August. As well as a limited supply of fresh vegetables potted herbs and. flowers will be on sale.

Some chutneys made from garden produce will also be available.

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, however we ask you to bring your own mug/cup.

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.

Are you being called to the Permanent Diaconate?

Permanent Deacons are ministers of the Word, the altar and service.

Bishop Denis is inviting expressions of interest in learning more about formation for the Permanent Diaconate in the Diocese of Kildare and Leighlin.

The Permanent Diaconate is open to men aged between 30 and 60 who have a genuine sense of vocation to this calling. Deacons are self-supporting and continue in their family lives and secular employment. A new programme of discernment and formation for the Permanent Diaconate in the Diocese will commence in October 2021.

For further information please contact Rev. John McEvoy before Saturday July 31st. Tel: 059 9161114 Email: permanentdiaconate@kandle.ie

'You did not choose me, but I chose you' – John 15:16

The Sisters of Mercy Summer Series

The Sisters of Mercy of the Northern Province, Ireland is delighted to announce a Summer Series of comhthionól ar líne (online gatherings) to mark 50 years since the publication of "A Theology of Liberation" (Teología de la Liberación) by Gustavo Gutiérrez. Please find information on the attached link:

<https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/summer-series-of-comhthionol-ar-line-online-gatherings-tickets-157753560145>

What will ‘Synodality’ mean for Catholicism in Ireland?

ACI Zoom Meeting June 24, 2021, at 8.00 p.m.

Fr Brendan Hoban to speak to ACI on Killala Diocese’s three-year listening process.

‘Placing Faith in Hope’ and Ireland’s *‘Synodal Pathway’*, to begin this year.

Likely to have only *seven* serving priests by 2035 – with only two priests ordained in the past two decades – the western diocese of Killala is now confronted with the ‘cliff edge’ forecast for the Irish Catholic church by the papal nuncio, Archbishop Charles Brown, in 2017.

No one has been closer to Killala’s listening process – *‘Placing Faith in Hope’* – than Fr Brendan Hoban, the diocesan co-ordinator. Faced now with the necessity of moving decisively towards responsible lay parish councils and family-focused Mass and faith formation, how will Killala, and all other Irish dioceses, make this crucial transition?

Fr Hoban is also a founding member of the *Association of Catholic Priests in Ireland*.

What can other dioceses and parishes learn about ‘synodality’ from the Killala experience, now that radical change is certain?

Join us on June 24th – online – at 8.00 p.m.

Admission to the talk is free and registration is not necessary.

Association of Catholics Synodal Pathway Talk No. 2

Time: Jun 24, 2021, 08:00 PM Ireland

Lough Derg 2021

Registration is now open to “Do Lough Derg from wherever you are” from 3rd to 5th July. The Prior, Fr La Flynn, will do the Three-Day Pilgrimage on the Island during these days. To offer a live link by webcam in support of those who will choose to do the pilgrimage wherever they are, some of the Lough Derg staff will do the pilgrimage in St. Mary’s Church in Pettigo. To register or for further information please email info@loughderg.org, telephone 0(0353) 71 9861518. www.loughderg.org

Cycle Against Suicide – Community Buddy Programme

Cycle Against Suicide is inviting community clubs and associations to complete our free 'Community Buddy' Programme and be trained to provide 'Buddy' support in their community.

The Cycle Against Suicide Buddy Programme prioritises peer-to-peer action as a means to identify and help those who may be vulnerable. Our programme trains and equips participants with the practical, hands-on skills and knowledge they need to deliver support to those in mental health distress in their local communities.

Our aim is to train and deploy 'Community Buddies' across Ireland. We invite local clubs and associations that have personnel who are already Garda vetted to nominate themselves to complete our 'Community Buddy' training programme. This training, delivered over 2 days or 4 evenings, is free of charge for your club/association and will equip you to provide much-needed support for those in your community who maybe struggling with mental health distress.

To sign up please visit <https://www.cycleagainstsucide.com/community-buddy-club/>

BOOKS AVAILABLE

Bibles, Catholic Dictionaries, Encyclopaedia of Church History/Theology/Bible. Psychology/Theology/History/Spirituality books. Suitable for parish reading room/library. Summary of titles can be provided or interested parties can call and select.

If interested please contact: Kieran Coughlan, 8 Court lawns, Tullow. 059 9151608 / 087 6283046

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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.

CALENDAR

Monday 14th: - **St Davnet** seems to have lived and died at Tydavnet at Sliabh Beagh, Co. Monaghan. Tradition speaks of St Davnet as a virgin, and she was also regarded as the founder of a church or monastery. A bachall (staff) said to have been hers has been preserved and in past times it was used as a test of truth.

Saturday 19th: -**St Romuald** was a monk who lived a life of strict penance and solitude. He established many monasteries, including Camaldoli. He died in 1027.

Saturday 19th: -**Bl Irish Martyrs. Seventeen Irish martyrs, men and women, cleric and lay**, put to death for the Catholic faith between 1579 and 1654 were beatified by Pope John Paul 11 in 1992:

Dermot Hurley, Archbishop of Cashel, hanged 20th June 1584 at Hoggen Green.

Conor O' Devany, Bishop of Down and Connor hanged, drawn and quartered.

Patrick O'Loughran, chaplain to the O'Neill family.

Maurice McKenraghty, chaplain to the Earl of Desmond, both hanged.

Also hanged were Dominicans **Terence O'Brien** and **Peter Higgins**, Franciscans **John Kearney**, **Patrick O'Healy** and **Conrad O'Rourke**, Augustinian **William Tirry** and a Jesuit lay-brother, **Dominic Collins**.

Lay-people **Frances Taylor**, mayor of Dublin,

Margaret Bermingham died of ill treatment:

A baker, **Matthew Lambert**, and a group of sailors, **Robert Meyler**, **Edward Cheevers** and **Patrick Cavanagh** were hanged, drawn and

quartered on 5th 1581. **Six Catholics of Irish birth** or connection executed for the faith in England had already been beatified in 1929

and 1987: **John Roche (alias Neale)**, **John (Terence) Carey**, **Patrick Salmon**, **John Cornelius (alias John Conor O'Mahoney**, **Charles Meehan**, **Ralph Corby(Corbington)**).

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Give God the gift of your time by helping others, and he will look after the things you care so deeply about.