

# Holy Family Parish, Askea

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Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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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

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## Autumn

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up and dead.

The fallow fields glitter like water indeed,  
And gossamers twitter, flung from weed  
unto weed.

Hill-tops like hot iron glitter bright in the  
sun,

And the rivers we're eying burn to gold as  
they run;

Burning hot is the ground, liquid gold is the  
air;

Whoever looks round sees Eternity there.

John Clare

# Keeping in Touch

St Mary's Parish, Bennekerry

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## Windshield Wipers

[A Story about God's Forgiveness]

One rainy afternoon a mother was driving along one of the main streets of town. Suddenly, her son Matthew spoke up from his relaxed position in the rear seat. "Mom, I'm thinking of something." This announcement usually meant he had been pondering some fact for a while and was now ready to expound all that his seven-year-old mind had discovered. His mother was eager to hear. "What are you thinking?" she asked. "The rain is like sin and the windscreen wipers are like God, wiping our sins away." "That's really good, Matthew", she replied. Then my curiosity broke in. How far would this little boy take this revelation? So she asked, "Do you notice how the rain keeps on coming? What does that tell you?" Matthew didn't hesitate one moment with his answer. "We keep on sinning, and God just keeps on forgiving us."

Isn't it comforting to know that God does keep forgiving us? That all we have to do is trust Jesus as our saviour and He will keep washing our sins away. Hallelujah!!!!

Archive of Homilies

# St Mary's Parish, Bennekerry

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## Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2020 at 7pm

## Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2020 at 11.30am

William and Claire Keating and their son Liam.

Mary and Joseph Doyle, Rutland.

<p><b>Contact Details for the Parish Office</b> You can contact the Parish Office to book Anniversaries at 059 91 42565.</p>
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## CALENDAR

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup>: - **Nativity of The Virgin Mary**

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup>: - **St. Ciaran** was born in Roscommon around 512. He came to Clonmacnois in January 545

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup>: - **St Clover** born in Verdu, Catalonia in 1580, a member of the Society of Jesus [Jesuits] in 1610 he was sent to Cartagena in Colombia and worked for 33 years among the slaves until his death in 1654.

## THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Ask and you seek God, you will find Him-His solutions, His comfort, His direction, His endurance, His wisdom, His love.

**Memory is a wonderful treasure chest for those who know how to pack it.**

## **Eucharistic Adoration**

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

## **K & L Diocesan Lotto**

### **Kildare & Leighlin Weekly Lotto Results for Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2020.**

Numbers drawn were 4, 12, 18 & 21. No Jackpot winner.	
33 Match 3s won €31 each. Askea/Benekerry had 1 Match 3s.	
Winner	Promoter
Pat and Ann Dunne	Una Hade
Next week's Jackpot €20,000.	

**Tickets for the Lotto** will be available from Stewards at the door of the Church. You are asked to complete the ticket and leave it back with the relevant money in the Collection Box at the door of the Church. If you wish to buy a ticket for a number of weeks it is possible to do so this way and we will confirm the dates your ticket will be in the draw.

### **Mass Times for the coming week**

From Monday 7<sup>th</sup> September, 2020 Mass times will be as follows:

#### **Benekerry Church**

Saturday – Mass at 7pm

Sunday – Mass at 11.30am

#### **Askea Church**

Monday to Friday 9.30am. Please note there is no 7pm on Fridays.

Saturday – 7pm; Sunday – 9am, 10.30am and 12 Noon.

#### **Tinryland Church**

Tuesday – 9.30am

Saturday - 6pm

Sunday – 10am

**The Caring Sole** Brid Nolan Hosey DIP Foot Health Practitioner, treatment room or home service available. Contact 087 3459629.

**Grandparents Pilgrimage, Knock Shrine 2020** The 2020 pilgrimage is on Sunday 13th of September at the Shrine of Our Lady of Knock taking place virtually at 3pm at Knock Basilica. This annual pilgrimage is a special day for grandparents and for all of us to acknowledge the great contribution that grandparents make to Church, to family, and to society in teaching and passing on the faith. We invite Grandparents and their families everywhere to join in praying for, and with, each other so that Grandparents everywhere can be honoured and thanked.

### **Getting Back on Track Financially**

Most of us have some level of debt, but when unpaid debt becomes such a burden that it prevents you from getting out of bed in the morning, brings a sense of dread when answering the phone or opening the post, it is time to take control of the situation.

The unfortunate reality is that due to the impact of COVID-19 many more people in Ireland may be struggling to pay their debts having recently lost their jobs or struggling to make ends meet on reduced incomes.

The effects of problem debt on a person's wellbeing and mental health can be severe and can prevent them coming forward for help but there is a solution to every debt problem and this is where the Insolvency Service of Ireland (ISI) can help.

The ISI is the independent government body with four debt solutions to help people with all levels of problem debt - from credit cards to mortgages. It regulates debt advisors called Personal Insolvency Practitioners (PIPs).

You could be insolvent if:

- you can't pay your bills in full when they are due
- You're paying a little off each bill trying to keep creditors at bay
- You've had calls and letters about missed repayments and threats of repossession.

If you are insolvent and in arrears on your home mortgage you could also be eligible for a free consultation with a PIP under the State-funded Abhaile Scheme. The purpose of that Scheme is to help people in serious arrears to find the best available solutions, with the help of professional advisors. The priority will be to find a sustainable solution that keeps a person in their home, where possible.

For more information visit [www.backontrack.ie](http://www.backontrack.ie) or freetext GETHELP to 50015 for a callback.

## **Fruit from the ditches - Damsons**

Damsons look like small plums with the exception that plums are round and damsons are oval. Probably another exception is that you can pick a plum and eat it but most likely you won't do the same with damsons because they are so tart. Damsons have a beautiful purple colour and may be harvested in August.

You can make a very nice jam or a wonderful crumble. One drawback is the amount of sugar you need to add to counteract the tartness. Damsons have a high amount of pectin so are very suitable for making jam. The jam, if refrigerated, can last for about two years, although I have a jar of jam made 8 years ago and has no mould or any other visible defects. The fruit contains quite a large stone which needs to be squeezed out with a spoon when it is cooking.

This jam like a lot of natural drinks etc may not be to everyone's taste but try the damsons and love them or hate them.

## **The Season of Creation**

On Tuesday 2nd September "The Season of Creation was launched by all the Christian churches. This launch was not just Ireland but world-wide. Pope Francis urges sharing, not plundering creation in his message and to live without destroying the environment. The Pope spoke out against acts of looting against God's creation and called on all people to take action to protect God's gifts today, not tomorrow.

### **Season of Creation Prayer**

These days our living pushes the planet beyond its limits.

During this Season of Creation we ask you to grant us courage to observe a Sabbath for our planet.

Strengthen us with the faith to trust in your providence.

In the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

**Killeshin Drive in Bingo**, will now go ahead on September 13<sup>th</sup> / September 27<sup>th</sup> @ 3pm in Killeshin GAA grounds. €3000 in prizes. €500 Jackpot !! Eircode R93XF53. All Welcome!

## **ASKEA Senior Citizens' News**

Our activities have had to be postponed due to Covid-19. Unfortunately we will have to continue with doing this for the foreseeable future. Our Autumn Holiday in October has been cancelled. We will rebook for next year, hoping that we can all be back together again. In the meantime - Stay safe. Mind yourselves. Marian 0599143010.

**An Gairdín Beo** wishes to thank all who visited the Community Garden for our Vegetable Sale during August. The good news is we are continuing our Wednesday Sale every Wednesday during September from 12.00 noon to 1.00 pm. We have a supply of new vegetables now ready. Tomatoes, carrots, parsnips, beetroot, lettuce, potatoes, garlic apples etc. We look forward to seeing you during the coming month.  
An Gairdín Beo committee

**The Priory Institute** Are now taking registrations for the autumn online theology courses. The courses are up to degree level and are heavily subsidised by the Irish Dominicans. They could be just the thing as the nights draw in and we look to an uncertain winter. <https://prioryinstitute.com/>

**South Leinster Money Advice & Budgeting Service**

**Carlow MABS**

72d Tullow Street, Carlow - Tel: 076 107 2070

***Free, independent and confidential***

***Money Management and Advice Service***

Assisting people in dealing with their existing debts and helping them to begin to manage their own resources

***MABS offers free Debt Relief Advice***

*under Personal Insolvency options*

**Money Management Sessions** provided for

Transition/Leaving Cert Students

& Community Groups

## Field Day

The old farmer, nearing death, asked  
To be carried outside and set down  
Where he could see a certain field  
'And then I will cry my heart out,' he said.

It troubles me, thinking about that man;  
What shape was the field of his crying  
Is Donegal?

I remember a small field in Down, a field  
Within fields, shaped like a triangle.  
I could have stood there and looked at it  
All day long.

And I remember crossing the frontier between  
France and Spain at a forbidden point, and seeing  
A small triangular field in Spain,  
And stopping.

Or walking in Ireland down any rutted by-road  
To where it hit the highway, there was always  
At this turning-point an abutment  
A still centre, a V-shape of grass  
Untouched by cornering traffic,  
Where country lands larked at night.

I think I know what the shape of the field was  
That made the old man weep.

**William Robert Rodgers**

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## **1606 TINRYLAND PARISH - REACHING OUT**

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6<sup>th</sup> September, 2020

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**“So in the same way, none of you can be my disciple unless he gives up everything he has.”**

**(LK 14:33)**

For the moment we are unable to distribute the newsletter, a laminated copy will be posted in the Main porch of the Church each week.

If you wish to have a copy of the newsletter emailed to you, please submit your email address to [tinrylandparish@gmail.com](mailto:tinrylandparish@gmail.com), and we will be happy to send on a copy to you.

### Anniversaries:

#### Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2020 at 10.00am.

Leslie Brophy, formerly of Mill House, Rathcrogue – Month’s Mind.

Thomas (Tommy) Farrell, Moyle Big, Carlow

Seamus Hayden, Kilmeaney.

Betty Grogan, Kilmeaney

### Mass Times

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> September

No Mass

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> September

Mass at 9.30am

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> September

Mass at 9.30am

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> September

Mass at 7.30pm

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> September

Mass at 7.30pm

Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> September

Mass at 6.00pm

Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> September

Mass at 10.00am

National Grandparents Pilgrimage – Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2020. Broadcast is live at 3pm from Knock Basilica. Online at [www.knockshrine.ie/watch](http://www.knockshrine.ie/watch)

### FACE COVERINGS

We ask that people would wear Face Coverings in our Church.

### Offertory Collection:

Sunday 30/08/2020

Offertory: €105.00

Envelopes: €557.00

**Kildare & Leighlin Lotto 2nd September 2020** – Numbers drawn: 04,12,18 & 21

No Jackpot Winner. There were 33 Match 3’s who won €31.00 each.

No Tinryland winner. Jackpot next week: €20,000.

**Many thanks to all who support the Lotto and a special thanks to all our promotors.**

**South Leinster Money Advice and Budget Service CLG. (MABS)**

Carlow Office – 72D Tullow Street, Carlow - opening hours 9.00am to 5.00pm.

**Tinryland GFC Lotto 31st August 2020:** Numbers drawn: 05,20,23 & 28 No Jackpot winner. Lucky Dip winners: €25 each: Tracey Doyle, Stacey Doyle, Catherine Farrell and Ned Farrell. Promoters Prize: - E. Byrne. Jackpot next week €5,200.

**Carlow Family Support Group:** You are Not Alone

Drugs and alcohol abuse effects families regardless of status in life. Help is available for those who live with this disease – Call **085 7872730.**

**COVID-19 – Support Line for Older People**

ALONE manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to the outbreak of Covid-19. Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open 7 days per week from 8.00am to 8.00pm by calling 0818 **222024.**

**NETWATCH 2020 – Carer of the Year**

Family Carers Ireland are now accepting nominations for the 2020 Netwatch Carer of the Year. If you know of someone who is looking after a loved one at home and would like to recognize them for everything that they do, you can nominate on line at [www.familycarers.ie](http://www.familycarers.ie) or contact the local office on **056 7721424.**

Nominations are also being accepted for Young Carer of the Year.

Now more than ever it is time to recognize the valuable contribution that family carers bring to Society.

**A Prayer as our Schools Reopen**

Loving God, we ask you to wrap our diocesan school family in a cloak of love and protection as our schools reopen this year. Bless our Boards of Management and Staff as they continue the good work that they have already begun to ensure a welcoming and safe environment for all.

Bless our parents as they again entrust their children to us, confident we can all work together to help them become the very best that they can be.

Above all, god of Love, we ask you to extend your hand of blessing on our pupils as they joyfully reunite with their friends and all in the school community. May they continue to progress in their studies and always know that they are safe, secure and protected in your loving embrace.

We know much will seem very different this year, but, Gracious God, we are confident that through the intercession of our own Saints rigid, Conleth and Laserian, your love and care for each of us will never change. May we show the same love and care for one another in all we do and say this year. Amen



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