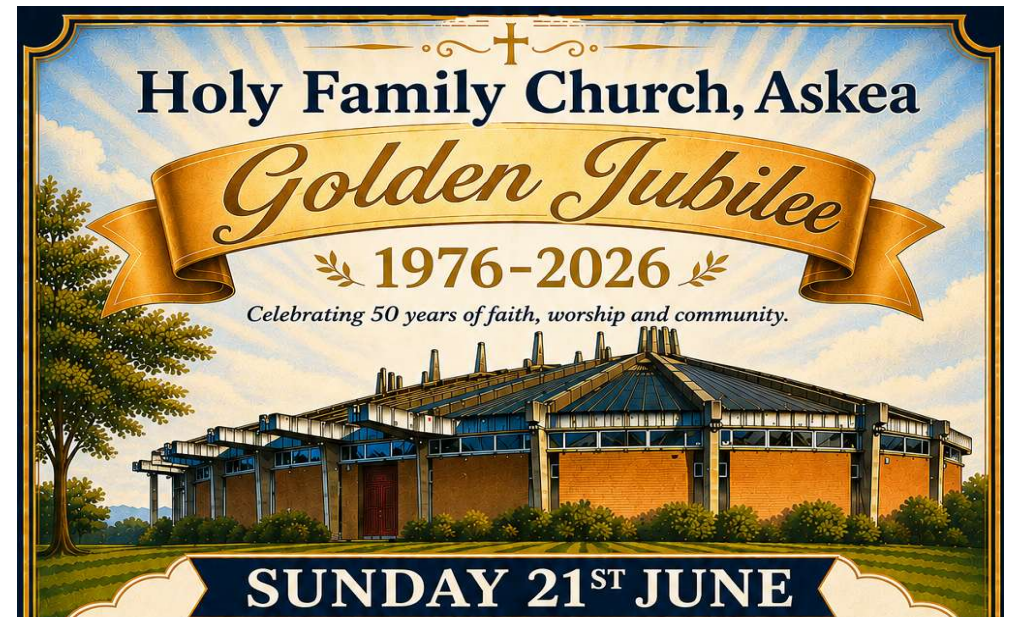


# Holy Family Parish, Askea

21<sup>st</sup> June 2026 Vol 37 No 30 Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time



## Original Team of Builders and Workers from 1976

Architect: C. J. Quinn

Quantity Surveyors: Morrison and Buckley and Associates

Structural Engineer: Ian Bobrowski and Partners

Building Contractor: D and J Carbery Ltd

### Workers

E Horan	N Butler	J Fennelly	T Bolger
J Hutton	B Hutton	C Doyle	E Kehoe
J Chapman	S Hurley	T Brady	E Lawlor
P Bolton	P King	C Rowan	J Flannagan
P Doyle	J Kearns	E Thompson	P Byrne
C Sheehan	J Keating	M McNally	J Kinchan
T O'Neill	A Pluck	J Kehoe	J O'Rourke
M Townsend	E Walker	P Doyle	S Rossiter

# Keeping in Touch

St Mary's Parish, Bennekerry –

21<sup>st</sup> June 2026

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunshine and Bluebells  
Deepest memories float to mind,  
We are walking in the sun,  
Robin redbreast sings his tune,  
As the morning passes by.

Bluebells growing far and wide,  
Shall i pick a bunch or two?  
To give to mum with so much pride,  
I loved those days i spent with you.

Those years, they seem so long ago  
When time was precious, time was grand  
I will remember walking home,  
With sweet bluebells in my hand.

*Jayne Louise Davie*

## **Graveyard Mass 26 June @ 7:30 pm:**

As we prepare for the graveyard mass we hope that as many of parishioners will be able to attend to their own graves and remove dead flowers and pots etc. A special word of thanks to all who keep the grounds of the church looking so well

**Please note mass in Bennekerry will be at 10:30 on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> June.**

# St Mary's Parish, Bennekerry

Fr Tom Little PP - Ph 059 9131559. Fr Tommy Dillon PE 059 9142565

**Deadline for Newsletter items: - 5pm Wednesdays**

Emergency Number for the Priest on Duty 087 2588118.

Parish Office - 059 9142565.

Website: [www.askeaparish.ie](http://www.askeaparish.ie); email: [office@askeaparish.ie](mailto:office@askeaparish.ie)

## **Anniversaries 21<sup>st</sup> June**

Nuala Lawlor, Johnstown

Bridie Kelly

## **CALENDAR**

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> **St Paulinus** 355-431, bishop of Nola in the Caampania.

**St. John Fisher**, 1469-1535, ass and Sst. John's Vice-Chancellor, built Christ's and St. John's Colleges, Cambridge. Bishop o Rochester. His love of truth brought about his death.

**St Thomas More**, 1478-1535, the first commoner to be Lord Chancellor of England. He suffered martyrdom also under Henry v11. Patron of lawyers and those in public life.

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> **The Nativity of St. John the Baptist**

Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> **St. Cyril**, 370-444, patriarch of Alexandria, fought against Nestorianism at the Council of Ephesus, 431, which proclaimed Mary, Mother of God.

## **Thought for the Week**

Never bear more than one kind of trouble at a time. Some people bear three – all they have had and all they have now, and all they expect to have.

Edward Everett (1822-1009)

## **K & L Diocesan Lotto Results draw 17<sup>th</sup> June 2026**

Numbers drawn were 5, 7, 14 & 26. No €20,000 Jackpot winner  
23 Match 3s get €44 each. Askea / Bennekerry had 1 Match 3 winners.

**Winner**

Teresa Kelly

**Promotor**

Margaret Kelly

Next week's Jackpot €20,000. Tickets for the Lotto are available in the Church and can be bought for multiple weeks. You can also call to the Parish Centre during the week to buy a ticket. Tickets must be in by 3pm on Tuesdays.

### **St Catherine's Community Services Centre – Seniors Alert**

**Scheme:** St Catherine's Community Services Centre is accepting applications for the Senior Alert Scheme, which provides socially monitored personal alarms and pendants for older people. The scheme is funded by the Department of Rural and Community Development and administered by Pobal. Applicants must be aged 65 or over. For further details or application forms, contact: Claire Murphy, Older Persons Services Coordinator Phone: 059-9138700 Email: [opmanager@catherines.ie](mailto:opmanager@catherines.ie)

**Handy Man:** available for Maintenance and Gardening. Contact Michael on 085 139 5911

### **Askea Church Golden Jubilee – Song for Askea**

**A**sk and it shall be given to you

**S**eek and you shall find

**K**nock and the door will be open to you

**E**veryone here is so kind

**A**skea has quite a friendly face

Helping us all get along. Thank you Lord that I live in this place, I sing you a happy song. Askea now we are 50 good years we celebrate today, singing our best Alleluias. Finding our voice as we pray.

Harmonising as best we can, searching for notes that are true. Sensing our pride our joy and delight, Dear Askea we owe it to you.

Written by: Sr Cecilia Molloy

**Askea, Tinryland & Bennekerry Parishes Lourdes Pilgrimage:**

5<sup>th</sup> October 2026 for 4 nights. Spiritual Director Fr. Tom Little. €795 per person sharing. Single room supplement €40 per night. Cost includes return flights, 4 nights accommodation half-board basis. For further information please contact Tully's Travel Ltd.059 91 36100 or Askea Parish Office 059 9142565.

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

**Graigecullen Bingo** Tuesday 23rd June 2026 in St. Fiacc's Hall @ 8.30pm. Jackpot on 48 numbers €6,160. Double number €2,000. Lotto €2,500 Bonus Ball €1,800

**Day for Life 2026:** Sunday 21st June, the Church across Ireland celebrates Day for Life on the theme *The humanity of the unborn child*, which invites us to reflect on the wonder of human life from the moment of conception. We remember how the Lord Jesus Christ Himself sanctified and experienced the beginning of life in the world as an unborn child, hidden in the womb of Mary. Mary knew that she was carrying the Son of God - God and man - as soon as He was conceived. John the Baptist leapt in his mother Elizabeth's womb when Mary greeted her. Our Lady treasured Our Lord in her heart and womb until His birth. To read the full bishops' message visit [www.councilforlife.ie](http://www.councilforlife.ie)

**Askea Senior Citizens' News**

June Night Out in Askea Parish Community Centre on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> June at 7 pm. Bingo, music and cuppa. New members welcome. Transport available. Contact: Marian at 059 9143010.

September Holiday is to West Cork, Bookings have started and non-members are welcome, for details contact Marian at 059 9143010

**An Gairdin Beo Café and vegetable stall:** is open every Wednesday from 10.30 am -12.30 pm starting June 24<sup>th</sup> and continuing during the summer months of July and August. We look forward to your visit. Please note there is no onsite parking.

**Part-time Cook required for St. Leo's Convent, Carlow.** The role involves preparing simple home-style meals for a small community of elderly but independent religious Sisters, in a calm and respectful environment. **Requirements** : Cooking experience, HACCP knowledge, reliable and organised. Experience in a care setting/school kitchen an advantage. **Hours** : 20-25 per week (typically 10am – 1pm and /or 4pm – 7pm). **St. Leo's will offer:** daytime focussed hours (no late nights), stable environment, and meaningful work in a supportive community setting. Salary of €16 per hour, membership of the Occupational Pension Scheme and Life Assurance. The full Job Description can be found on ActiveLink.ie Please send a short CV outlining your experience and availability to : [stleohousemgr@mercysouthcentral.ie](mailto:stleohousemgr@mercysouthcentral.ie), or by post or by hand to The Manager, St. Leo's Convent of Mercy, Dublin Road, Carlow R93CX81, to arrive not later than 20<sup>th</sup> July 2026

**Tullow Road Community Development Group - Car Boot Sale:** takes place Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> June 2026, 10 am to 4 pm at Eircode R93 NN29 (Dolmen Celtic FC Carlow Town). Interested in selling contact Sis on 085 7107336, Adults €1 entry, children are free. Whether you are looking for a bargain or want to turn your clutter into cash we have you covered.

**Marian and Jack Doyle** would like to sincerely thank all those who attended and supported their recent Alzheimer's Tea Day in aid of the unit in Bethany House. A total of €2591 was raised.

**South Leinster Money Advice & Budgeting Service Carlow MABS**  
72d Tullow Street Carlow Tel: 0818 072070 *Free, independent and confidential Money Management and Advice Service* Assisting people in dealing with their existing debts, Mortgage arrears 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*

**Peter's Pence Collection**

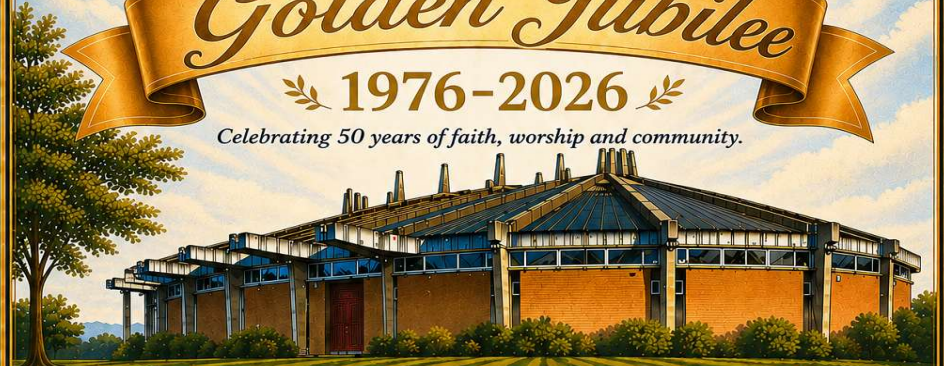
Will be taken up at all masses next weekend.

# Holy Family Church, Askea

## Golden Jubilee

1976-2026

*Celebrating 50 years of faith, worship and community.*



**SUNDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> JUNE**



**THANKSGIVING MASS**  
*Celebrating the*  
**GOLDEN JUBILEE**  
OF THE CHURCH

**12 NOON**



**PARISH PICNIC**

*bring your own food*

- BOUNCY CASTLES
- FACE PAINTING
- LOTS OF OTHER FUN!

**1:15 PM**

**LOTS MORE TO ENJOY!**



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