

Holy Family Parish, Askea

28th June 2026 Vol 37 No 31 Thirteenth 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 & Wed
9.30am, Fri 7.30pm,
Sunday 10am

Deadline for items for
Newsletter is 5pm on
Wednesday by phone to
059 9142565 or email
to
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Website:
www.askeaparish.ie

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 you.

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)

A big THANK YOU to all those who prepared
for, supported and attended our Jubilee
ThanksGiving Mass and Parish Picnic last
Sunday. It was great to see so many people
there on such a wonderful day.

Keeping in Touch

St Mary's Parish, Bennekerry –

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Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Anniversaries 28th June

John Lawlor, Brownhill Avenue

Agnes Broderick, Brownhill Avenue

Geraldine O'Gorman, Green Road, Carlow and
Dungarvan (1st Anniversary)

Elizabeth Lawlor, Burton Hall

Siobhan and Joseph McDonald, Farmerstown Brownhill

Larry Byrne, Ardnehue

We ask the Lord to grant eternal rest to:

Patrick (Paddy) Hogan

and we offer our sympathy and the support of our prayers to all who
have suffered the loss of a loved one, at this time.

Thought for the Week

God looks down well pleased to mark

In earth's dusk each rosy spark,

Lights of home and lights of love,

And the child the heart thereof.

Katherine Hinkson

K & L Diocesan Lotto Results draw 24th June 2026

Numbers drawn were 4, 14, 17 & 20. No €20,000 Jackpot winner
17 Match 3s get €59 each. Askea / Bennekerry had no Match 3
winners.

Winner

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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.

The Two Hearts Communion of Reparation vigils in Carlow
Cathedral has now drawn to a close as Fr. Yanbo is taking up an
assignment in Dublin. Many thanks and blessings to all who supported
the vigils since they started in 2019.

Pope Leo's Intention for July: Respect for human life – let us pray for
the respect and protection of human life in all its stages, recognising it
as a gift from God.

Younity Youth Outreach: 8th Younity Annual Community BBQ, is
scheduled for 1st August 2026, at Graiguecullen Park, Carlow, from
2pm to 5pm. This family-centred gathering is to promote unity, youth
empowerment, and wellbeing through a holistic approach, spiritually,
physically, and mentally.

Parish Secretary: we are delighted to welcome Gillian Hegarty on
board as the parish secretary, based in the Askea Parish Centre. Gillian
brings a wealth of experience and knowledge, feel free to call into the
centre to say hello.

Monthly Mens Rosary Carlow for World Peace on Sat 4th July at
Liberty Tree at 1.30. All are welcome. Enquires.
Medjugorje Carlow Pilgrimage. Sept 9th €895 some seats still
available 7 days. Spiritual Director Fr.Theodore Tomasik. Enquires
Noeleen. 0862415986

Askea, Tinryland & Bennekerry Parishes Lourdes Pilgrimage:

5th 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.

Saint Vincent de Paul (SVP): The next Vincent de Paul monthly collection will be held on Saturday July 4th and Sunday July 5th after each Mass. Thank you all for your support. SVP Carlow.

Graiguecullen Bingo Tuesday 30th June 2026 in St. Fiacc's Hall @ 8.30pm. Jackpot on 48 numbers €6,290. Double number €2,070. Lotto €2,550 Bonus Ball €1,850

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

Carlow Day Care Centre: is hosting a Road Run on Sunday 5th of July, in association with the Irish Vintage Society. All vehicles are welcome with €20 per entry. Registration will take place from 12:15 pm at Carlow Day Care Centre (R93 HK53) until departure at 1 pm. Live music and refreshments served from 2 pm and a generous raffle later in the afternoon. All are welcome to this fun family day

Cemetery Mass 2026: The annual Cemetery Mass will be celebrated in St. Mary's Cemetery on Monday evening, July 13th at 7.30pm. Vehicle access to the Cemetery will be limited to disabled blue badge holders only, between the hours of 6pm and 7pm. No cars will be permitted access to the Cemetery after 7pm to facilitate safe pedestrian access. Cars will not be permitted to leave the Cemetery until all pedestrians have left the Cemetery after Mass has concluded. Ample free car parking will be available at Carlow Youth Centre on Green Lane, Carlow Hurling Club, and St. Lasarian's School. Please follow the direction of Gardai and stewards.

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, or by post or by hand to The Manager, St. Leo's Convent of Mercy, Dublin Road, Carlow R93CX81, to arrive not later than 20th July 2026

"Insights into Dementia – Informing and Empowering Family Carers" in Carlow, This 7-week face-to-face course offers valuable information, practical guidance, and emotional support for those caring for a family member or friend living with dementia. Course Details: Venue: Woodford Dolmen Hotel - Kilkenny Road, Carlow, Ireland, R93 N207 Dates: Monday 31st August 2026 - Monday, 12th October 2026 (once a week for the duration of 7 weeks) Time: 10:30 am-1 pm, Tutor: Eilis Cantwell Registration process:

Complete an Application Form

Applicants can complete the Online Family Carer Training Application Form on *The Alzheimer Society of Ireland, website*. Applications will be acknowledged once received. Applicants will then be added to our waiting list and contacted as soon as a place becomes available.

Await an Invitation

We will contact applicants by email or phone. If no contact details are provided, we will issue invitations by post.

Accept the Invitation and Attend

Invitations are for one person only. Due to high demand and health & safety requirements, we are unable to accommodate additional attendees.

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If you can keep your head when all about you
Are losing theirs and blaming it on you;
If you can trust yourself when all men doubt you,
But make allowance for their doubting too:
If you can wait and not be tired by waiting,
Or, being lied about, don't deal in lies,
Or being hated don't give way to hating,
And yet don't look too good, nor talk too wise;
If you can dream—and not make dreams your master;
If you can think—and not make thoughts your aim,
If you can meet with Triumph and Disaster
And treat those two impostors just the same:
If you can bear to hear the truth you've spoken
Twisted by knaves to make a trap for fools,
Or watch the things you gave your life to, broken,
And stoop and build'em up with worn-out tools;
If you can make one heap of all your winnings
And risk it on one turn of pitch-and-toss,
And lose, and start again at your beginnings,
And never breathe a word about your loss:
If you can force your heart and nerve and sinew
To serve your turn long after they are gone,
And so hold on when there is nothing in you
Except the Will which says to them: "Hold on!"
If you can talk with crowds and keep your virtue,
Or walk with Kings—nor lose the common touch,
If neither foes nor loving friends can hurt you,
If all men count with you, but none too much:
If you can fill the unforgiving minute
With sixty seconds' worth of distance run,
Yours is the Earth and everything that's in it,
And—which is more—you'll be a Man, my son!

Rudyard Kipling