

Holy Family Parish, Askea

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Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sea Fever

I must go down to the seas again, to
the lonely sea and the sky,
And all I ask is a tall ship and a star to
steer her by,
And the wheel's kick and the wind's
song
and the white sail's shaking,
And a gray mist on the sea's face, and
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for the call of the running tide
Is a wild call and a clear call that may
not be denied;
And all I ask is a windy day with the
white clouds flying,
And the flung spray and the blown
spume,
and the sea-gulls crying.
I must go down to the seas again, to
the vagrant gypsy life,
To the gull's way and the whale's way,
where the wind's like a whetted knife;
And all I ask is a merry yarn from a
laughing fellow-rover,
And quiet sleep and a sweet dream
when the long trick's over.

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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
office@askeaparish.ie

John Masefield

Keeping in Touch

St Mary's Parish, Bennekerry

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Fr Tom Little PP - Ph 059 9131559. Fr Tommy Dillon PE 059 9142565
Newsletter Items - 059 9143881. **Deadline for News items: - 9pm
Wednesdays**

Emergency Number for the Priest on Duty 087 2588118.

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Website: www.askeaparish.ie; email: office@askeaparish.ie

Anniversaries 26th July

Mary Cassidy, 45 Kernanstown

Jack Hade, Carlow

Tom Sullivan, Bennekerry

Paul O'Brien, Russellstown & England

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

You can't help someone uphill without getting closer to the top yourself.

K & L Diocesan Lotto Results draw 22nd July 2026

Numbers drawn were 05, 12, 13, 30. There was no €11,000 Jackpot winner. Match 3s get €42 each. Askea / Bennekerry had two Match 3 winners.

Winner

Micko & Dorothy

Rosemary Kelly

Promotor

Parish Centre

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Next week's Jackpot is €13,000. 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.

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

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

Join Carlow Public Participation Network Community: Connect with local groups working to make a difference in 2026. Explore hundreds of member groups in Carlow through the Members Directory on www.carlowppn.ie. Members enjoy free training, updates on local events, funding opportunities and a voice in shaping County Council policy.

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

Saint Vincent de Paul (SVP): The next Vincent de Paul monthly collection will be held on Saturday August 1st and Sunday August 2nd after each Mass. Thank you all for your support. SVP Carlow.

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.

Graiguecullen Bingo Tuesday 28th July 2026 in St. Fiacc's Hall @ 8.30pm. Jackpot on 48 numbers €6,810. Double number €390. Lotto €2,750 Bonus Ball €2,050

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

Disability Equality Training – Carlow: The Carlow Disabled Persons Organisation (CDPO) is inviting members of the public aged 18 and over to attend a Disability Equality Training workshop on Wednesday, 29 July 2026, from 11.00am to 2.30pm in the Milford Suite, Seven Oaks Hotel, Carlow. The session offers an opportunity to learn more about disability equality, connect with others, and take part in informed discussion on disability rights and inclusion. The workshop will be facilitated by Peter Kearns, Development Officer and Paula Soraghan, VOICE Community Development Worker. Those interested in attending are asked to RSVP to peterkearns@ilmi.ie and advise of any access or dietary requirements. Refreshments will be provided.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter is a Catholic movement, now formally recognised by the Holy See — its Statutes were approved by the Vatican on 11 March 2026 in the presence of Cardinal Kevin Farrell. For over fifty years, Marriage Encounter Weekends have helped thousands of couples across Ireland and the world to deepen their relationship with each other and with God, through the gift of communication, renewed commitment, and shared faith. Weekend Details-Venue: Focolare Centre, Curryhills, Prosperous, Co. Kildare. Dates: Friday 2nd – Sunday 4th October 2026. Arrival: Friday from 7:00 p.m., programme concludes Sunday approx. 4:30 p.m. Register at: www.marriageencounter.ie

Youth 2000 Summer Festival: 13th–16th August: Calling all young people aged 16–35! Join us at the Youth 2000 Summer Festival in Newbridge College, Co. Kildare. This is a donation-only event, with free buses available across the country and all meals included. Expect inspiring talks and workshops, Youth Mass, music, prayer, and plenty of opportunities to chill out and meet other young Catholics. Whether you are new to the faith or looking to be refreshed, all are welcome.
To register or find out more, visit youth2000.ie or follow @Youth2000Ireland."

Recovery College Southeast: Are running four short, practical workshops every Tuesday in July, 10:30am – 12:30pm via Zoom:

28th July – Let's Talk Procrastination All workshops are free, open to everyone, and can be attended individually or as a series.

To enrol, contact us at info@recoverycollegesoutheast.com or call 086 1746330.

Askea Senior Citizens' News

July Night Out in Askea Parish Community Centre on Wednesday 29th July at 7 pm. Bingo, music and cuppa. New members welcome. Transport available. Contact: Marian at 059 9143010.

Summer Day Trip on 26th August to Tramore, Waterford. Non members are also welcome, phone Marian on 059 9143010

Holiday to Clonakilty West Cork on 13th September, Bookings have started already for details and to book contact Marian at 059 9143010

Fitness for Older Adults

"Stay active, stay independent"

Improve your balance, flexibility, mobility and strength.

Tuesdays 10-11 am

Thursdays 1-2 pm

Location: Askea Parish Centre

Contact: Shea on 085-2820030

CALENDAR

Wednesday 29th St Martha, sister of Lazarus and Mary, is a woman of faith who made her profession of faith in Christ as the Son of God, and in the resurrection. In welcoming a guest we welcome Christ, we show our Christian spirit of service; and we ready ourselves to be welcomed as guests in the Kingdom of God. Patron of innkeepers, cooks and dieticians.

Thursday 30th St Peter Chrysologus died c 450, bishop of Ravenna, famous for his preaching.

Friday 31st St Ignatius of Loyola, 1491-1556, from the North of Spain, founded the Society of Jesus. By the time of his death, the Society had spread widely and had over a thousand members. His great theme was the service of God and God's greater glory. The experience of his conversion led to his writing of the Spiritual Exercises.

Saturday 1st St. Alphonsus Liguori

1696-1787, from the North of Spain founder of the Redemptorist Congregation, taught much on moral theology and the spiritual life. He is remembered as a popular preacher and influential writer of theology and the spiritual