

Holy Family Parish, Askea

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Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Askea Parish

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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

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Thou art more lovely and more temperate:

Rough winds do shake the darling buds of
May,

And summer's lease hath all too short a date;

Sometime too hot the eye of heaven shines,

And often is his gold complexion dimm'd;

And every fair from fair sometime declines,

By chance or nature's changing course
untrimm'd;

But thy eternal summer shall not fade,

Nor lose possession of that fair thou ow'st;

Nor shall death brag thou wander'st in his
shade,

When in eternal lines to time thou grow'st:

So long as men can breathe or eyes can see,

So long lives this, and this gives life to thee.

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Keeping in Touch

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Newsletter Items – 059 9143881. **Deadline for News items: - 5pm Wednesdays**

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Anniversaries 02nd August

John and Mary Kavanagh, Brownshill Avenue

Eileen Maher, Leixlip and Ardnahue, Bennekerry

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

When you work with God as your partner on the job, you're working with the most multitasking partner in the universe. And he truly can do everything.

K & L Diocesan Lotto Results draw 29th July 2026

Numbers drawn were 12, 18, 20, 27. There was no €13,000 Jackpot winner. 14 Match 3s get €72 each. Askea / Bennekerry had no Match 3 winners.

Winner

Promotor

Next week's Jackpot is €14,000. 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.

Saint Vincent de Paul (SVP): Vincent de Paul monthly collection takes place this weekend, Saturday August 1st and Sunday August 2nd after each Mass. Thank you all for your support. SVP Carlow.

Pope Leo's Intention for August: For evangelisation in the city – Let us pray that in large cities, often marked by anonymity and loneliness we find new ways to proclaim the Gospel, discovering creative paths to build community.

Askea Senior Citizens' News

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

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

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.

Graigecullen Bingo Tuesday 4th August 2026 in St. Fiacc's Hall @ 8.30pm. Jackpot on 40 numbers €700. Double number €460. Lotto €2,800 Bonus Ball €2,100

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.

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

Find peace in a day of Prayer and Adoration. K&L Eucharistic Adoration Committee invites you to join us with Most Rev. Bishop Denis Nulty, Fr Ruairi O Domhnaill, Ms Margaret Brennan & Guest Speakers Ms Una Allen and Ms Mary Connolly. Location: Mount St. Anne's, Portarlinton. (R32 WN59) Date: Sat.29th Aug. 9.30am - 4.00pm. Concludes with Holy Mass 3pm Refreshments on arrival - Lunch 12.30-1.15. Cost €25.00. Booking Essential. Call or Text with name and number of companions to Barbara Kinsella 0861637311

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."

A Talk on Carlow Saints takes place on Thursday 6th August at 6.30 pm in the Carlow Library. This lively presentation is about the quirky history of saints associated with county Carlow. Describing beautiful and little known, locations in the county associated with a surprising number of Carlow saints, author and writer in residence Caroline Busher and Christopher Power, of Carlow Library Service, will describe in fascinating detail this mostly forgotten aspect of our counties history. Using images and unique sources, this promises to be a very interesting event.

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

.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.

CALENDAR

Tuesday 4th:- St John Vianney, 1786-1859, had to contend with poverty, military service and his own intellectual shortcomings in order to become a priest. In 1817 Father Vianney was sent to care for the people of a small obscure French village Ars. The marvellous gift of the unlearned priest for seeing into the depths of the soul brought the world to Ars. From 1830 on, the Curé averaged twelve to sixteen hours a day in the confessional. Patron of priests.

Wednesday 5th The Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major. The Basilica was built by Pope Sixtus 111 after the Council of Ephesus (431). It is the first Church in The West named in honour of The Mother of God.

Thursday 6th The Transfiguration of The Lord

Friday 7th St. Sixtus 11, Pope and his four deacon companions were put to death in 258.

St. Cajetan, 1480-1547, founded the Theatines to renew sacramental life in the Church.

Saturday 8th St. Dominic, 1170-1221, a Spaniard who founded the Order of Preachers (Dominicans) to counteract the Albigensian heresy.