

Holy Family Parish, Askea

11th October 2026 Vol 37 No 4

Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

SEASONS OF OUR LIVES

The flurry of leaves you see
strewn on the floor
They once were my clothes,
that I now wear no more

My outfits change colour
in the blink of an eye
Have you ever noticed,
or do you just walk on by?

For me, as a tree,
my life lived by the seasons
I watch folk walk pass by
for varying reasons

I'm static and silent
but I notice it all
I watch when you're happy
and again, when you fall

If you'll pardon the pun
and take a leaf from my book
Don't fret the small stuff,
it's not a good look

Live every moment as if it's your last
Try to look forward, and not back to the past

Mission Sunday Collection: will be taken up
at all Masses next weekend. Your support is
greatly appreciated.

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059 - 91-42565

Emergency Priest on
Duty

087 2588118

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Askea Parish

Community

Centre Phone

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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

Keeping in Touch

St Mary's Parish, Bennekerry

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Newsletter Items – 059 9143881.

Deadline for News items: - 5pm Wednesdays

Emergency Number for the Priest on Duty 087 2588118.

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Anniversaries 11th October

Mary Carroll, Kernanstown.

Kathleen Murphy, Johnstown.

Pamela Reid, Carlow.

Eddie Cleary, Green Road.

Kathleen Dermody, Kernanstown.

Nancy Hickey, Rutland.

Annie and Patrick Cunningham, Palatine.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

It is our duty as men and women to proceed as though limits to our abilities do not exist.

Pierre Teilhard De Chardin (1881-1955)

K & L Diocesan Lotto Results draw 07th October 2026

Numbers drawn were **02, 09, 19, 26**. No €11,000 Jackpot winner.

Match 3s get €72 each.

Askea / Bennekerry had no Match 3 winners.

Winner

Promotor

Next week's Jackpot is €12,000. 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.

Pope Leo's Intention for October: For mental health ministry – Let us pray that the mental health ministry be established throughout the church. Helping to overcome the stigma and discrimination of persons with mental illnesses.

Firewood for sale: All Hardwood. €200 for a tipper truck load – delivered. Contact 087 274 4241.

Graiguecullen Bingo: Tuesday 13th October 2026 in St. Fiacc's Hall @ 8.30pm. Jackpot on 48 numbers € 2000. Double Number € 670. Lotto € 3300. Bonus Ball € 2600

Annual Remembrance Mass:

St. Luke's General Hospital for Carlow/ Kilkenny Annual Remembrance Mass will take place on Wednesday 21st October 2026 October at 7:30pm in St. Canice's Parish Church, Kilkenny for families and loved ones of patients who have died in our hospital. The Mass, organised by the End-of-Life Care Committee, particularly remembers the patients who have died between 1st September 2025 and 31st August, 2026. The Mass can also be viewed via the following link:

<https://www.stcanicesparish.ie/web-cam/>

All are welcome.

Community Groups: Register your group for free today at communityhub.ie to list your upcoming events and notices in a dedicated space where local people can easily find you. Communityhub.ie is a free service to community groups in your area. It allows for community groups to share what is going on, but also see what is going on around them.

Qualified Social Care Worker: offering reliable, compassionate support in the home, light housework and assistance in the evenings. Friendly and respectful. Contact 085 230 8308.

Breast Cancer Awareness Month: continues until Saturday 31st October. For more information, please visit breastcancerresearch.ie or www.breastcancerireland.com

Carlow County Council: invites applications for the post of Temporary Relief/Substitute School Wardens in Carlow Town. Please contact the Human Resources Section at 059 9129766 for further details.

Living Well Expo 2026: Older people across County Carlow are warmly invited to the Living Well Expo 2026 at the Mount Wolseley Hotel, Tullow, on Wednesday 21 October from 9.30am to 1pm. Come along to meet local organisations, find out about services and supports, and discover opportunities to stay active, connected and informed in your community. Information will be available on health and wellbeing, community supports, transport, housing, digital skills, social activities and more.

Free admission. Everyone welcome. Transport assistance may be available. For further information or to discuss transport options, contact Martha Jane Duggan on 087 214 5262 or email agefriendlycarlow@carlowcoco.ie.

Living Well • Staying Connected • Ageing Positively

Beginners Yoga Class: every Thursday at 7pm in Askea Parish Centre. If you have been considering yoga but are not sure where to start? Pam Butler has 26 years of experience gently introducing people to yoga. Call 086 089 1141 for more information or see pambutleryoga.com/shop for booking details.

Carlow Active Retirement: members meeting will be held on Wednesday October 14th at 2.30pm in Cathedral Parish Centre, College Street. New members welcome.

Flower Arranging Classes: An Gairdin Beo will be the venue for two Flower Arranging Classes with Margaret Collins from Carlow Flower Club. Classes will be held on Tuesday 6th and Tuesday 13th October from 10.30 am to 12.30. List of materials available from An Gairdin Beo or 087 668 2778. Cost 10 Euro per class. No experience necessary.

Advance Notice: Diocesan Sacred Music Workshop for K&L Parish Choirs: Let your local parish choir know! A day long sacred music workshop will take place for parish choir members and directors on Saturday, 21st November in the Cathedral from 11am – 4:30 pm. A hot lunch will be provided and booking will be essential. More details coming soon.

OUTRUN HUNGER 2026:

RUN • WALK • HELP FEED OUR COMMUNITY

Join us for the Outrun Hunger 5K & 10K on Saturday, 17th October at 10am, starting at Carlow Rugby Club,

Oak Park. Registration opens at 8.30am.

ST CLARE'S FOOD KITCHEN NEEDS YOUR SUPPORT

Providing: 150 meals every day and 80 food parcels every week

Your participation helps us continue providing vital support to people experiencing food insecurity in our community.

Whether you run, jog or walk, every registration makes a difference.

5K from €20 | 10K €35 | Family 5K €70

All participants receive a medal and performance T-shirt, with refreshments and prize-giving afterwards.

REGISTER TODAY! At www.popupraces.ie/race/outrun-hunger-2026

Lace up and help us Outrun Hunger!

CALENDAR

11th October:

St Canice was born in Co. Derry around 527 and died in 603. Though his people were poor, he studied at Clonard under Finnian and at Glasnevin under Mobhi. A deep friendship developed between himself and Columba, with whom he worked for a time in Scotland, where he set up a number of churches. In Ireland his principal foundation was in Aghaboe in Ossory, but this was replaced centuries later by his church in Kilkenny.

16th October:

St Gall was a monk of Bangor and set out with Columbanus for the Continent. When Columbanus was exiled from France, Gall accompanied him to Bregenz on Lake Constance. When Columbanus crossed into Italy, Gall remained in Switzerland. He lived in a hermitage, which later became the monastery of St Gallen. He died around 630.

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