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CARLOW BINGO REMINDER

At the Youth Centre, Green Lane, this **Sunday 2nd. April at 3pm.**

€10,000 in prize money. All Full House on Book - €500 / Full House on Jackpot €1,500

Full House on Raffle Game €1000 / Full House on Flyer Game €1000

6 Panel Book €5 / Double Book €10 Plus Bumper Lotto Jackpot

Don't Miss It !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

DON'T FORGET CHRISM MASS 2017

You are warmly invited to join with Bishop Denis for the annual celebration of the **Chrism Mass** in the Cathedral, Carlow on Monday, April 10th at 7:30

followed by a cuppa in Carlow College. Please come early to be sure of a seat!

*Parking available in Carlow College; entrance
opposite Court House on the Old Dublin Road.*

See kandle.ie for map.

VOLUNTEERS AND HELPERS NEEDED

For Parish Bingo & Lotto . We need help in lots of different areas at various times during the week for administration & preparation, sorting of tickets, bingo books, etc., . If you think you might be able to get involved contact the Parish Centre on 059 - 9164087 or one of the Parish Team.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION ON THE 1ST. FRIDAY

(7TH. APRIL) FROM 8AM - 9.30AM.

AND 7PM - 8PM

**IF YOU WISH TO COMMIT TO SPENDING SOME TIME IN PRAYER,
PLEASE SIGN THE ROTA AT THE BACK OF THE CATHEDRAL**

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS THOSE WHO HAVE DIED RECENTLY

Jose Baptista, College Close, Granby Road, Carlow.

May he rest in peace.

Our sympathy to the family and to all who mourn.



CATHEDRAL OF THE ASSUMPTION

NEWSLETTER

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

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A HUMAN HEART

When people read this they say they see that Jesus is a real human being, son of God, God of heaven, man of the earth, weeping over a friend.

His was a human heart. He liked friends and he found a home and a safe place with them, over the hill and away from the mob. We might picture him there - the talk, the chat, the prayers, the love, meals with other friends who dropped in, times of prayer and silence.

The one who can share a laugh, eat a scone, have a drink or a cuppa. The one who'd give a wink at the sign of peace! Not always so serious, even about religion. There's no such thing as a sad saint!

He is a good friend. Friendship gives new spirit.

When life is ending we will give thanks for friends, and regret the way we have drifted or hurt each other. Real friendship is when another's thoughts and life become at least as or more important than our own.

So the resurrection and the life is not just for after death. It is for now. We raise each other up in friendship and in love. In that is the grace of the Lord, himself a friend, for when we love, God lives in us.

Picture your friends and those you love and

Give thanks to God for each of them.

Lord, help me to keep love and friendship alive in my life.

Cathedral Parish
Sunday 26th. March 2017
Dev. Fund €1568
Offertory €1168
Thanks for your support

KNOCK TO NEW YORK
pilgrimage 8th - 14th May

Knock Shrine will lead a historic pilgrimage to New York in May. Flight-only tickets are now available, price €599 (incl. taxes and charges) direct from Ireland West Airport. Full packages are also available which include flights, accommodation and itinerary. Contact Joe Walsh Tours for more information (01) 241 0800 or email: bronwyn.clinton@joewalshstours.ie

PILGRIMAGES
ECHTERNACH LUXEMBOURG

to take part in the historic hopping or dancing procession of St Willibrord at Echternach. St Willibrord trained and was ordained in Co. Carlow in 690AD. The Pilgrimage is from 4th. June 2017 for 4 days. Spiritual leaders: Bishop Denis Nulty and Bishop Michael Burrows. For more information contact Tully's Travel on 059 - 9136100

KILDARE & LEIGHLIN DIOCESAN
PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

Led by Bishop of Kildare & Leighlin Most Rev. Denis Nulty. Pilgrimage Director: Fr Paddy Byrne, from 16th—21st July. Cost €719 single room supplement of €150-€175 (Limited on request) Bookings Cathedral Parish Office

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CHURCH GATE COLLECTION - will take place this Saturday 1st. and Sunday 2nd. April. Thanks for your continued support.

PRAYER VIGIL TO THE HOLY FACE OF JESUS - come and join us at Potato Market, Carlow on Good Friday 14th. April from 12noon - 1pm. All are welcome.

GRANDPARENTS ASSOCIATION - monthly meeting on Thursday 6th. April at 11am in the Cathedral Parish Centre. All welcome.

MASS TIMES
MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Saturday 8th. April
6.15pm Máire Mhic an Fhailí

Sunday 9th. April
8.30am. Michael Curran
11am. Jacinta Lobo
12.30pm Regina Doheny
7pm Rosemary O'Hara

If you are unable to attend
PLEASE APPOINT A SUBSTITUTE
WEEKDAY MASSES - MONDAY TO FRIDAY
7.30AM AND 10AM / SATURDAY 10AM

PALM SUNDAY 9TH. APRIL
Mass begins at 10.45am with the **Blessing of palms**
In the Cathedral Parish Centre
Procession to the Cathedral led by
First Communion children and their parents.

MEDJUGORJE PILGRIMAGE - June 28th. Spiritual director Fr. Ruairi O Domhnaill. September 20th Fr. Michael Duffy O.F.M. Any Leaving Cert students wishing to travel on June pilgrimage are very welcome. For more information contact Noeleen Dunne 0599142670.

THE SAMUEL CIRCLE - is a group of young men who will meet once a month on a Sunday afternoon to explore and discern the vocation to priesthood "Did I not assure you that if you believed you would see the glory of God?" If you think Jesus may be inviting you to the priesthood, contact Fr. Ruairi O'Domhnaill on 059 - 9131227 or vocations@kandle.ie www.kandlepriest.com

LEGION OF MARY MEETINGS - in Carlow Cathedral Parish Centre on **Tuesdays** at 7.30pm.

COLLECTION 1st. & 2nd April to support The World Meeting of Families (which takes place in Dublin on 21st. - 26th. August 2018). This is the second collection date. Envelopes are at the back of the Church. Your support would be appreciated

2nd. April 2017



Lotto Tickets available in Lotto Office across from Cathedral after Saturday evening & all Sunday Masses or at the Parish Centre. Bingo every Friday & Sunday night in the Youth Centre, Green Lane at 8.30pm. All welcome.

Bob's Your Uncle Lotto

Numbers drawn on 26th. March 2017
1 - 2 - 20 - 29
No Jackpot Winner
2 Match 3's share €1000

MARIAN MOVEMENT OF PRAYER FOR PRIESTS - on Tuesday 4th. April at 7.30pm in St. Fiaccs, Graiguecullen. Mass Rosary & Benediction. All are very welcome.

GUIDED PRAYER/MEDITATION - at No. 9 Old Burrin Road (near Fairgreen Shopping Centre) Sessions will be held daily at 11.30am and 8pm Monday to Thursday each week. Wednesday evening at 9pm. You are welcome to come to any of these sessions. No charge. Please contact Eileen at 086 - 3194597.

CATHOLIC GRANDPARENTS ASSOCIATION
1st. Annual Retreat Conference on the 26th. & 27th. April in the Dominican Retreat Centre, Tallaght Village, Dublin 24. For more information contact Connie at 098 - 24877.

PAN CELTIC FESTIVAL - The Celts are coming to Carlow and they're bringing lots of music, singing, dancing, storytelling and family entertainment. It's the Pan Celtic International Festival from **18 - 23 April**. Enjoy the Celtic Taste Market, festival parade, street entertainment, busking and lots more. Full festival programme available now. Also on www.panceltic.ie and on facebook.com/pancelticfestival Bí ann!

O'HANRAHAN'S G.F.C. QUIZ NIGHT - on the 28th April at 8.30pm in Carpenters it's a table of 4 for €40

LENTEN LUNCH - In view of the humanitarian disaster in Africa, the committee has decided to donate the proceeds of this years Lenten Lunch to Trócaire to help in Somalia. We invite people to come for homemade soup & bread on the two remaining Friday's in Lent between 12noon - 2pm to make our contribution worthwhile.

NATIONAL SPRING CLEAN - takes place for the Month of April. If you are a community or voluntary group and are interested in doing a clean-up of your area, we at Carlow County Council can help. Please contact Jannette O'Brien on 059-9136232 or email jobrien@carlowcoco.ie for further information

CLOTHES COLLECTION - Supporting Friends of Calcutta [CHY13218] on Friday April 5th collecting in Cathedral Car Park from 10am-1pm. All items of wearable clothing, footwear etc most welcome. To view a short film which captures the joy of what your generosity to date has supported please visit www.friendsofcalcutta.com

CARLOW LIONS CLUB - Book Sale beside Paul White's Chemist on Tullow Street, for 6 weeks from Monday - Saturday. New Stock daily. Donation of Books very welcome. Contact Des 086 - 2327218 / Frank 087 - 2673748.

FAITH RENEWAL EVENTS - The spring/summer series of Faith Renewal events at Knock Shrine includes a great mix of day retreats and enrichment workshops and a special 'Celebrating Family' day on Saturday 8th April with facilitators Fr Timothy Bartlett and Breda O'Brien. For the full programme of events, see www.knockshrine.ie/faithrenewal or email faithrenewal@knockshrine.ie

21st PIONEER NATIONAL BALL - takes place on Saturday 8th April 2017, in the Sheraton Athlone Hotel, after 6.30pm Mass in St. Mary's Church, Athlone. Tickets €30. Guest Speaker: Jim Bolger. Music by Nite Fever. For tickets/information - contact Brenda Lynch 087-6189411 or Dermot Fagan 085-7201646. For information go to our facebook page: [Leinster Pioneers.](https://www.facebook.com/LeinsterPioneers)

