

### Cathedral Parish

Sunday 10th. February 2019

Dev. Fund €1961

Offertory €1033

Many thanks for your continued support

### CHRISTMAS DUES

For the support of the Bishop and Priests of the Parish may be handed in today and during the next couple of weeks. Envelopes are provided for this purpose in your box & also at the back of the Cathedral. Thanks to all those who already contributed.

### EVENTS

#### Sunday School

The Sunday School runs concurrently with the 11am Mass every Sunday in the Parish Centre except those Sunday's dedicated to the First Communion programme Children ages 5-9 are most welcome to attend

#### YOUTH GROUP

A youth group for ages 15 - 18 is running in the Parish Centre on Thursday evenings from 7.00pm to 8.30pm. All are welcome to attend.

**PRAYER MEETING** - every Wednesday evening in the Cathedral Parish Centre at 7.30pm. All are welcome.

**PRE-MARRIAGE COURSES – ACCORD CARLOW** March 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup>, April 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Couples getting married in spring or early summer 2019 should book their course **now**. Bookings can be made online at [www.accord.ie](http://www.accord.ie) For further information please contact Mary 059 9138738

#### PROCEDURE FOR REQUESTING CERTIFICATES

All persons requesting Sacramental Certificate will have to fill out Form F001 - 1 and will be requested to produce photographic identification. This is in line with GDPR regulations.

### MASS TIMES MINISTERS OF THE WORD

**Saturday 23rd. February**  
6.15pm Michael Curran

**Sunday 24th. February**  
8.30am Anne Archbold  
11.00 am Jacinta Lobo  
12.30pm Maria O'Rourke  
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**

**MEDJUGORJE PILGRIMAGE** - June 6th 2019 €645, Spiritual director Fr Ruairi O'Domhnaill. September 26th. 2019 €675 Spiritual director Fr. Michael Duffy OFM CAP. Early booking €50 off before 1st February. For more information contact Noleen Dunne 0599142670.

**ROSARY AND DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET**  
every Sunday at 3 o'clock at the Statue of Our Lady at Rossmore, Killeshin.  
All are welcome.

**SILENT RETREAT** - 25th. February to 3rd March in St Mary's Knock Co Mayo. Given by Fr Kilian Byrne, Foyer of Charity. THEME: "If you but knew the gift of God". Cost €440 full board. For further information/bookings contact Helen at 086 1678027 or [hellywilliams@gmail.com](mailto:hellywilliams@gmail.com).

**WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER** - in the Community House, Haymarket Carlow on Friday 1st. March at 8pm. All welcome.

**MICHAEL ENGLISH & HIS BAND IN CONCERT IN BALTINGLASS CHURCH** - in aid of St. Joseph's & St. Mary's Parishes, **Thursday 28th February at 8pm**. Doors open at 7pm. Tickets €25 and on sale from the following: Moore's, Grangecon, Patterson's Butchers, O'Reilly Stores, Baltinlass; The Parish Office; Fiona 087 68 64 596; Mick 087 28 75 011; Avril 087 41 19 214; & Ashling 085 76 79 973

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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 10th. February 2019

7 - 21 - 24 - 28

No Jackpot Winner  
5 Match 3's share €1000

**CARLOW COLLEGE** - St Patrick's Book Fair All book buyers and sellers welcome to this public event on Wednesday 27th February, 10am to 7pm For details contact: Dr Thomas Mc Grath, 059 9153200 [vpacademic@CarlowCollege.ie](mailto:vpacademic@CarlowCollege.ie)

**RAMBLING ROVERS** - Walking group in the Youth Centre Green Lane Monday and Wednesday evenings weather permitting at 8pm. Please wear high visibility clothing. Suggested donation of €1 per night. Walk safely in a group and have a laugh and a chat on the way around. All welcome. And bring a friend!!!

**CAREER ADVICE PUBLIC MEETING** - Cllr. Fintan Phelan will be hosting a Career Advice Meeting on Thursday 28th February at 8pm in the Seven Oaks Hotel. If you are applying for an Apprenticeship, filling in your CAO or considering returning to education this public meeting is perfect for you. The meeting will be addressed by Brian Mooney, one of Ireland's leading Guidance Counsellors and Irish Times Education Analyst and Mary Hanafin a former Minister for Education.

**PRO - LIFE** - TD Peadar Toibin, is holding a public meeting **on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> February 7.30pm** in Seven Oaks Hotel Carlow for everyone who feels unrepresented in Dáil Éireann. Peadar recently left Sinn Féin and set up a new political movement called 'Aontú', putting people and the nation first, protecting the right to life and fighting for economic justice.

**CHORAL SOCIETY** - are hosting in association with **Carlow Lions Club** a Music and Social Dance Night. It takes place on Tuesday 26th of February at 9.30pm in the Seven Oaks Hotel, Carlow. Admission €8 from members and on the night. Raffle on the night. Join us for a fun night. Music by John & Terry. All welcome.

**CARLOW ACTIVE RETIRED** - .Holiday in Gleneagle Hotel Killarney 11th. - 14th. March. €190, Deposit of €50 now Balance later at Hotel Contact Noreen on 087 - 6522374

**STRUGGLING WITH ANXIETY OR DEPRESSION ?** Finding Life Difficult? Isolated? GROW is here to help you. Our Mental Health Support groups are free and confidential and open to all, no referral or booking needed. Just come along. Weekly Meeting Time is: Tuesday at 7.45pm Venue: St Catherine's Social Services Centre Joseph's Road Carlow Town Contact: Mary 087 2843424

**ST VINCENT DE PAUL SHOP** - Tullow Street will be closed on Monday and Tuesday so they can complete the shop renovations. Their new furniture store will open at 10am next Wednesday with lots of great bargains. They are looking for extra volunteers so if you would like to work in the shop please phone Alex at 059 9173679 or email [svpshopcarlow@gmail.com](mailto:svpshopcarlow@gmail.com)

**CARLOW FLOWER CLUB** - Carlow Flower Club will welcome acclaimed gardener Frances MacDonald from the beautiful Bay Garden in Camolin on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> February 19th. at 8pm in the Woodford Dolmen Hotel Entry fee €7 for visitors

**HOME INSTEAD SENIOR CARE – Caring people needed** –Kildare/Laois/Carlow/Kilkenny Area's. - We are seeking compassionate, dependable and experienced Carers to assist our clients with day to day living activities including companionship, light house-keeping, meal preparation, transport and assistance with personal care needs. Flexible hours. Care qualifications and Patient Moving and Handling Experience Desirable but not essential as Full Training can be provided. Fluent English. Please call 045-446593 or email [agnes.moloney@homeinstead.ie](mailto:agnes.moloney@homeinstead.ie)

### PARISH TEAM

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## CATHEDRAL OF THE ASSUMPTION NEWSLETTER

THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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### ACCOMMODATION REQUIRED FOR THE NATIONAL PLOUGHING CHAMPIONSHIPS: 17TH - 19TH SEPTEMBER 2019

In September 2019 up to 280,000 people will visit Ballinrane, Fenagh, County Carlow for the National Ploughing Championships. While local hotels, self-catering premises and B&B's will cater for many visitors, there is a definite requirement for additional accommodation in the County Carlow area. If you have a house or room available to rent at reasonable rates and would like to support the National Ploughing Championships, please register your interest on: [www.carlowtourism.com/](http://www.carlowtourism.com/) [submityourproperty](mailto:submityourproperty) Alternatively contact Carlow Tourism on 059-9130411 or [info@carlowtourism.com](mailto:info@carlowtourism.com) for further details.

### CARLOW BINGO REMINDER

At the Youth Centre, Green Lane, on **Sunday 3rd. March 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 !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!**

### BOX OF ENVELOPES FOR OUR DEVELOPMENT FUND

are now available at the back of the Cathedral. Please take one.  
**Please place your name on at least the first envelope you use.**  
This will enable us to record your number. This is important because our parish can then claim 33% tax back on your total yearly donation, and so your contributions can be maximised.  
**Your donations will be treated with the utmost confidentiality.**  
**Thank you for taking a box and for your continued support.**

### REFLECTION

What's so great about being poor, or hungry, or sad? On the surface, these Beatitudes of Jesus seem very strange; "*How happy are you who are poor*". Surely it is better to be wealthy, to be well fed, and to enjoy good times - or to at least be comfortable and content? But Jesus is not interested in comfort, or in maintaining the status quo. The Jesus of Luke's Gospel is something of a revolutionary. He has come to turn the social order on its head: last becomes first and least becomes greatest. His concern is always for the poor and marginalised.

Jesus' vision is of a world where the unjust structures that cause poverty, hunger and oppression are swept away. Sadly, as we hear on the news every day, inequalities in our world with regard to wealth, education, health and opportunities remain as stark as ever. Speaking about how we can tackle injustice today, Pope Francis has offered six "*new Beatitudes*" for the modern Christian. Like the teachings of Jesus, they remind us that the task of the Christian is to tackle injustice and to act in solidarity with those on the margins of society. **Pope Francis "new Beatitudes" include:-** Blessed are those who renounce their own comfort in order to help others. Blessed are those who look into the eyes of the abandoned and marginalised and show them their closeness. Blessed are those who protect and care for our common home.

Triona Doherty, Intercom

**MONTHS MIND** - For Fr. John Cummins will take place on Sunday  
3rd. March at 11am in Carlow Cathedral