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## CATHEDRAL OF THE ASSUMPTION NEWSLETTER

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

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#### TURAS COLUMBANUS/COLUMBAN WAY

During the month of June a French layman, Simon Derache who is a member of the Friends of St. Columbanus in Luxeuil, France is coming to Ireland to walk the entire pilgrim route of the Turas Columbanus/Columban Way from Bunclody, Co. Wexford to Bangor, Co. Down, some 620 km. He will set out from Bunclody on Monday 5th June and hopes to finish in Bangor on 24th June.

This is part of an initiative by the Associations of the Friends of St. Columbanus across Europe to promote the Columban Way as a pilgrim route to connect peoples in the eight countries where Columbanus journeyed and made an impact at the end of the 6th and beginning of the 7th century. The initiative of getting the Turas Columbanus/Columban Way up and running responds to a growing population who are looking to do pilgrim walks as a way to deepen their faith and engage with a diversity of situations.

Simon is planning to arrive in Carlow on the evening of Tuesday 6th June. He will be walking from Myshall.

We would appreciate if members of the parish community could welcome him and if there were anyone willing to offer him accommodation for the night. The Knights of Columbanus and Carlow Tourism are also aware of his visit.

Contact the Parish Office 059 - 9164087

#### CONGRATULATIONS

To the boys and girls from Bishop Foley, Scoil Mhuire and Educate Together who made their **Confirmation this weekend, on Saturday 27th May**  
We ask you to remember them in your prayers.

#### WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS THOSE WHO HAVE DIED RECENTLY

**Catherine** Smith, Dublin Road, Carlow.

**May she rest in peace.**

**Our sympathy to the family and to all who mourn.**

#### REFLECTION

##### The Ascension of the Lord.

This feast shows us the goal of our earthly journey.

It is a goal that defies our imagination,

and that gives an eternal dimension to our lives.

However, we know nothing of the mystery of the beyond.

All we have are the words of Jesus:

‘Where I am, you too will be.’

Lord, grant that the glitter of this world

may not dim our hopes of eternal glory.

And by your unceasing care,

guide our steps towards the life of glory.

*New Sunday & Holy Day Liturgies (Flor McCarthy SDB)*

**Cathedral Parish**  
Sunday 21st. May 2017  
Dev. Fund €1809  
Offertory €1172  
**Many thanks for your continued support**

**DIOCESAN COLLECTION FOR THE RETIRED PRIESTS 27TH. / 28TH. MAY 2017**  
We are appealing for your support for this collection which is being held for the fourth time in this diocese. We thank people for their on-going contributions for priests' collections and in particular for their support for this collection for our retired priests.

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

**EXAM STUDENTS** - will be prayed for at all Masses on Sunday 4th. June. As in previous years, there will be a special Mass for all exam students on the morning of 7th June at 8.15am. All welcome.

**CLONFERT** - Saturday 3rd June, Bus leaves Tullow Car Park at 10am via Killerig Cross, Closh Stores & Barrack Street, Carlow. Bring packed lunch. Reservations Lily 9151245

**ST VINCENT DE PAUL CHURCH GATE COLLECTION** - will take place next Saturday 3rd. and Sunday 4th. June. Many thanks for your continued support.

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS ROTA** - for June, July, August and September in the sacristy for collection. Please collect rota in the Sacristy.

**KILDARE & LEIGHLIN DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES**  
16th. - 21st. July 2017 from €719 booking details from Joe Walsh Tours 01 - 2410810.

**MASS TIMES**  
**MINISTERS OF THE WORD**

**Saturday 3rd June**  
6.15pm Annie Neville

**Sunday 4th June**  
8.30am Catherine O'Hare  
11.00 am Anne Brennan  
12.30pm Debbie Robinson  
7pm Hazel O'Connor

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

**SOLEMN NOVENA** - Graiguecullen/Killeshin in St Clare's Church Graiguecullen for 9 Monday nights from 24th April - 19th June 2017. Time 7.30pm (Rosary 7.10pm) Singing will be led by Fr Liam Lawton, accompanied by the Poor Clare Community and the Parish Choirs.

**Monday 29th. May Speaker:** Alice Kearns, Mother of missing schoolboy Philip Kearns.

**THE SAMUEL CIRCLE**—" They received the Holy Spirit." The Blessed Virgin Mary intercedes for your faithfulness to the vocation to which the Spirit is leading you. If you think God may be offering you the grace of serving Him and His people as a priest call: Fr Ruairi O'Domhnaill vocations@kandle.ie, www.kandlepriest.com

**CARLOW WOMEN'S AID COFFEE MORNING**  
At the O'Brien Centre, Old Dublin Road (Near Garda Station) on Saturday 3rd June 11am—1pm. Carlow Women's Aid provides information and support to women and children affected by domestic violence. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

**REHEARSAL** - for all those choir members who are going on the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes, on Thursday, 8<sup>th</sup> June in The Church of the Irish Martyrs, Ballycane, Naas at 7.30pm - 9.30pm.

**ECHTERNACH LUXEMBOURG** - We wish the pilgrims and Scoil Mhuire School band travelling to Echternach on Sunday 4th. June a safe journey. Please keep them in your prayers.

**28th. May 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 21st. May 2017  
5 - 14 - 16 - 20  
No Jackpot Winner  
4 Match 3's share €1000

**FREE INTERNET AND EMAIL COURSES** - for beginners on Computer, Smartphones or Tablets. Courses currently being organised in various locations around the county, if you are interested in enrolling yourself or arranging some FREE training for a group you are involved with, please contact Andrea Dalton in St Catherine's Community Services Centre on 059 9138706 or email andread@catherines.ie

**CARLOW REGIONAL YOUTH SERVICES** - are taking volunteer applications for leaders for our Summer Camps. Leaders need to be aged 16+ and be available for training from the 4th - 6th July. For an application form please ring 059 9130476. Carlow Camp runs the 10th - 14th July for children aged 5 - 12 years. Registration evening is Thursday the 25th May from 6.30 - 7.30pm at the Vault, Burrin St, Carlow.

**RELAY FOR LIFE 2017** Would you take 24 hours out of your time to help raise much needed funds for The Irish Cancer Society. Giving hope, care and respite to those who need it. Test your endurance against other local clubs in a 24 hour team event. 17th & 18th June, Ducketts Grove, Carlow. Register now by email: [info@relayforlifecarlow.ie](mailto:info@relayforlifecarlow.ie) or phone [085-7796359](tel:085-7796359)

**IRISH HEART FOUNDATION** - Stroke Support Group in the Sacred Heart Hospital at 2.30pm the 2nd. Friday of every month and in Kilkenny last Friday of every month at 2.30pm in the cardiac Rehab Unit of St. Luke's Hospital. All stroke survivors, family members and carers are welcome.

**TROCAIRE BOXES**

May be handed into the Sacristy or the Parish Office. Thank you for your support.

**SALLY ASHMORE, NOREEN MADDEN and HELEN O'MEARA** will be exhibiting their paintings and drawings in the Cathedral Parish Centre, College Street, Carlow from Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> June to Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> June from 11 - 6 daily. Preview evening from 7.30 on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup>.

**BARNARDOS CHARITY SHOP** Volunteer Shop Assistants required for Barnardos Charity Shop, Carlow Town, Monday to Saturday, approx. 4 to 8 hours per week, mornings and afternoons shifts available. If interested please call Suzanne in Barnardos Volunteer Service, tel: 01 7080431 / 086 8570112 or email: [volunteers@barnardos.ie](mailto:volunteers@barnardos.ie) When you work in a Barnardos shop you are helping to make an important contribution to the work Barnardos do with vulnerable children across the country, as the money raised in our shops helps fund their work with vulnerable children.

**CARLOW COLLEGE OF MUSIC** Summer Concert with Carlow Junior Orchestra, Sing Aloud & No Strings Attached, Thursday 1st June 7pm, Gaelscoil Eoghain Ui Thuairisc. Admission €5 per family.

**OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS** - meeting in St. Catherine's, St. Joseph's Road on Mondays at 6.30pm for people with eating disorders Enquiries 01 - 2788106. [www.overatersanonymous.ie](http://www.overatersanonymous.ie) for more info.





