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## CATHEDRAL OF THE ASSUMPTION NEWSLETTER

THE NATIVITY OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

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## WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES 2018

### FOR THE FINAL MASS OR KNOCK

**Tickets are free and will be available from [www.worldmeeting2018.ie](http://www.worldmeeting2018.ie) on 25th June 2018.**

You will need a ticket for the event at Phoenix Park. From the 25th of June, book your ticket through an online form on [www.worldmeeting2018.ie](http://www.worldmeeting2018.ie). Your ticket will be sent to you by email closer to the event. You must choose which event you would like to attend – Phoenix Park or Knock. You will not be able to get tickets for both. The Mass is a free event but you will need a ticket to gain entry. Every adult and every child attending will need a ticket. Under 18s must be accompanied by an adult.

### ONE DAY BOOKING FOR RDS CONGRESS

we are now informed by WMOF that one day booking for **Wednesday and Thursday** is still available but very limited. SO if you intend making a one day booking it should be done as soon as possible

### Carlow MABS Ltd

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

Liam Comerford, 4 Strawhall and 13 Bestfield, Athy Road, Carlow.

**May he rest in peace.  
Our sympathy to the family and to all who mourn.**

## REFLECTION

Today we celebrate the birth of John the Baptist and listen to Luke's account of his nativity. John's story is one of sacrifice and humility. His parents know there will be something very special about this child. The circumstances surrounding his birth already have people amazed. Jewish historians account that John was a preacher around the time of Pontius Pilate who went around calling people to renewal! He spent a lot of time in the wilderness, eating wild things and wearing sackcloth. He must have been a very interesting and attractive figure as we are told in the gospels that people flocked to the River Jordan to be baptised by him; a sign of their repentance or renewal of relationship with God. John gathered so many followers around him that he was considered a threat to Herod Antipas who feared he might begin a rebellion, John was a preacher, a prophet, a signpost pointing people in the right direction: towards Jesus of Nazareth.

We can pray today for all those people who acted as signposts in our lives and brought us closer to God in some way, those who guided us and pointed us in the right direction when we needed it. We too are called to be signposts for others.

*"Lord, we thank you for people who guided us, but did not try to possess us; parents, teachers, spiritual guides, friends. For a time we stood with them. Very simply, like John the Baptist, they said to us, "Look, there is the one you should follow," and hearing this we followed that person." (Michael De Verteuil)*

**Taken from Intercom - Jane Mellett**

**Cathedral Parish**  
Sunday 17th. June 2018

Dev. Fund €1933  
Offertory €2566

Many thanks for your continued support

**SUMMER DUES**

For the support of the Bishop and Priests of the Parish may be handed in today & during the next couple of weeks. Envelopes are provided for this purpose in your box & also at the back of the Cathedral. The collection on Sunday 1st. July is for the support of the Bishop and Priests of the Cathedral Parish. Thanks to those who have already contributed.

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

*'Can you not watch one hour with me?'*

Eucharistic Adoration

In the new Chapel (in the Sacristy) 6pm - 9pm each evening Mon - Fri. Entrance Via Cathedral Car Park. At 8.40pm each evening a prayer for Families followed by the Chaplet of Divine Mercy recites for our Bishops & Priests, vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

**ST VINCENT DE PAUL CHURCH GATE COLLECTION** - will take place this Saturday 30th. June and Sunday 1st. July. Many thanks for your continued support .

**MEDJUGORJE PILGRIMAGE** - June 27th Spiritual Director Fr Ruairi O'Domhnaill. September 12th. Fr. Eugen Dragos Tamas. For more information contact Noleen Dunne 0599142670.

**BALTINGLASS PARISH FUN DAY** -, Sunday 22nd July 2-5 pm. St Joseph's Parish Centre Grounds. Entertainment, Face painting, fun activities etc. Bring a picnic. All are welcome.

**OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS** - Extra volunteers are required to assist with collecting the bags for the Development Fund and Offertory Collections at all of the weekend Masses. If you feel you can assist, either on a regular or occasional basis, please call Richard on 087 - 2745875 or give your contact details to the Parish Office 059 - 9164087. Thank you.

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

**Saturday 30th. June**  
6.15pm Declan Keenan

**Sunday 1st. July**  
8.30am Anne Archbold  
11.00am Deirdre Rush  
12.30pm Debbie Robinson  
7.pm Rosemary O'Hara

**If you are unable to attend**  
**PLEASE APPOINT A SUBSTITUTE**  
**WEEKDAY MASSES - MONDAY TO FRIDAY**

**KILDARE & LEIGHLIN**  
**DIOCESAN**  
**PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2018**

Led by the Bishop of Kildare & Leighlin  
Most Reverend Denis Nulty  
16th July 2018 / 5 Nights  
Cost €739 per person sharing  
For bookings contact: Joe Walsh Tours  
PHONE: 01 - 2410802  
EMAIL: info@joewalshstours.ie

**DATES FOR THE DIARY**

**July 9th:** Annual Cemetery Mass in  
St Mary's Cemetery at 7.30pm

**COMMUNION FOR THE HOUSEBOUND** - Any housebound person who would like a priest to visit on a regular basis please contact the Parish Centre on 059 - 9164087

**IRISH WHEELCHAIR ASSOCIATION** - are holding their National Bag Pack in your local Tesco store on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> & Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> July. Can you volunteer just 2 hours? Register to volunteer at [www.iwa.ie/tesco](http://www.iwa.ie/tesco) or call 046 9072539. Thank you.

**ROSARY AND DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET** Every Sunday at the Statue of our Lady Grotto, Rossmore, Killeshin at 3pm. All are welcome.

**24th. June 2018**



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 17th. June 2018  
8 - 26 - 28 - 30  
No Jackpot Winner  
1 Match 3's share €1000

**FREE MATTRESS DISPOSAL SCHEME** - Carlow County Council are offering you an opportunity to dispose of old mattress for free and be assured that they will be recycled!!!! You can drop your old mattress into the Old Perry's Car Park site, Kennedy Street, Carlow on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> June 10am -4pm *Please be advised of the following:* This offer is open to Households only. For further information please contact 059-9172480 or Email [enviro@carlowcoco.ie](mailto:enviro@carlowcoco.ie)

**EVENING OF LOVE SONGS & ARIAS** in St Marys Church, Castle Hill, Carlow on Wednesday July 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7.30pm. Night will feature works by Brahms, Mozart, Donizetti, Wagner and many others. Local soprano Kathleen Nic Dhiarmada will be joined by Sarah Kilcoyne, Oisín O'Dálaigh, Kevin Neville and pianists Aoife O'Sullivan and Aoife Moran. Tickets €20 available on the door. **Proceeds to Carlow County Hospice Committee**, your support would be appreciated.

**COLLECTION & RAFFLE FOR MOTOR NEURON DISEASE** - in the Cathedral Parish Centre on Thursday 28th. June after 10am Mass. Your support would be appreciated.

**CARLOW FIBROMYALGIA SUPPORT GROUP'S** - next meeting is this coming Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> June in the Talbot Hotel at 7.30pm. We will be joined by Pat from the Wellness Centre. He will be talking about different types of holistic therapies that may be of help in managing fibromyalgia. Contact details - [fibrocarlow@gmail.com](mailto:fibrocarlow@gmail.com) phone: 089 4387283

**FOR UP TO DATE INFORMATION**

on events in our Parish log on to [www.carlowcathedral.ie](http://www.carlowcathedral.ie) or join Carlow Cathedral Parish on facebook.

**AN GAIRDÍN BEO** - are having their next Community Cafe morning on next Tuesday 26th of June in the 'Stables' from 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

During the month of June all have enjoyed the community gatherings, our home made produce and the fresh organic vegetables. You are very welcome to come next Tuesday and bring a friend. A stroll around the wild areas, Therapeutic/contemplative space and the Growing Hub will benefit both body and spirit.

**THE FRIENDS OF THE DISTRICT HOSPITAL CARLOW** - are having a coffee morning and cake sale at the newly refurbished District Hospital on Friday morning 29th. June from 11am - 12.30pm. We would love for you to join us for a coffee and a chat.

**CAMPA & COLÁISTE SAMHRAIDH** - Some places are available in both the Summer Camp 'as Gaeilge' for primary school children and in the Irish Summer College for post primary students. Both will take place in Carlow from Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> - Friday 6<sup>th</sup> July. To book a place contact 087 2857048, 085 1340047 immediately or download application forms from [www.glorcheatharlach.ie](http://www.glorcheatharlach.ie)

**CARLOW REGIONAL YOUTH SERVICE** - We have vacancies for After School Workers and Teenage Youth Support Workers on our DSP CE Programme. If you are interested in working with children or teenagers and can work afternoons / evenings for 19.5 hours please contact Lisa/Marie on 085 2101494. We are also still taking registration for our Summer Camp which is on from the 9<sup>th</sup> - 13<sup>th</sup> July 2018.