

Sunday, 17th March 2024.

St. Patrick's Day

Fifth Sunday of Lent

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Baile áit a bhfuil an croí.....

Home is where the heart is.....

St. Patrick, like Philip and Andrew in today's Gospel desired the Lord. God made his home in Patrick; Patrick made his home in God. God wishes to make his home in us!

"I will be their God, and they will be my people." (The Prophet Jeremiah)

St. Patrick confessed; "The Lord made me aware of my unbelief that I might at last advert to my sins and turn wholeheartedly to the Lord my God.

He showed concern for my weakness and pity for my youth and ignorance; he watched over me before I got to know him and before I was able to distinguish good from evil. In fact, he protected me and comforted me as a father would his son." (St. Patrick; Confessio #2)

O Spirit of God, you inspired St. Patrick, inspire us, may we know your presence in our lives and your peace in our hearts, and like St. Patrick radiate your peace by our witness to Christ!



Christ be with me, Christ before me,
Christ be after me, Christ within me,
Christ below me, Christ above me,
Christ at my right hand, Christ at my left,
Christ in the heart of every man who thinks of me,
Christ in the mouth of every man who speaks to me,
Christ in every eye that sees me,
Christ in every ear that hears me.

Lent at the Cathedral

Holy Hour each Friday evening of Lent 7pm – 8pm

Meditation with Noel Keating and Marian Gaynor, Mondays 7-7.45pm Cathedral Centre

Parish Biblical Studies Group with Dr Amelia Fleming, each Friday 10.30am to 12noon Cathedral Centre

Parish Lenten Retreat Day - Parish Centre, Saturday 23rd March 11am-4pm

Lenten Adoration: Monday to Thursday—7pm to 9pm Stations of the Cross: each Monday after 10am Mass

Prayer and Mass in the Cathedral

Sunday: 8.30am, 10.30am, 12.30pm and 7pm Monday: 10am, Tuesday to Friday: 7.30am, 10am Saturday: 10am and 6.15pm Vigil

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday following the 10am Mass

Parish Lenten Reflection Day

Organised by the Parish Pastoral Council
Cathedral Parish Centre, Saturday 23rd March 11am to 4pm
Guided by Sr. Carmel McEvoy, Teach Bhride, Tullow and Fr. Martin Smith SETU.
All are invited to this gentle day of reflection and prayer.
You are requested to book your place before Thursday,21st March.
Booking is essential to plan catering for the day.

We remember in our prayer

John (Jack) Sheehan

32 Avondale Drive, Hanover, Carlow Town

May Jack rest in peace

May his loved ones and all who mourn be comforted

Peace Mass in Carlow Cathedral

Thursday 21st March, at 7p.m. Starting with Rosary, Divine Mercy, followed by Mass.

Our World needs Our Prayer. "I Have No Hands But Yours". ************

ST. LEO'S COLLEGE NEW BUS FUNDRAISER

"Make a dent with your copper cents". St. Leo's College is appealing to the community of Carlow for assistance in their fundraising for a New School Bus. We call on all households to donate any copper coins to our appeal. Donations can be delivered directly to St. Leo's College administration office and all will be greatly appreciated.

National Eucharistic Adoration Pilgrimage to Knock:

www.stleoscarlow.ie

Calling ALL ADORERS of the Blessed Sacrament in Kildare & Leighlin Diocese for the National Eucharistic Adoration Pilgrimage to Knock on Sunday, 14th April 2024. Please ring 086 1637311 (Barbara Kinsella) to enquire or book a seat. Full bus details on www.eucharisticadoration.ie.

Carlow Flower Club

Flower Club for March will be a treat with a demonstration from entertaining and renowned horticulturalist and flower arranger Malcolm Kitt from Cobh. The competition for all categories on the night will be "An Easter Basket". Demonstration will take place in the Woodford Dolmen Hotel on Tuesday, 26th March at 8.00pm Non-members fee €10. ************

Special Kildare Pilgrimage to Fatima

Pilgrimage 9th-14th August EX Dublin. Mass in Santarem where bleeding host took place, visit visionaries' homes, Hungarian Stations of the Cross. Lisbon with church of Saint Anthony where he was born and baptised, seaside excursion.

> Payments can be made by instalments. Contact James Treacy 061921470 or Email: jamestreacyphotography@gmail.com

HAPPY SAINT PATRICK'S DAY FROM THE PARISH TEAM!!!!



Cathedral Collections

Last Weekend Offertory € 1493.79 Development € 1550.02

Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Chrism Mass

Bishop Denis invites you to join him for the celebration of the Chrism Mass. It will take place in the Cathedral of the Assumption in Carlow on Monday, 25 March, at 7:30pm. At this diocesan Mass, the holy oils are blessed and consecrated for use in parishes in the coming year and the priests of the diocese renew their priestly promises. The diocesan choir will lead us in singing, for the first time, the newly composed Mass of St Brigid by Fr Liam Lawton.

Easter Food Appeal

Tesco Fairgreen Carlow; we are hosting our three-day Easter Food Appeal on Friday, 22nd Saturday 23rd and Sunday 24th March between 11am and 6pm. They are asking their customers to purchase any items of non-perishable food which will be donated to a local charity.

They are giving all the food donations to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, Carlow. Vincent de Paul are looking for helpers to sit and supervise the collection trolley at Tesco on the above dates.

If you are available for an hour on any of the dates, please text Gerry at 085 1518160 and he will contact you to arrange a time. Thank you.

Féile na Beatha, Carlow's Spring Festival of Living

March 19th 2024

The Féile will include:

The Annual Famine Walk from SETU, Kilkenny Rd, to the Famine Graveyard on Green Road at 12pm. Learn about the local Workhouse, the impact of An Gorta Mór on the Carlow region and the continuing relevance of the Great Hunger for our world today, through spoken word and music. All welcome.

From Hurt to Healing to Solidarity. A Gathering to reflect on An Gorta Mór, causes of hunger today, and the importance of global solidarity.

Talk by Dr Iain Atack and music by our very own Eric de Buitléir. 7pm – 9pm. Haughton Building, SETU, Kilkenny Rd. All welcome More information from Fr Martin at 059 917 5612 or martin.smith@setu.ie

Bob's Your Uncle Lotto

Next Jackpot

€8,000

Sunday 10th March 2024

No Jackpot Winner

7-9-10-11

5 Match 3 Winner's share €500.