

Sunday, 4th August 2024.

18th Sunday of Ordinary Time
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Seeking True Sustenance: Embracing God's Eternal Provision

In this week's readings, we witness the profound and continuous theme of God's providence and the spiritual nourishment He offers. The Israelites, grumbling in the wilderness, long for the comforts of Egypt. God responds with a tangible gift of quails and manna, a physical manifestation of His care and a test of their trust and obedience. This miracle points to God's unwavering support even in times of doubt, reminding us to recount His wondrous deeds to future generations, ensuring His faithfulness is known.

Paul's letter to the Ephesians urges a deeper transformation. He calls us to abandon our old, aimless ways and embrace a new life in Christ, characterized by righteousness and holiness. This spiritual renewal is crucial for experiencing the fullness of life God intends for us.

In the Gospel of John, Jesus clarifies that the true bread from heaven is not merely physical sustenance but Himself, the "bread of life." He invites us to seek not just material fulfillment but the eternal nourishment that only He can provide. By believing in Jesus, we receive a promise: those who come to Him will never hunger or thirst spiritually. These readings challenge us to reflect on where we seek our sustenance, especially in today's fast-paced, materialistic world. Are we relying on temporary, worldly comforts, or are we turning to Christ, the eternal bread of life? In a time when society often values instant gratification and superficial success, these passages remind us of the deeper, lasting fulfillment found in a relationship with God. Let us trust in His provision, embrace a renewed life in Him, and share His enduring goodness with others.

Mass of Thanksgiving

Bishop Denis will celebrate a Mass of Thanksgiving at the 10:30am Mass in the Cathedral on Sunday, 4th August, on the 11th Anniversary of his ordination as a bishop.

All Welcome.



Prayer and Mass in the Cathedral

Sunday: 8.30am, 10.30am, 12.30pm and 7pm Monday to Friday: 7.30am and 10am

Saturday: 10am and 6.15pm Vigil

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday following the 10am Mass

No 7:30 Mass on Monday Bank Holiday

South East Technological University (SETU)

Promoting SETUStudentPad.ie to homeowners in the Carlow, Waterford and Wexford areas.

SETUStudentPad.ie is a website that helps homeowners rent out spare rooms in their homes to students attending SETU.

Homeowners who rent out a room can earn up to €14K per year tax free.

There is a minimal charge of €10.00 to register your property on this website and you will be helping our students to live in the area local to their campus.

Mary's Meals Fundraiser

Mary's Meals are walking to Knock from the following locations, over 9 days, from 7th – 15th August, to raise funds to feed starving children in the poorest countries in the world. We begin on the 7th August from Kilkenny: (Wed) Kilkenny - (Thurs) Clogh - (Fri) Portlaoise -(Sat) Killeigh - (Sun) Clara - (Mon) Athlone -(Tues) Roscommon - (Wed) Ballymoe -(Thurs) Ballyhaunis - Knock. We begin on the 7th August from Tipperary: (Wed) Thurles - (Thurs) Templemore-(Fri) Roscrea - (Sat) Birr - (Sun) Ferbane -(Mon) Athlone - (Tues) Roscommon -(Wed) Ballymoe - (Thurs) Ballyhaunis - Knock. If anyone would like to walk all, a day, 5k or 1k or if anyone would assist in collections, please contact Josephine 087 2037173 or Fr. Eamonn 087 9077985.

For more detail or to Donate to Marys Meals, check out our website: https://www.marysmeals.ie/ or our Facebook page Mary's Meals Ireland.

CE Vacancy - Assumption Parish Services CLG

Day Care Assistant – Reference: 2340498

- * Are you currently over 21 years of age, unemployed & in receipt of a Social Welfare Payment for 12 months?
- 19.5hrs per week Community Employment Rates

For more information check out jobsireland.ie to register your interest or contact the local Intreo office (0818) 405060 and quote above reference number

Cathedral Collections

Last Weekend

Offertory € 1,236.22

Development € 1,853.91

County Carlow Library

Don't forget to call into your local County Carlow
Library and let the kids join SummerStars,
lovely SummerStars merchandise & great prizes
for weekly competitions with mega prize at the end
of the Summer!!

Join us for a fun Irish Workshop for kids at Carlow Library on Saturday, 10th August, 11am to 12pm, where we play games using Memorise! Refresh the Gaeilge we all know and bring relatable everyday words into the home. Suitable for kids age 6 to 12 years,

limited availability!

Email library@carlowcoco.ie to book!
Please contact us by email to library@carlowcoco.ie

If you have any queries,

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Askea Parish Pilgrimage to Lourdes

Askea Parish Pilgrimage to Lourdes
takes place 18th -22nd August 2024.
Spiritual Director Fr Tom Little PP.
and Bishop Denis Nulty
will be travelling with this pilgrimage.
Cost €965.00 p/p sharing a twin/double room.
For further information, contact Tully's Travel,
Carlow 059 9136100.

Bob's Your Uncle Lotto
Next Jackpot
Sunday 4th August 2024

€8,500

No Jackpot Winner 1-14-25-29 3 Match 3 Winners share €500.