



# Cathedral of the Assumption

Sunday, 15th September 2024.

**24th Sunday of Ordinary Time**

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## Newsletter

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By 4pm Wednesday

## Who Do You Say I Am? Embracing the Call of Discipleship

In the Gospel, Jesus asks His disciples, "Who do you say I am?" Peter boldly declares, "You are the Christ." This is the heart of our faith—knowing and proclaiming who Jesus truly is. But Jesus' question isn't just for the disciples; it's for each of us today. Who do we say Jesus is? Do we, like Peter, recognize Him as the Christ, or do we fall into the confusion of the crowd, seeing Him as something else?



Jesus will one day ask each of us this same question. Do we have the answer, rooted in faith, or are we unsure, like many of the apostles at first? Reflect on this: in our lives, do we acknowledge Christ fully, or do we sometimes reduce Him to a mere teacher or prophet? Following Him requires embracing both His identity and His call to take up our cross, trusting that in losing our life for Him, we will find eternal life.

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## Relics of St. Bernadette

The Relics of St. Bernadette will visit the Cathedral of the Assumption Carlow on Monday 7th October. The Relics will be received by Bishop Denis at the 10am Mass. The Relics may be visited throughout the day in the Cathedral. A water ritual, with water from the Grotto, is scheduled for 12 noon. A Mass for the Sick and Sacrament of the Sick will be celebrated at 3pm.

The visit of the Relics will conclude with a torch light procession at 8.30pm. Further details of the preparation and the torch light procession next week.

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## National Ploughing Championships 2024, 17 – 19 September

Once again Kildare & Leighlin will have a stand at the Ploughing Championships taking place in Ratheniska, Co Laois. Our diocesan stand is number 221 and we encourage all visitors to the ploughing to visit our stand. This year we are inviting people to 'Pledge a Pin for Peace'.

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## Prayer and Mass in the Cathedral

Sunday: 8.30am, 10.30am, 12.30pm and 7pm

Monday to Friday: 7.30am and 10am

Saturday at 10am and Vigil Mass at 6.15pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday following the 10am Mass

**We remember in our prayer**

**Tom Begley, Carlow Town**

*May Tom rest in peace*

*May his loved ones and all who mourn be comforted*

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**Invitation to Meditation**

Carlow Meditation Group meets on Monday evenings from 7 pm to 7:45 pm in the Cathedral Parish Centre, College Street, Carlow - excluding bank holidays. Meditation, the universal practice of silent contemplation, can awaken the heart, deepen our spiritual sensitivity and promote our wellbeing.

All are welcome - no experience needed.

No need to book – just turn up on any Monday evening!  
(Noel Keating, 087 2251183)

Best Wishes

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**County Carlow Environmental Network (CCEN)**

**Free Film Viewing Event**

You are invited to see “The Rights of Nature” film on Wed the 25th of September in the Visual, Carlow town at 7pm. It is an Irish-made film about what if species had rights? Learn about how to speak for species without a voice, and how we can redefine our relationship with the natural world. You will be invited after the film to a discussion about the film in the

Visual bar area. There will be a guest speaker.

FREE admission, but booking is necessary: <https://visualcarlow.ie/whats-on/the-rights-of-nature>

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**Legion of Mary**

Pilgrimage to Knock, Sunday, 29th September.

Bus leaving Askea carpark at 7:35am and The Thatch, Graiguecullen at 7:45am. Contact: 0861577190

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**Maintenance Person x 2 – Reference: 2351347**

**CE Vacancy - Assumption Parish Services CLG**

\* 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  
The role involves taking care of the grounds of the Cathedral Parish Centre, church grounds and other buildings of the Parish. Weeding, cutting back plants, picking up rubbish, cleaning & tidying and any other maintenance duties as requested

For further details about the position, you can contact CESupervisor@carlowareace.ie / 085-8726367.

To register your interest for this position, check out [jobsireland.ie](http://jobsireland.ie) and select “register your interest” or contact the Carlow Intreo office on 0818-405060 and quote the above reference number.

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**Carlow Flower Club**

Carlow Flower Club begin their 2024/25 season on Tuesday, 24th September at 8.00pm in the Woodford Dolmen Hotel, Kilkenny Road, Carlow. New members always welcome. The club meets on the last Tuesday of every month. Annual membership €40.00. (Visitors €10 per night). The September Demonstrator will be Marie Walsh AOIFA Demonstrator from Waterford Flower Club. Looking forward to welcoming back all our members and friends.

**Cathedral Collections**

Last Weekend

Offertory € 774.93

Development € 1,058.59

*We are very grateful for your generous support*

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**Rainbows Bereavement and Parental Separation**

**Programmes**

The Autumn Schedule of programmes for children and young people aged 7 to 16 who have suffered the loss of someone close to them, or the separation of their parents, will take place in Askea Parish Centre, commencing on

Monday, October 7th.

For further information contact Anne on 0876636499 or email: [carlowrainbows@gmail.com](mailto:carlowrainbows@gmail.com)

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**Visit of the Relic of St Bernadette**

In September and October this year, the relic of Saint Bernadette will journey on pilgrimage to Ireland for the very first time, visiting every diocese in the country.

The relic will visit Kildare and Leighlin on October 7th, Carlow Cathedral and 8th Portlaoise Parish.

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**SEAN-NÓS DANCING:**

Sean-Nós Classes with champion dancer Irene Cunningham have commenced on Monday nights from 7.30-8.30pm in Gaelscoil Cheatharlach, Ashgrove. Suitable for adults and children. Details 087 2857048.

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**OÍCHE CHULTÚIR '24:**

Culture Night on Friday, 20th Sept will feature 2 events ‘as Gaeilge’.

‘BUAIL ISTEACH’ at 6pm in Lamberts Cafe of Dublin St and ‘BLAS NA GAELIGE’ at 7pm in Waterlilies Café, Tullow St. Bí ann agus fáilte.

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**Catholic Marriage Encounter**

Catholic Marriage Encounter in Ireland is a weekend experience for married couples who want something more in their marriage - more fun, spontaneity, excitement, communication, understanding, romance, intimacy, passion.

Our next Marriage Enrichment Weekend is 8th-10th November.

Venue: Focolare Centre, Prosperous, Co. Kildare  
Online booking only: [www.marriageencounter.ie](http://www.marriageencounter.ie)

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**Bob’s Your Uncle Lotto**

**Next Jackpot**

**Sunday 15th September 2024**

**€11,500**

**No Jackpot Winner**

**2-4-20-25**

**2 Match 3 Winners share €500.**