

Sunday, 22nd September 2024.

25th Sunday of Ordinary Time
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By 4pm Wednesday

Children of God

Today's Gospel powerfully invites us to stand before God like a child. In humility and simplicity, without the shell we create to look 'better' in the eyes of others, and even in our own. For the truth is that God knows everything about us anyway, and yet he never ceases to love us. So we do not need to pretend before Him. Even when we sin, when we do something foolish, He is still there with us, wanting to lift us up and comfort us and give us another chance. Just like a loving mother picks up her child and comforts him/her when he/she falls down. But it is up to us to allow ourselves to be lifted up and comforted. For in the priceless freedom we have been given, we can reject God's loving efforts and choose to 'wallow in the beloved mud'



of our sins. Is this not reminiscent of the childish frenzy we sometimes see in the shop or on the street, or even among our little children? It is not childishness that Jesus invites us to, but to spiritual childhood, that is, as mentioned above, humility and simplicity and above all the disarming trust that children have in their parents. Such an attitude "disarms" God and causes him to pour out a flood of grace on the person who has it. Let us therefore pray

fervently that we may be able to stand before our Heavenly Father like a child, and He will certainly not disappoint our trust and help us.

Visit of the Relic of St Bernadette to Carlow Cathedral

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. A water ritual, with water from the Grotto, is scheduled for 12 noon, Mass for the Sick and the Sacrament of the Sick will be celebrated at 3pm. The visit of the Relics will conclude with a torch light procession at 8pm.

The torch light procession will commence at both Holy Family Church, Askea and St. Claire's Church, Graiguecullen.

The Relics may be visited throughout the day in the Cathedral, which will remain open on the evening until 10pm, the visit of the relics concluding with a prayer of thanksgiving. The relics will visit the Church of Ss Peter and Paul, Portlaoise on Tuesday 8th October.

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 prayers

• Ciss (Sarah) Carpenter (nee Whitty)

Barrack Street, Carlow Town

Vincent (Vinny) White

New Oak Estate, Carlow Town

May Ciss and Vinny rest in peace

May their loved ones and all who mourn be comforted

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.

Aifreann as Gaeilge:

Mass in Irish will resume on the 1st and 2nd Saturdays at 6.15pm in Carlow Cathedral commencing on Saturday 5th October. Missalettes in Irish & English will be available.

New readers and members for Cór an Aifrinn always welcome. 087 2857048

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?

Carlow Flower Club

begin their 2024/25 season on Tuesday, 24th September at 8.00pm in the Woodford Dolmen
Hotel, Kilkenny Road, Carlow. 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..

Communion and Confirmation 2025

Final call for those who want to register their child for the sacraments of Communion and Confirmation in 2025. Contact the Parish Centre for the enrolment form immediately cathedralsacraments2025@gmail.com

Cathedral Collections

Last Weekend

Offertory € 924.85

Development € 1,547.19

We are very grateful for your generous support

Sacrament of Baptism

We Welcome

- ♦ Etta Anna Curnow
- ♦ Kacper Kaminski
- **Alexander Nolan**

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.

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.

OÍCHE CHULTÚIR '24:

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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 GAEILGE' at 7pm in Waterlilies Café, Tullow St. Bí ann agus fáilte.

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

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Sunday 22nd September 2024

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