

Cathedral of the Assumption

Sunday, 9th February 2025.

5th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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By 4pm Wednesday

Called to Go Deeper:

Trusting Jesus Beyond Our Limits

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus meets Simon Peter and his companions after a night of fruitless labour. Despite their exhaustion, He tells them, **“Put out into deep water and pay out your nets for a catch.”** Peter hesitates but responds in faith, saying, **“If you say so, I will pay out the nets.”** The result is an overwhelming catch—so abundant that their nets begin to break.

This miraculous event leads Peter to fall at Jesus' feet, recognizing his own unworthiness: **“Leave me, Lord; I am a sinful man.”** Jesus does not reject him; instead, He tells him not to be afraid and calls him to a new mission:

“To become a fisher of men”

This passage reminds us that Jesus meets us in **our daily struggles** and calls us to **trust Him even when things seem hopeless**. He asks us to **go deeper in faith**, beyond our comfort zones. Like Peter, we may feel unworthy, but Jesus does not call the perfect—He **calls and transforms those who are willing to follow Him**.

Are we ready to **leave behind our fears and follow Christ more fully?**

Where is Jesus asking us to **trust Him and cast our nets again?**

Masses in the Cathedral

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

Monday to Friday: 7.30am & 10am

Saturday: 10am Mass and 6.15pm Vigil

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday following the 10am Mass

Two Hearts Mass at 8pm on First Friday of every Month

Safeguarding Sunday— 9th February 2025

“The life of a parish is often defined by the active engagement of young people . Safeguarding Sunday is a reassurance to all that being involve in the parish is governed by best practices in safeguarding”

Bishop Denis



We remember in our prayer

Sean (John) O'Keeffe, Carlow Town/ Asdee, Kerry

May Sean rest in peace

May his loved ones and all who mourn be comforted

Divine Mercy Conference

Bus from Carlow traveling to Divine Mercy Conference RDS, Dublin. Saturday 22nd February , 8:30am from Green Lane House. Booking essential. Enquires Noeleen 086 2415986.

St Brigid and Europe

Kildare man and Naas parishioner, Liam Kenny, has researched a presentation "St Brigid and Europe – the diocesan Patron at the heart of the Europe Dream". The result is an illustrated presentation and informative commentary which is scheduled for the Cathedral Parish Centre, Carlow R93 XV10, on Thursday, 13th February, at 7.30pm. Everyone is invited and welcome.

Important Synod Update – two strands of current work:

The Final Document of the Universal Synod can be viewed on www.kandle.ie/synod. This document is now part of the ordinary Magisterium (teaching) of the Church and Pope Francis has asked members of the Church across the world to accept and implement its findings. The Diocesan Pastoral Council and Council of Priests will study and reflect on this document and they invite parishioners, especially members of parish pastoral councils, to take up and begin to reflect and act upon this document also.

Diocesan Pilgrimage for the Canonisation of Blessed Carlo Acutis

Coinciding with the Jubilee for Teenagers, during the Jubilee Year of Hope, the Diocese is travelling for the Canonisation of Blessed Carlo Acutis, 25th - 29th April.

This pilgrimage includes a day trip to Assisi, trips to the pilgrims' sites of Rome and of course the Mass on Sunday in St. Peter's Square when Blessed Carlo will be declared the first 'Millennial Saint.' Bishop Denis will join us for the pilgrimage as well as Fr. David Vard. Places are limited and can be booked through Marian Pilgrimages or forms and itinerary can be collected in Portlaoise Parish Centre.

Courses at the Dominican Retreat Centre, Tallaght

Footholds: Meditation in Practice, Donagh O'Shea OP
Four Thursdays, Time 8 – 9 pm
beginning 27th February 2025.

Cost €40.00 for four evenings

Sharing Faith in Today's World, Fr Micheal Hurley
Over 3 Monday Evening 10/17/24th February
2025, Time 8 – 9 pm.

Cost €40.00 for 3 weeks in advance/€15.00
if paying weekly.

For Bookings contact:

Dominican Retreat Centre, Tallaght, Dublin D24 KA 40
Phone: 01 4048123/4048189
Email: dominicanretreats@gmail.com

Cathedral Collections

Last Weekend

Offertory € 1,302.93

Development € 1,551.58

Thank you for your generosity

Carlow Active Retirement Members' Meeting

Held on February 12th @ 2.30 in the
Cathedral Parish Centre .

New members are always welcome

Medjugorje Pilgrimage 2025 (Carlow)

25th June-2nd July

Spiritual Director Fr Tommy Dillon ,Fr.Yanbo Chen,
€805, 10th -17th Sept, €815 Fr. Theodore.

To avail of Discount €200 deposit before Jan 31st.

Enquires to Noeleen 0862415986.

Kilkenny Bereavement Support Service

Kilkenny Bereavement Support invites you to an evening
with Fr. Jim Cogley, Thursday, 20th February, from
7.00pm to 10.00pm, In Newpark Hotel.

Admission is free.

Fr. Jim will present his renowned approach to grief and
healing through his use of wooden symbols.

Fr. Jim is Parish Priest and Director of Pilgrimage at Our
Ladys Island (Wexford) and author of 12 books in the
'Wood You Believe' series and facilitates retreats and
seminars on Spirituality, Human Development and
Healing in his own unique way.

(Website www.jimcogley.com).

The Kilkenny Bereavement Support Service provides free
one to one listening support to people who are
bereaved and can be contacted on 086 0670566
website: www.kilkennybereavementsupport.com .

Setanta Hurling and Camogie Club

Fridays 6-7pm at Presentation College indoor hall
for 3-7 year old girls and boys, new members always
welcome. Enquiries please call 0863318041

or email setantaenquiries@gmail.com

Bob's Your Uncle Lotto

Next Jackpot

Sunday 2nd February 2025

€20,000

No Jackpot winner

2-5-19-31

3 Match 3 Winners share €500