

Cathedral of the Assumption

Sunday, 16th March 2025.

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

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Newsletter

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By 4pm Wednesday

On the mountain

Jesus - inconspicuous, perhaps in a dusty cloak and worn-out sandals -

suddenly appeared in an extraordinary way on a high mountain.

The disciples wanted to keep him like this for a long time, because they wanted to build a tent for him.

How brief was the moment of the Lord's transfiguration.

They saw him again as he was every day.

Do not tell anyone about the vision until the Son of Man has risen from the dead,' the Lord said.

We always want to be on one of those mountains of transfiguration.

To capture the earthly triumph.

And yet we must come down from that mountain.

To find ourselves in the bleakness of everyday life.

Sometimes, in the abyss of life into which we fall headlong,

we can suddenly experience the greatness and uniqueness of Jesus.

It is often said: from despair to hope - one step.

Graham Green once wrote:

"It is enough for me to believe for just one second - no more is needed".

Jubilee of Hope

24 Hours for the Lord takes place

at Cathedral Assumption Carlow -

Friday 28th—Opening Mass at 7pm—Stations of the Cross 9pm

Saturday 29th—10am Morning Mass

12 noon Directed Prayer – Sorrowful Mysteries

3pm Directed Prayer – Divine Mercy

6.15pm Evening Mass/Closing Liturgy

Sacrament of Reconciliation throughout the 24 hours

except during Mass and times of Directed Prayer.

St. Patrick's Day

Monday 17th March

Masses at 8.30am, 10.30am, 12.30am

Prayer and Mass in the Cathedral

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

Monday 17th March— St. Patrick's Day

Masses at 8.30am, 10.30am, 12.30am

Tuesday to Friday: 7.30am, 10am

Saturday: 10am and 6.15pm Vigil

Stations of the Cross—Tuesday after the 10am Mass

Holy Hour—Friday Evening 7pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday following the 10am Mass



St. Patrick's Day

We remember in our prayer

Breda Delaney , 22 Heartfield Court, Dublin Road

May Breda rest in peace

May her loved ones and all who mourn be comforted

Living LENT in our Parish!

- ⇒ Visit the **TREE OF HOPE** in the Cathedral!
- ⇒ Take a Trócaire Pack from the Cathedral!
- ⇒ Join our Holy Hour on a Friday Evening 7pm in the Cathedral!
- ⇒ Pray the Stations of the Cross with us each Monday Morning following the 10am Mass!
- ⇒ Join the Lenten Biblical Studies Group at the Parish Centre on a Friday morning after the 10am Mass!
- ⇒ **Pilgrims of Hope in Lent** follow the Kildare and Leighlin Diocese Facebook and X accounts for daily posts on hope!
- ⇒ Join us for one of our daily Masses, 7.30am and 10am!
- ⇒ Spend reflective time in the quietness of the Cathedral!

Carlow Lions Club Charity Auction

In Aid of Eist Cancer Support Centre at Seven Oaks Hotel on Thursday 20th March, commencing 7:30pm . Accompanying Music by Carlow Ukelele Players. A great selection of Lots on offer including a weekend away at Talbot Hotel, Clonmel, one night dinner, bed and breakfast for 2 at Kelly’s Resort Hotel, Rosslare, 4 tickets Ireland vs Bulgaria International Soccer Aviva Stadium!

SINGING, CONNECTION, FUN!

“Sing for Memory” a new initiative as part of Carlow Kilkenny’s Creative Health and Wellbeing Program.

Designed as a music-based intervention specifically for individuals experiencing or living with conditions affecting memory, and/or their family members or care support.

Participation is **FREE**. Wednesday mornings: 11.00 a.m. An Gairdin Beo. For information: 087 668 9943.

St. Laserian’s Raffle

St Laserian’s Special School is raising funds for a accessible walk way around the school.

The Parish staff has put together an Easter hamper for raffle. Lines are two Euro each and the draw will take place on Easter Saturday.

Your support would be appreciated.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Luxembourg honouring Carlow Trained St Willibrord

Join Fr Thomas O’Byrne and our ecumenical friends from the Diocese of Leighlin as the Diocese and the Cathedral Parish travel to Luxembourg for the Annual Hopping Procession, honour of Carlow trained St Willibrord, Patron Saint of the Netherlands from Sunday June 8th to Wednesday June 11th, 2025. St Willibrord spent twelve years in Co Carlow at Rath Melsigi, in the Parish of Tinryland, before leaving for the continent in 690AD. Bookings for this unique pilgrimage through Tully’s Travel, Tullow Street, Carlow Town, Tel: 059 9136100, €685.00 per person sharing.

During Lent don’t forget the Trócaire Campaign Use the Box!!!

Cathedral Collections

Last Weekend

Offertory € 1,136.70

Development € 2,063.0

Thank you for your generosity

Lenten Biblical Studies Group

The Group led by Dr Amelia Fleming, gathers every Friday morning during Lent after 10am Mass in the Parish Centre. Each informal session will last approximately 90 minutes. Everyone is welcome

Scouts

The 5th Carlow Town Scouts group are holding there annual St. Patrick Day Church Parade to 10:30 Mass in the Cathedral and after Mass to the Parish Centre College Street for some light refreshments and raffle . Everyone is Welcome.

Want to gain hands-on work experience while training?

Choose from various course's in QQI accredited levels up to a QQI Level 6 qualification?

With Community Employment, you’ll get the opportunity to learn while you earn, develop your skills, to assist in progressing into long-term employment.

We have a wide range of roles available, including:

- Administrator/ Caretaker (Askea) CES-2380514
- Support Person (Barnardo’s) CES-2377415
- Healthcare Assistant (Carlow Day Care Centre)

CES-2380627 must be willing to do QQI level 5 HCA

Contact the local Intreo office stating the reference number for role you are interested in. Email: cesupervisor@carlowareace.ie

Carlow Flower Club

Carlow Flower Club are hosting a garden talk by Mary Keenan on “Preparing your Garden now for Summer Colour”. Tuesday 25th March at 8.00pm in the Woodford Dolmen Hotel. Mary is the editor of “The Irish Garden Magazine” and the owner of Gash Gardens in Co. Laois. This is sure to be a most informative night for all those who garden.

COMMUNITY CONNECT DRIVE & DROP DONATE TO HELP FAMILIES IN NEED!

Saturday the 22nd of March, 10AM-12PM - Methodist Church carpark, Athy Road, Carlow.

Help us to gather much-needed essential items for pregnant mothers and families with new babies around the country – just pick up a few extra items in your weekly shop!

Every donation you make will go directly to a family in need. (NEW ITEMS ONLY):

Financial donations also welcome on the day. For more information see: www.communityconnect.ie/driveanddrop/

Bob’s Your Uncle Lotto

Next Jackpot Sunday 16th March 2025

€20,000

**No Jackpot winner
12-14-21-22**

4 Match 3 Winners share €500