



Cathedral of the Assumption

Sunday, 30th March 2025.

FORTH SUNDAY OF LENT

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By 4pm Wednesday

Mothers Day

This Sunday we celebrate Mothers Day, we should be celebrating this every day. Our experience of

Mother is unique to each one of us and full of complexities. We all share one fact, our birth mothers gave us the gift of life. They also gave over almost a year of their lives so we could live, for this we are eternally grateful. Some Mothers have difficulty caring for their child for different reasons. Others need medical intervention and other extended supports so as to become Mothers. After birth there are

different and varied models and ways to be mother to a child.

Through adoption, fostering, different family arrangements or different types of families. Although they are different, they are no less legitimate. All reflections of elements of the model shown by Our Lady.

She carried her child through difficult times, homeless, as a traveller or as part of a refugee family.

She was mother as her son was treated as a social outcast, criminal, but at all times she loved her child supported him and always had a place in her heart, and in her home for him whatever came along.

So today, we pray that all mothers model their motherhood on Mary. Her belief, love, kindness and

forgiveness always in times of difficulty. May the cloak of Our Lady strengthen and support them, and may we always be mindful and thankful for the gift of our Mothers!



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 in 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!

Chrism Mass

You are invited to join with Bishop Denis and the priests of the diocese for the annual celebration of the Chrism Mass on Monday, 14 April at 7:30 pm. Please come early to ensure a seat. Refreshments afterwards in Carlow College, St Patrick's. Music led by Fr Liam Lawton and the diocesan choir.

Prayer and Mass in the Cathedral

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

Monday to Friday: 7.30am, 10am

Saturday: 10am and 6.15pm Vigil

Stations of the Cross—Monday after the 10am Mass

Holy Hour—Friday Evening 7pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday following the 10am Mass

We remember in our prayer

Catherine (Kathleen) Magee (née Godfrey)

Tyndall Court, Kilkenny Road

**Billie Kinsella, 21 Centaur Court, Centaur St.,
Carlow and formerly of Castlebridge, Co Wexford**

May Catherine and Billie rest in peace

May their loved ones and all who mourn be comforted

Do you think that God may be calling you to the priesthood?

Would you like to meet with others who are exploring a call?
Would you like to discover how to discover God's will for your
life? Then the Samuel Circle is for you! The Circle is a group of
guys who meet regularly to try and discern God's plan for them
in life. If you are interested contact Fr. Ruairi
ruairiodomhnaill@gmail.com

Devotion to the Holy Face of Jesus

Every Tuesday evening in Carlow Cathedral (back entrance)
7pm to 8pm during Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.
All are welcome.

Invitation to Meditation:

Carlow Meditation Group

Monday 7pm to 7:45pm - Cathedral Parish Centre

Meditation, the universal practice of silent contemplation,
can awaken the heart, deepen our spiritual sensitivity and
promote our wellbeing. All are welcome - just turn up !

Carlow Active Retirement members

Meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 9th, at 2.30pm
in the Cathedral Parish Centre. New members welcome

190th Anniversary of the Execution of Lucinda Sly

Today marks the 190th anniversary of the execution
Lucinda Sly, the last woman to publicly hanged at Carlow
Gaol (now Carlow Shopping Centre).

Join Fr Thomas O'Byrne, Rev Paul Fitzpatrick, and Carlow
County Council, at 1.45pm today in the Carlow Shopping
Centre for a short commemoration

International Saint Columbanus Day to take place in Carlow

The Diocese of Kildare & Leighlin will host this international
gathering on the weekend of the 11th-13th July 2025, Pilgrims
from all over Europe will gather here to honour this great Saint,
born in the shadow of Mount Leinster. Numerous events will
take place in the Cathedral Parish & Myshall Parish over the
weekend.

**Association of Catholics Ireland (ACI) Zoom meeting -
Irish Synodal Pathway**

What should be the priorities?

Join us on Thursday, April 10th, for a general meeting/
conversation – so that the ACI Steering Committee ‘hear you’ –
and you have the opportunity to contribute to our
response document.

Join Zoom Meeting – 10th April, 8.00pm

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86540390463?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86540390463?pwd=3pJRR5OJlIOAvg3GJ4j3brZDvNOqyQ.1)

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Meeting ID: 865 4039 0463/Passcode: 107280

Cathedral Collections

Last Weekend

Offertory € 2,336.72

Development € 1,631.64

Thank you for your generosity

Apostolate of Eucharistic Adoration -

Knock Pilgrimage Sunday, April 6th 2025.

Coach departing Athy (St Michael Carpark) 7.45am sharp

[https://eucharisticadoration.ie/kildare-leighlin-bus-](https://eucharisticadoration.ie/kildare-leighlin-bus-times/)
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Cost €25.00 Adults (children free)

St. Mary's Cemetery Clean Up

Organised by: Carlow Tidy Towns Association,

Saturday, 5th April, at 10am. Bags, litter pickers, gloves
provided at the gate. All Welcome

Chess Club

If you are interested in playing chess on
Monday mornings from 11-12:00 you are
welcome to join us in the Parish Centre.



Evangelium Ireland Conference 2025

Evangelium Ireland invites young Catholics to its annual
Apologetics Conference at St. Patrick's College, Maynooth,
on Saturday, 26 April 2025. Talks and workshops.

Mass will be celebrated.

Cost: €45, including lunch, refreshments,
and evening social. www.evangelium.ie

MONSTER EASTER BINGO

SUNDAY 6th April

**€ 6,000 IN PRIZE MONEY
ALL PROCEEDS IN AID OF
SAINT LASERIAN'S SCHOOL**

Bob's Your Uncle Lotto

Next Jackpot

Sunday 30th March

€20,000

No Jackpot winner

7-16-19-30

6 Match 3 Winners share €500