



Cathedral of the Assumption

Sunday, 11th May 2025.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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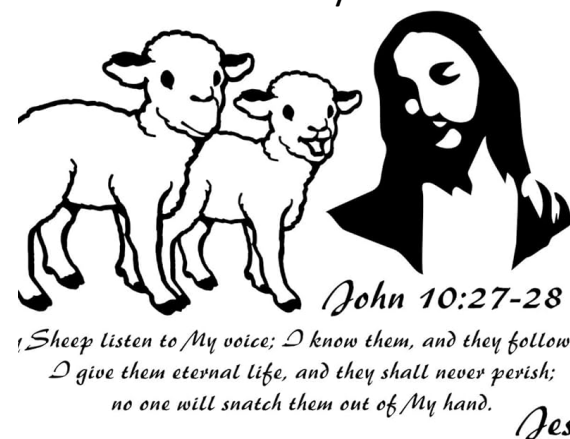
Newsletter

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By 4pm Wednesday

Listen!

Today's Word of God, especially the Gospel, draws our attention to the need to listen to the voice of the Good Shepherd, Jesus. An important question immediately arises. How can we recognise His voice amid the noise of everyday life? We need to be careful! If we do not strain our spiritual hearing, this voice may escape us, and we may not recognise the voice of the Lord. Only those who practise listening to the shepherd's voice, who try to 'tune in to the frequency on which he broadcasts', will be able to hear him and, consequently, follow him to fertile pastures, to a safe haven where we will not perish for eternity and no one will snatch us from Jesus' hand. We 'tune in' to this voice when we meditate on the Holy Scriptures, when we pray, and especially when we participate in Holy Mass. At that time, Jesus speaks to us, teaching us to recognise His voice...



A great crowd of the saved heard and followed the Lamb of God, obtaining what the Lord had promised. We too are called by this sweet voice, but it is up to us whether we hear it and follow it... Let us reflect today on what we are really listening to, what voice we are following, and whether it is the voice of the good shepherd. May it be so, for only then will we be able to find true happiness.

Prayer for Pope Leo XIV

Faithful God,
You guide us on the path of life
and your goodness is our constant companion.
Be with our new Shepherd, Pope Leo XIV,
in his service of the Church.
Fill him with the power of your Spirit,
the peace of your presence
and the compassion of Christ.
May he walk with you,
in wisdom and humility,
and lead us, together with all God's people,
to embody your love for the world. Amen.

Congratulations!!

We gather this weekend to celebrate with those who are receiving Jesus in Holy Communion for the first time, we say;

Welcome to the Lord's table!

We pray that you will always know the friendship and real presence of Jesus in your lives.

We wish you a wonderful celebration with your families and friends.

Every blessing!

Mass at the CATHEDRAL

Mass in Cathedral: Monday to Friday 7.30am and 10am

Saturday: 10am Vigil Mass: 6.15pm

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

Carlow Little Theatre Society

Delighted to be returning to the stage of the George Bernard Shaw theatre later this month, with Michael Frayn's classic farce/comedy Noises Off. Performing Thursday 22nd - Sunday 25th May 2025 at 7.30pm.
Admission €24 | €22 concessions (including OAPs).
Bookings via visualcarlow.ie or 059-917200
boxoffice@visualcarlow.ie

Sharing from the Table of the Lord

Training for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: This diocesan programme will be led by Fr Tom O’Byrne and Julie Kavanagh on Saturday, 24 May, from 10am to 4pm in Cathedral Parish Centre. Attendees are asked to bring a lunch – tea/coffee will be provided. Suitable for people new to this ministry in the parish or for existing ministers who would like a refresher. If you would like to take part in this training please contact the parish office or one of the Parish Team.

"Gaeilge do Thosaitheoirí / Irish for Adult Beginners"

A brand new Irish language Course "Irish for Adult Beginners" organised by KCWETB in association with Glór Cheatharlach will begin in Carlow this week. The course will run for 6 nights over three weeks in May. Classes every Monday and Thursday commencing 12th May from 7pm-8.30pm. The course is free but places are limited. Contact Glór Cheatharlach at emma@glorcheatharlach.ie 085 1340047or 087 2857048 to book your place.

All Ireland Rosary Rally

Saturday, 7th June 2025. Bus from St Leo’s departing at 8:00am. Booking at Cathedral Parish Centre– 059 916 4086. Cost €30

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.

Honouring Carlow-trained St Willibrord

Consider travelling to Luxembourg for the Annual Hopping Procession, in honour of Carlow trained St Willibrord, Patron Saint of the Netherlands, from Sunday, June 8th, to Wednesday, June 11th 2025. Bookings for this unique pilgrimage through Tully’s Travel, Tullow Street, Carlow Town. Tel: 059 9136100, €685.00 per person sharing.

Jubilee of Hope 2025

One Day Retreat to Lough Derg
Led by Bishop Nulty, Saturday, 17th May 2025 . To book contact - 087 1302587 from Carlow, 087 2467594 from Kilkenny

Top Ten Ways to Help Pollinators

Plant pollinator friendly trees
Native trees and shrubs such as Willow, Hawthorn, Rowan, Crab Apple, and Holly support huge numbers of insects including pollinators.
Why: Trees that blossom in Spring are a low-maintenance, vital source of food for pollinators. Trees contribute to a healthy climate and biodiversity, supporting a rich variety of organisms such as lichens, mosses, birds, mammals, and insects.
Where: Anywhere there is space.
pollinators.ie/top-ten-ways-to-help-pollinators/

Cathedral Collections

Last Weekend
Offertory € 1,517.28
Development € 1,973.10

Your generosity is most appreciated

Carlow Active Retirement Members' Meeting

Held on the 14th of May in the Cathedral Parish Centre at 2.30pm. New members welcome
Thank you

Mobile Construction Training Rig

Mobile Construction Training Rig in St. Laurence O’Toole’s (Askea Church Carpark), 12th-13th May 2025, between the hours 9am-5pm.
Booking is advised. For further information, contact Darren 085 2357176/Marina 086 0223211.

Burren Outdoor Retreat.

Saturday, 17th to Monday 19th May
Would you like to come on a guided journey through the Burren with its limestone pavements, rare flora and ancient sacred sites? Let the beauty of the amazing Burren landscape renew you in body and soul.
Information: Mary 087 970 1130. Booking: Des 085 1614951

Blessed John Sullivan SJ Mass of Thanksgiving

Mass of Thanksgiving for the life and work of Blessed John Sullivan SJ (1861-1933) takes place on Sunday, 11th May 2025, at 3pm, in Clongowes Wood College, Clane, Co Kildare. Celebrant: Bishop Denis Nulty.

Adult Studies in the Catechism of the Catholic Church National Pilgrimage

Adult Studies in the Catechism of the Catholic Church National Pilgrimage to Ireland’s Eucharistic and Marian Shrine takes place in Knock on Saturday, 31st May 2025, the liturgical feast of the visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary to Elizabeth.
Morning Session:
11.30am: Sowing Seeds of Hope – Families, Parishes and Workplaces
Venue: St. John’s Rest and Care Centre
Schedule of Ceremonies:
2.00pm: Outdoor Stations of the Cross and Rosary Procession
3.00pm: Holy Mass in the Basilica
Eucharistic Adoration and Sacrament of Reconciliation throughout the day.

Bob’s Your Uncle Lotto
Next Jackpot
Sunday 11th May

€20,000

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