



Cathedral of the Assumption

Sunday, 1st June 2025.

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

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Newsletter

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By 4pm Wednesday

New beginning

The Ascension of Jesus does not mark the end of his presence, but rather the beginning of a new era — a spiritual presence that permeates our daily lives. Christ ascended into heaven to pave the way for us and to remind us that our homeland is in heaven. But before we get there, we have a mission: to be his witnesses here and now through our words, actions and love for our neighbour. Heaven begins where a person allows God to work through them.



Two important actions regarding the appalling scenes we see unfolding in Gaza

Bishop Denis writes, "I invite all parishes to ring church bells next **Wednesday (June 4th) at 1.05pm** on UN Day of Innocent Children Victims of Aggression, in response to a peace initiative of the Fórsa Trade Union inviting workers to take a moment at lunchtime, and to observe **Friday (June 6th)** as a day of prayer and fasting in solidarity with all suffering in the Holy Land at this time."

The statement of the Bishop's Conference follows:

"It appears that humanity has lost its heart"

"We in Ireland must pray for a change of heart. Throughout the month of June – the month of the Sacred Heart of Jesus – we call on everyone to pray for an outpouring of the compassion of God on a heartless world.

We echo Pope Leo XIV's recent appeal to allow into Gaza 'the entry of dignified humanitarian aid and to put an end to the hostilities, whose heartbreaking price is paid by the children, elderly, and the sick.'"

Prayer for those doing Exams

LORD, AS I PREPARE TO SIT MY EXAMS
send your Holy Spirit to guide me and be with me.
Thank you for the many talents and gifts you have
given me and for the opportunity of education.

KEEP ME CALM.

Help me to do the best I can on the day of my exam.

Help me to remember all that I have studied,
to express it clearly and to answer the questions
as best that I can.

Give me peace, understanding and wisdom and
be with me today and always.

AMEN

Mass at the CATHEDRAL

Mass in Cathedral: Monday (Bank Holiday) 10am

Tuesday to Friday: 7.30am and 10am

Saturday: 10am Vigil Mass: 6.15pm

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

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday following the 10am Mass

Sound N Sing

Holistic Self-Care Practice for wellbeing , pain management & Friendship

A therapeutic, arts, health, music resource to support people living with a chronic pain to optimize mental and physical health and well-being. This self-care programme is particularly tailored to support persons with musculo-skeletal pain conditions, such as Osteoarthritis, Rheumatoid Arthritis affecting muscle, bone, joint and tendon. Experience the transformative potential of healing sounds and singing in a gentle group activity focussed on the sounding body, breath-work and singing.

Connect and socialise with others with similar experiences to benefit your physical, mental and social wellbeing. No special musical ability required to join the group and all levels of experience are very welcome.

DURATION: 6 WEEKS, FREQUENCY: EVERY FRIDAY: JUNE 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th; JULY 4th and 11th , 11.00 am to 12.30 pm.

VENUE: Cathedral Parish Centre, Room 2. The Old School, College St, Carlow R93 XV10

Your facilitator will be Marian Gaynor, who specialises in crafting singing, health musicking and sound experiences to optimise mental and physical health and wellbeing.

COST: €5.00/session (Funded by Carlow Arts Office & Carlow County Council)

PLACES ARE LIMITED AND REGISTRATION IS NECESSARY TO ATTEND. To sign up and register to attend, or to find out more information please contact Marian on 087 668 9943
marian_gaynor@outlook.com

Carlow Active Retirement

Members' meeting will be held on Wednesday, 11th June at 2.30pm in the Cathedral Parish Centre. New members welcome

Padre Pio's Glove

Coming to Fitzpatrick's House , Kilberry, Athy, Co.Kildare.

On Saturday the, 14th of June 2025, from 11am-5pm.

For any more information contact Anne on 085169189

Men's Rosary Carlow

Calling all Men to join us for Men's Rosary of Reparation and Conversion of Ireland and to pray for World Peace This First Saturday. 7th June at 1.30 p.m. At the Liberty Tree (opposite. Mc Donald's) in unison with 24 venues throughout Ireland and the World. All Welcome : Enquires 0863742641

Carlow ASD Foroige Youth Club

We are looking for adult volunteers to help run a specialised ADS Youth Club in Carlow

To ensure the best experience for the young people in the club, we are looking for adults who have a genuine interest in the young people in Carlow Town. The weekly commitment would be 90minutes per week. Full training provided, Full Garda vetting undertaken. This is a chance to give back to the community. For more information , please contact Aidan Gleeson 0860674485, aidan.gleeson@foroige.ie

ALLIANCE OF THE TWO HEARTS FIRST FRIDAY VIGIL

There will be no first Friday vigil in the Cathedral in June. There is a First Friday First Saturday vigil in the Church of the Assumption, Castledermot, Co Kildare on Friday, 6th June. Starts at 7pm with Holy Mass in honour of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, followed by adoration of the Blessed

Sacrament, 9 offices to the Sacred Heart, confession and finishes with midnight Mass in honour of the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

Cathedral Collections

Last Weekend

Offertory € 1,259.84

Development € 1,771.91

Thank you for your generosity

"Parishes Alive - Moving Forward in Hope!"

Bishop Denis, together with the Diocesan Pastoral Council, will host a day for lay people and clergy to explore the direction of the Diocese of Kildare & Leighlin and how it impacts on the day-to-day life of a parish. We are building on the work done previously by the DPC, the Council of Priests, Faith Development Services, and across parishes. The day will comprise inputs from guest speakers, along with prayer, general discussion, and intentional listening. It takes place on Saturday, 21st June 2025 in Carlow College and concluding at 4pm.. Registration at 9:30am, starting promptly at 10a. Lunch is included. Booking essential through parishdevelopment@kandle.ie providing your name and parish.

All Ireland Rosary Rally– At Knock Shrines

Saturday, 7th June 2025.

Bus from St Leo's departing at 8:00am.

Booking at Cathedral Parish Centre

– 059 916 4086. Cost €30

Columban Day Celebrations

All paths lead to Carlow this July when the town hosts the XXVI Columbanus Day celebration from 11th July to 13th July 2025. This significant occasion honours St Columbanus, one of Ireland's most influential early missionaries. St Columbanus, patron saint of the Missionary Society of St Columban, was born in Myshall. The three-day event promises a rich blend of cultural, spiritual and communal experiences.

Highlights include the launch of the exhibition 'Ireland and the Birth of Europe', a symposium exploring the relationship between creation and spirituality given by Columban missionary Fr Sean McDonagh, and a walk along the picturesque Columban Way. Visitors can also look forward to engaging talks, such as 'Columbanus, the Man from Myshall', by former President Dr Mary McAleese, taking place in the Holy Cross Church in Myshall. There will be an evening of sacred music in the Cathedral of the Assumption at 8pm on Saturday 12th July, the featuring Cathedral Choir, the Carlow Choral Society, Schola Cathedralis and Soloist Eva Kavanagh.

The celebrations culminate with the XXVI Columbanus Day Mass in the Cathedral of the Assumption, Carlow, on Sunday, 13th July at 10.30am

Bob's Your Uncle Lotto

Next Jackpot

Sunday 1st June

€20,000

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