



Cathedral of the Assumption

Sunday, 25th May 2025.

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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By 4pm Wednesday

Greetings From Pope Leo XIV from Rome and to the world

Peace be with you! Dearest brothers

and sisters, this was the first greeting of the risen Christ, the good shepherd who gave His life for the flock of God. I, too, would like this greeting of peace to enter your hearts, to reach your families and all people, wherever they are; and all the peoples, and all the earth: Peace be with you.

This is the peace of the Risen Christ, a disarming and humble and preserving peace. It comes from God. God, who loves all of us, without any limits or conditions. Let us keep in our ears the weak but always brave voice of Pope Francis, who blessed Rome — the Pope who blessed Rome and the world that day on the morning of Easter.

Allow me to continue that same blessing. God loves us, all of us, evil will not prevail. We are all in the hands of God. Without fear, united, hand in hand with God and among ourselves, we will go forward. We are disciples of Christ, Christ goes before us, and the world needs His light. Humanity needs Him like a bridge to reach God and His love. You help us to build bridges with dialogue and encounter so we can all be one people always in peace.

Thank you Pope Francis!

Thank you to my Cardinal brothers who chose me to be the Successor of Peter and to walk together with you as a united Church searching all together for peace and justice, working together as women and men, faithful to Jesus Christ without fear, proclaiming Christ, to be missionaries, faithful to the gospel.

I am a son of Saint Augustine, an Augustinian. He said, "With you I am a Christian, for you a bishop." So may we all walk together towards that homeland that God has prepared for us.

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

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday following the 10am Mass



We remember in our prayer

Tommy O'Toole, Carlow Town, Kilkea, Kildare

**Tony Geoghegan, Pinewood Avenue, Rathnapish,
Carlow**

Sharon Maguire (née EYRE), 7A Oakview, Athy Road

May Tommy, Tony and Sharon rest in peace

May their loved ones and all who mourn be comforted

Carlow Choral Society

Carlow Choral Society is celebrating 60 years of bringing classical choral music to the people of Carlow and as part of our celebrations during 2025 the Society is putting on an exhibition in Carlow library from Wednesday, 28th to Friday, 30th May from 10am - 5:30pm each day, with a late opening on Thursday until 7:30pm.

Carlow Flower Club

Carlow Flower Club will welcome Eva Holmes from Kilkenny for our May meeting. Eva will be talking on "Flowers- growing and arranging". Eva is an AOIFA teacher and demonstrator, the owner of the beautiful Darver House Nursery. Eva has a wealth of gardening knowledge. The competition on the night for all classes is "An Arrangement that includes Manipulated Leaves" Visitors welcome €10 visitor entry fee.

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



Irish Cancer Society's Transport Service

Volunteer Drivers Needed

The Irish Cancer Society's Transport Service is seeking compassionate volunteer drivers in your community. Your time can help to continue the vital service of providing transport for patients attending cancer treatment appointments.

If you have a minimum of 2 days per month to spare, a valid driving license, and a safe, reliable vehicle, you're the perfect candidate to make a significant difference. Your generosity can ease the journey for many during a challenging time, offering comfort and support when it's needed most.

Full training will be provided. There are a number of essential post-drive administration tasks that will require either existing knowledge of basic computer or IT skills, or the willingness to acquire such skills (such as scanning and uploading documents or attending virtual meetings).

For more information and to become a volunteer driver, contact Monica at volunteer@irishcancer.ie.

Retired Priest Collection

The annual Retired Priest Collection for the support of the retired priests is taken place this weekend.

Thank you for your generous support, much appreciated.

Cathedral Collections

Last Weekend

Offertory € 1,194.99

Development € 1,843.44

Your generosity is most appreciated

"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 with registration at 9:30am, starting promptly at 10am and concluding at 4pm. Lunch is included.

Booking essential through parishdevelopment@kandle.ie providing your name and parish.

Employment Opportunity – Office Manager Graiguecullen

Killeshin Parish Centre

We are looking for an experienced, self-motivated Office Manager to manage the smooth running of the parish office (30hr p/w). Further details regarding role profile, duties etc. are available by emailing Gkparishrecruitment@gmail.com.

Applications consisting of a letter of application, CV (incl. qualifications) and two recent referees are invited by email to Gkparishrecruitment@gmail.com by 5pm on Friday, 6th June. Shortlisting may apply.

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

Bob's Your Uncle Lotto

Next Jackpot

Sunday 25th May

€20,000

No Jackpot winner

11-17-23-31

12 Match 3 Winners share €500