



Cathedral of the Assumption

Sunday, 15th June 2025.

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By 4pm Wednesday

Hope Does Not Disappoint Us

'And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

' Pope Francis chose this sentence as the motto for the current Jubilee Year.

We all need to hear it again and again to be reminded of its truth, especially when we find ourselves at a turning point in our lives, when we are feeling discouraged, weary or depressed, or when we are weighed down by

a difficult experience. The saying "hope is the mother of fools" is not relevant here. It is the mother of those who are able to trust against hope when they have no more strength left, when, despite their own knowledge and human advice, there is no good prospect in sight. It is not a matter of believing, sometimes naively, that a positive outcome will be achieved. Hope is the acceptance that what is to come will bear fruit in the future, even if it is not visible today, and that it will bring not only pain, disappointment and suffering, but also good things. This will not diminish the pain we have experienced or make the wound disappear, but it will help us survive and move on without shutting ourselves off in despair and hopelessness. The Spirit of Truth will guide us towards the full truth: that when we reach the end of our strength, God has only just begun.



Gaza: "Words are not enough!"

Irish Bishops call for solidarity at parish level



"What is happening in Gaza – and the West Bank – is the death of tens of thousands of non-combatants, many of them women and children. This is unconscionable and disproportionate. It is immoral for world leaders to stand by inactively in the face of this outrageous tragedy for humanity.

Words are not enough! There is an urgent need for the international community to intervene, cut off arms supplies, and bring the carnage to an end. This will call for courage on the part of leaders. Examples of courage are being given every day by heroic doctors, nurses and aid workers risking their lives in service of the wounded and those who have been displaced."

The Bishops conclude with the words and prayer of Pope Leo XIV, "I renew my appeal to the leaders: **cease-fire, release all hostages, fully respect humanitarian law.**

Mary, Queen of Peace, pray for us.' (General Audience, 28 May 2025).

The Lorica of Fursa

May the guiding hands of God be on our shoulders,
may the presence of the Holy Spirit be on our head,
may the sign of Christ be on our forehead,
may the voice of the Holy Spirit be in our ears,
may the smell of the Holy Spirit be in our nose,
may the sight of the company of heaven be in our eyes,
may the speech of the company of heaven be in our mouth,
may the work of the Church of God be in our hands,
may the serving of God and our neighbour be in our feet,
may God make our hearts his home,
and may we belong to God, our Father,

Mass at the 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

Peter Brennan, 61 Dublin Rd, Carlow

John Cahill, Oak Park, Carlow

May Peter and John rest in peace

May their loved ones and all who mourn be comforted

Carlow Environmental Network Summer Community Get Together & Talk

Free event: On Wed, 18th of June, Carlow Environmental Network (CCEN) warmly invites you to a Summer Community Get Together & Talk on the Earth Charter in An Gairdín Beo, Carlow Town, 5.30pm-8.30pm. Enjoy some pizza and an illuminating talk on the Earth Charter. Everyone is welcome but registration is necessary here:

<https://tinyurl.com/yn7jvuwr> Email: info@ccen.ie

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. The keynote speaker will be Prof. Fr Michael Conway, Professor of Faith & Culture at St Patrick's Pontifical University, Maynooth. 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 by email to parishdevelopment@Kandle.ie, providing your name and parish, or by phoning 083-8305681.

Date for the diary

Join Bishop Denis for a day of guest speakers, workshops and prayer on Saturday, 20th September, in the Cathedral and Carlow College. The Diocesan Commission for Liturgical Formation is hosting this day for all those involved in liturgy in the parish – that includes members of the congregation, so you are all invited!

More details to follow next week.

Retreat and Ministry of Healing St. Mary's

Parish, Irishtown, Clonmel, Co. Tipperary Eircode E91FD28, Saturday, June 28th & Sunday, 29th June 2025. Led by international Priest Fr. Rozo Palić. Bring the sick, family, friends. For further information contact: Patricia 089 9466193 or Imelda 089 9558283.

An Gairdín Beo café and vegetable stall re-opens

Wednesday, 25th June, 10.30 am -12.30 pm

Join us every Wednesday during the summer months.

Please note, there is no onsite parking.

Carlow County Council

Offering all households and businesses in our community an opportunity to dispose of all old electrical equipment for free. You can dispose of any item that uses a plug or a battery, no matter how big or small at the following locations.

Saturday, 28th June, 10am-4pm, Tullow Mart, Barrack Street, Tullow, R93E431, Tuesday, 1st July, 10am -4pm, Rejuice IT,

Bagenalstown Industrial Park, Royal Oak Road, Bagenalstown, R21E297, Thursday, 3rd July, 10am -4pm, Hacketstown Fire Station, Fairgreen, Hacketstown, R93YX47, Tuesday, 8th July, 10am -4pm, Borris Mart, Fenagh Road, Borris, R95AY07, Thursday, 10th July, 10am -4pm, Carlow Mart, Killeslin Road, Carlow, R93VOR1.

We accept everything from a tiny watch battery to a large photocopier.

Cathedral Collections

Last Weekend

Offertory € 1,286.21

Development € 1,892.55

Thank you for your generosity

Carlow Cathedral Parish Pilgrimage

Thursday, 19th June, visiting Co. Kildare and the Relic of St Brigid. Departing from St Leo's at 9.30. Cost €25. Bring packed lunch.

Starting with a visit to the grave of Fr John Cummins in Newbridge, where some of the Cummins family will join us for a decade of the Rosary. Onwards to the Cathedral and Round Tower in Kildare for a short tour. Then on to St Brigid's Parish Church to view and venerate the Relic of St Brigid. Fr Tom will celebrate Mass for us at approx. 12 noon. Fr Adrian Carbery has kindly offered us the use of the Parish Centre for lunch. After lunch we will visit Solás Bhride for a talk and Blessing with the Holy Water from St Brigid's Well. On our return journey to Carlow, we will stop at the grave of Sr Dolores Fitzgerald and recite a decade of the Rosary before returning to pick-up point. We hope many of you will join us for this special day as Pilgrims in this Jubilee Year of Hope. Booking through the Parish Centre.

Keep Hope Alive in 2025!

Saturday, 5th July, 1:30pm, Parnell Square, Dublin, Rally for Life 2025. Ireland's largest annual pro-life March.

Assemble from 1pm at Parnell Square, to march at 1:30pm. Contact us to book a seat on a bus from your area: 018730465.

www.rallyforlife.net, info@rallyforlife.net,

018730465 (Rep of Ireland), (028) 90278484 (North of Ireland)

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. 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, featuring the 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

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Sunday 15th June

€20,000

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