



Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> September 2024  
26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B

*In GK Parish, we value and encourage the participation of young people and vulnerable adults in all parish activities. We uphold the utmost standard of safeguarding to create a safe environment for all.*

**PARISH TEAM:** Fr. John Dunphy & Cathriona Kelly  
**PARISH SAFEGUARDING REPS:** Breda Lloyd / Sarah Alsybury / Cathriona Kelly 059 91 41833  
**DIOCESAN DESIGNATED LIAISON PERSON:** Ms Ailish Higgins 085 8021633  
**PRIEST ON CALL FOR CARLOW AREA:** (Emergency Only) Phone: 087 2588118

### HARVEST THANKSGIVING WEEKEND

We thank God for the harvest and we ask Him to help us share what we have with those who are in need. At all our Masses this weekend we will bless the food items people have placed in our sacred space.

The food will then be used in St Clare's Hospitality Food Kitchen as our way of giving thanks for the Harvest and of sharing our harvest with others.

God, we thank you for your harvest which feeds us so many times each day. We are nourished with your forgiveness and hope. We are sustained with your strength and patience. We are filled with your grace and compassion.

God, we thank you for feeding us with a harvest of plenty. We are restored through your generosity and healing. We are replenished with your abundance and joy. We are reminded of your selfless abandon.



God, we thank you for feeding us with the bread of heaven. Your gift of Christ sustains our lives. His presence restores the promise of your love. His life fills our hearts with your everlasting light.

God, we thank you too for filling us with the water of life. May we drink deeply that our thirst may be quenched. May your river continue to flow over us, in us, through us and out into the world you love.

### NEWLY BAPTISED

This week we welcome a new member into our parish family.



**Ollie Goulding**

### PRIESTS COLLECTION

The autumn collection for the support of the priests of the parish will be taken up at all Masses this weekend. This collection is one of four collections each year that goes to support the priests. Special envelopes are available in the collection boxes or there are envelopes available at the church doors. We appreciate your support in difficult times.

### MONSTER BINGO

St. Fiacc's Hall  
Tues 1<sup>st</sup> Oct. 8.30pm

Jackpot on 50 numbers: €3,330  
Double Number: €2,490  
Lotto: €800



### POPE JOHN PAUL II AWARD RECIPIENTS 2024

Well done to our 28 recipients of the Pope John Paul II Award 2023/2024 who received their medal from Bishop Denis at a ceremony in the Cathedral on Friday. They have represented our parish so well through their various ministries and we thank them for their commitment. Please God they will stay involved for many years to come.

**GOLD AWARD:** Afia Jahin Isha—Ana Salvador—Gabriela Kapusta—Caoimhe O'Neill  
PJ McHugh—Heidi Jones—Kathlyn Timmons—Laura Hennessy—Ella Matthews  
William Hayfron—Ruby Horahan—Adam Nolan—Eoin Hovenden—Ciara Hand  
Franeek Dobronski—Eoin Pender—Luke Hennessy



### PAPAL CROSS AWARD

Anna Crosby—Katelyn O'Reilly—Lisa McHugh—Marie O'Driscoll—Alessandro Hutton  
Matthew Hosey—Maeve Dempsey—Luke Kehoe—Brian Farrell—Paddy Walshe—Cathal Ronan

Our Youth Ministry team are seeking new participants for the JP II Award for 2024-2025. If you are in TY or upwards and would like to get involved in parish ministry, please get in touch.

### RUNNERS AND WALKERS WANTED FOR OUTRUN HUNGER 5K

Whether you run, jog, or walk you can help St Clare's Hospitality Food Kitchen "Outrun Hunger."

Sat Oct 19<sup>th</sup> 10am - Carlow Rugby Club, Oak Park, Carlow R93 RX25. Registration opens 8.30am. Refreshments & prize-giving afterwards in Carlow Rugby Club, T-shirts, medals & refreshments for all participants.

1. **Adult Entry: €20**
2. **U18 Entry: €5** - u18s must be accompanied by an adult.
3. **Team of 4 - Corporate Team Challenge Cup: €200** - any 4 adults from a business

So, lace up your runners and let's help those in our community who are experiencing food insecurity! For every €2 raised, we can provide a meal to those in need in St Clare's food Kitchen, Graiguecullen, Carlow.

Book your place today by logging on to [www.popupraces.ie/race/outrun-hunger](http://www.popupraces.ie/race/outrun-hunger) or call Jacqui on 0868283637 for more info.



### PRE-BAPTISM MEETING

Our next pre-baptism meeting will take place this coming **Monday 30<sup>th</sup> Sept @7pm** in the Parish Centre. All parents presenting their child for Baptism over the next few months are encouraged to attend.

### SAFEGUARDING MEETING

Is your child involved in any of our parish ministries?

On **Wed 2<sup>nd</sup> October** we invite all parents/guardians of children who are involved in our churches to come to an important safeguarding meeting **@7pm in St. Clare's church**. We uphold the utmost standard of safeguarding to create a safe environment for all our young people. Please join us as we explore this as a parish family.

## ANNIVERSARIES

*All anniversaries can be emailed to [gkparish@gmail.com](mailto:gkparish@gmail.com)*

**Saturday 28<sup>th</sup>**  
**6.30pm** Bernie Morgan, Bluebell Dublin (**First Anniversary**)  
Liam Culleton, St Fiacc's Tce  
Bill Deverill, 81 St Clare's Road  
Paddy & Maura Gillman, Duhallow Cooperhill  
Richard (Dick) Grant, 33 St Fiacc's Tce  
Minnie and Pat Regan, Church Street  
Martin Haughney, formerly Sleatty Street  
Michael Moran, Church Street & Cork  
Kathleen Donohue, 38 St Fiacc's Tce & deceased family

**Sunday 29<sup>th</sup>**  
**9am** Baby Laura Bradley, Colclough Ave (**Birthday Remembrance**)  
Molly Lyons, Sleaty  
Davy Lyons, Clonmore

**Holy Cross**  
**10.15am** Kay Young, Lucan & The Strand

**11.30am** Syl McDonald, Crossneen (**Months Mind**)  
Colette Morrissey, Ballyhide  
Peggy Olwill & husband John, Cloclough Ave  
Thomas & Molly Byrne, sons Sean & Charlie Ballybar  
Michael Moran, Church Street & Cork  
Niall Daly, Monasterevin

**Friday 4<sup>th</sup>** Lily O'Rourke, Crossneen  
Joseph Maher, Sleatty Street

**Saturday 5<sup>th</sup>** Bridget Procter, her husband Paddy & son-in-law Pat Hennessy,  
Coolraugh Ballickmoyler  
Cissie Byrne, O'Hanrahan Ave  
Denis Dowling, 27 The Numbers  
Ollie Byrne, Kingspark Long Island New York formerly the Numbers

**Sunday 6<sup>th</sup>**  
**9am** Lizzie Lawler, 22 St Fiacc's Tce

**Holy Cross**  
**10.15am** Clare McHugh, Springhill & Bagnalstown  
Patrick J. Brennan, Coolane Killeshin (**Birthday Remembrance**)  
Beatrice Walsh, Ballinard House, Lower Rossmore  
Michael Brennan, Upper Rossmore

**11.30am** Bridie Scully, Sleaty



**R.I.P**

**Michael Byrne, Grange Maganey**



## WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

21<sup>st</sup> / 22<sup>nd</sup> September

Red Bag €921

Blue Bag €1,575

Direct Debit €265

Tap Donations €87

*Thank You*



## ROSARY FOR WORLD PEACE

Every Thursday in October at 3pm in  
St Clare's Church. All are welcome.

## RAINBOWS

### BEREAVEMENT & PARENTAL SEPARATION PROGRAMMES

The Autumn Schedule of programmes for children and young people aged 7 to 16 who have suffered the loss of someone close to them, or, the separation of their parents will take place in Askea Parish Centre, **commencing on Monday October 7<sup>th</sup>.**

For further information contact  
Anne on 0876636499 or email:  
[carlowrainbows@gmail.com](mailto:carlowrainbows@gmail.com)

## VISIT OF THE RELIC OF ST BERNADETTE TO CARLOW CATHEDRAL

The Relics of St. Bernadette will visit the Cathedral, Carlow on Mon 7<sup>th</sup> Oct. The relics will be received by Bishop Denis at 10am Mass. A water ritual, with water from the Grotto is scheduled for 12 noon. Mass for the Sick and the Sacrament of the Sick will be celebrated at 3pm. The visit of the Relics will conclude with a torchlight procession at 8pm. The torch light procession will commence at both Holy Family Church, Askea, and St. Clare's Church, Graiguecullen.

The Relics may be visited throughout the day in the Cathedral which will remain open on the evening until 10pm, the visit of the relics concluding with a prayer of thanksgiving. The relics will visit the Church of St Peter and Paul, Portlaoise on Tues 8<sup>th</sup> Oct.

## FIRST FRIDAY

There will be a penitential service this Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October during 10am Mass.

## FEAST OF ST. FRANCIS

There will be a blessing with a relic of St Francis after Mass on his Feast Day, Friday 4<sup>th</sup> Oct.

## FEAST OF ST THERESE OF LISIEUX

There will be a blessing with a relic of St Therese of Lisieux after 10am Mass on her Feast Day, Tue 1<sup>st</sup> Oct. Blessed roses from the Poor Clare's Garden will **also** be available at this Mass.

## HOME VISIT

If you are housebound and would like a visit from a priest once a month, please contact the parish centre 059 9141833.

**KILLESHTIN TIDY TOWNS** are having a Cake Sale and Coffee Morning on Sun 6<sup>th</sup> Oct. in Killeshtin Community Hall at 11am. Please support by coming along on the morning or donating some baked goods. Cash only on Sunday please. For information on our Tidy Towns contact Eoin 087 7412748 or Louise 087 6213689.

## KILLESHTIN PIPE BAND 60<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

This Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> October in the Glenside. Music by Afterdark. Last few tickets available on Eventbrite. Guaranteed to be a great night!



## WATER AEROBICS

Graiguecullen Swimming Pool  
Mondays at 8.15pm  
Wednesdays 8pm  
Only €8. No pre-booking required.



## FAMILY MASSES

Special family Masses will take place next Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> Oct at 10.15am in Holy Cross and 11.30am in St. Clare's.



During these Masses, children preparing for First Confession & First Holy Communion will be enrolled into our parish preparation programme.

## COMMUNION TO THE SICK

Communion will be brought to the sick and housebound during this coming week.

**BLESSING OF PETS**  
To celebrate the feast of St Francis, Patron Saint of Animals and Pets (4<sup>th</sup> Oct) there will be a special blessing on **Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> October at 3pm** outside the Parish Centre and a drive-thru blessing will take place at 3.30pm (entrance from the Swimming Pool Car Park). People are invited to bring along their pets for this special blessing.

