#### **Recent Death:**

Lily Lawler (nee Coffey), Knocknagee, Castledermot

#### **Month Mind:**

Thomas Flynn, Killenane, Mass on Saturday 23rd March at 7.30pm in Leighlinbridge.

Patrick Dowling, Cloydagh, Mass on Sunday 31st March at 9.30pm in Ballinabranna.

#### 1st Anniversaries

Ben O'Neill, Lucan & Formerly Bawnree

#### **Anniversaries:**

Margaret White, Oldtown
Michael Meaney, Blackbush
Patrick McDonald, Cloydagh
Michael Monaghan, Ballinaboley
Vincent "Vinny" Moore, Rathvinden
Paddy & Mary Byrne, Castledermot
John Wynne, The Court House, Carlow
Michael Rea, Bagenalstown & Ballinabranna
William (Bill) O'Neil, The Ridge Road, Bilboa
Michael & Annie Doyle, Hightrees, Ballygowan
James (Jim) Clarke, 2 Carlow Road
Cathy Connolly, Wilson, New York
Maria Pöllmann, Bagagole, Germany

Michael Clarke, The Ridge Chrisdina Sheehy, Banagagole Bridie Bambrick, Monemore Jack Pierce, Augharue Joe Walsh, Raheendoran Kathy Daly, Rathellen Pat Byrne, Ballinabranna Pat Daly, Carlow Road Anthony Jackman, Tullow

#### **Notices**

<u>National Tree Week:</u> takes place from 31st March to 7th April 2019. Carlow County Council are hosting a FREE workshop entitled "The wonderous Willow Tree" which looks at the many species and uses of Willow, to support our wildlife and to enhance your garden or open space. The Workshop takes place on Thursday 4th April in St. Mary's Community House, Haymarket, Carlow from 10am -12noon. For further information contact Jannette O Brien 059 9136232

<u>Leighlin Craft Club:</u> day trip to The Square Shopping Centre Tallaght, Winnie's Craft Café and Springwools on Saturday 6th April. To book seats on the bus contact Jennifer on 087 8318156.

<u>Safeguarding:</u> If you have an issue with Safeguarding in the Parish please contact the DLP: Mick Daly 085 8021633 or email dlp@kandle.ie Local safeguarding Reps are Eileen Johnston, Michael Roche & Liz Dunne.

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# <u>Mass Times:</u> <u>Leighlinbridge</u>

Saturday 7.30pm Sunday 11am

Mon, Tues, & Wed 9.30am

## **Eucharistic Prayers**

Thurs & Friday 9.30am

Eucharistic Adoration Wednesday 2 - 5pm Friday 5 - 9pm

#### **Ballinabranna**

Friday 7.30pm Sunday 9.30am

Eucharistic Adoration Wednesday 2 - 3pm Friday 6.30 - 7.30pm

# LEIGHLIN PARISH NEWSLETTER

# 24TH MARCH 2019 THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

#### Loyalty

Loyalty means believing the good things that you know about your friends, even when your friendship is tested with unkind rumours.

Loyalty is when you do not join in the conversation when others speak in a nasty way about a friend of yours.

Loyalty is being able to remember good times you had with a friend, even if they do something to hurt you.

Loyalty means that you do not spread gossip among your friends. However, its not easy to be perfect and everyone makes mistakes.

If I had lived 2000 years ago, I do not think I would have been brave enough to speak out for Jesus when everyone was condemning Him.

Many people gathered and shouted "Crucify Him" when Jesus was in trouble.

They forgot about the stories of love Jesus had told, the many people He had healed and the gentle friendship he shared.

Sometimes, it is very easy to forget the good times we have had Loyalty is a very firm basis for friendship.

A loyal friend means that you have someone to rely on when things are difficult.

Let us ask Jesus - the most loyal of friends - to help us be loyal to one another.

<u>St Fintan's Church</u>			
	Readers	<u>Ministers</u>	
Sun 31st March	Josephine Fitzgerald	Mary Quinn	
9.30am	Betty Hughes	Josephine Fitzgerald	
Altar Servers	Grace Lawlor, Niamh Raftery, Kain McDarby,		
	Daniel Walsh, Lydia Keating		
Church	Catherine Ayres, Mary Dunne, Mary Brennan		
Cleaning			
Church Flowers	March	Angela Carter	
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<u>St Lazerian's Church</u>		
	<u>Readers</u>	<u>Ministers</u>
Sat 30th March	Martin Nevin	Shauna Murphy
7.30pm	Sharon Tuite	Mary Meaney
		Tommy Lawlor
Sun 31st March	Angela Roche	Marie Roche
11am	Ailish Lynch	Kathleen Cummins
		Noleen Doyle
Altar Servers	Alan Fitzgerald, Victor Harkin,	
	Ruarc O'Neill, James Roche, Casey Farrell,	
	Adam Doyle, Aaron McDonald	
Church Cleaning	Mary Murphy, Peter Kelly,	
	Lil Drea, Eileen Johnston	
Church Flowers	Reader for W	
March	Anne Kelly	Martin Nevin

### **Graveyard Masses 2019:**

Grave yard Masses 2017.		
Ballinabranna	Friday 28th June at 7.30pm.	
Tomard	Friday 12th July at 7.30pm.	
Ballyknockan	Monday 15th July at 7.30pm.	
Killinane	Friday 26th July at 7.30pm.	
Leighlinbridge	Sunday 4th August at 7.00pm.	
Old Leighlin	Friday 30th August at 7.30pm.	
Clody	Monday 2nd September at 7.30pm.	

**N.B.** Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March there will be no morning Mass

#### Day Care

Margaret Kelly John Lawlor

### G.F.C Lotto Old Leighlin

No's 1,15,22,25 No Winner Jackpot €10,000 Reserve €10,000 2nd Reserve €6150 Next week's draw in Pint Depot

### **Ballinabranna:**

No's 10, 17, 20, 24 No Winner Jackpot €10,000 Reserve €10,000 2nd Reserve €2,750

### <u>Leighlinbridge:</u>

No's 2,3,15,23 No Winner Jackpot €1400 Next week's draw in Brennan's

# <u>Collections</u> <u>17/03/19</u>

### Envelopes

L/B €640 B/B €185

### **Offertory**

L/B €587 B/B €280

#### NOTICES

Molaise Day: will be celebrated on Saturday 20th April at 4pm.

Our Ecumenical Service will begin in the Cathedral and process to the Holy Well.

Parish Draw: next Sunday 31st March. Parish office will be open next **Sat 30th from 2 – 5pm** to facilitate return of cards.

Leighlin Parish Community Alert/ <u>Text Alert:</u> Church Gate collection will be held on the 23rd & 24th March at Leighlinbridge and Ballinabranna churches. Please subscribe generously to help maintain the network.

#### Thinking of what to do for Lent?:

Bishop Denis is inviting all of us to take this time of Lent to reflect on our celebration of the Mass and to renew our own appreciation of the Sunday Mass as the highpoint of our Christian life. Over the weeks of Lent a whole suite of resources will continue to be added to on www.kandle.ie Look out for iCatholic videos, handouts for take home reading, as well as a parish based four night programme exploring the Mass. This is being hosted by a number of parishes across the diocese and is open to everyone. The nearest venue to us is: Leighlin.

### <u>Invitation to all parish choir</u> members re Chrism Mass Choir

Rehearsal: Fr Liam Lawton will lead a rehearsal for the Diocesan Choir this Sunday, March 24th in the Cathedral, Carlow from 3-5pm. This rehearsal will prepare the music to be sung at the Chrism Mass on Monday April 15 at 7:30. New members very welcome!

#### **Leighlinbridge & District Active Retired:**

Meeting Monday 25th in Parish Centre at 2.30pm. Refreshments followed by a Bingo Session. Our Summer Break of a 5-nights stay will be based in The Rose Hotel, Tralee 16th-21st June. Cost which includes transport, accommodation and daily tours is €415. Deposits of €50 being accepted now. For enquiries phone Maura 087-9732183.

#### Aoife Johnston 1st year student at NUIG

has been accepted on the Volunteer Eco Students Abroad Program and will be travelling to South East Asia this summer to take part in a sustainable community development project. She is seeking sponsorship in this regard and would like to address the congregation at the Masses next weekend, 30th and 31th March. Your support would very much be appreciated.

Ballinabranna/Milford/Raheendoran: are having a local Spring Clean on Saturday 30th March. Meeting in the Ballinabranna church car park at 10am. Event will take place from 10am-12pm. Wear high visibility vest and gloves if possible, bags are provided. Last year was a great success in collecting litter and bags of rubbish around the area. See our Facebook page - <a href="www.facebook.com/">www.facebook.com/</a> ballinabranna.milford.raheendoran

<u>Ballinabranna Parents Association:</u> would like to extend their thanks to all for the support shown during their recent clothes collection, in aid of Ballinabranna National School.

<u>Multiple Sclerosis:</u> Church gate Collection for Saturday 30th and Sunday 31st March. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

Rambling House: A night of music, dancing & story-telling in Ballinabranna Old School Hall on Wednesday 27th March at 8pm. All welcome.