Recent Deaths:

Olive Tonkin, buried in Manchester during the week.

1st Anniversaries:

Ann Kinsella (nee Pierce), 147 Heatherhill Downs, Graiguecullen, Carlow & formally Carlow Road, Leighlinbridge. Mass on Thurs 26th Dec at 11am in Leighlinbridge.

Anniversaries:

Maureen Lawlor, Bilboa
Tom Rudkins, Royal Oak
Davy Ellard, Wells
Betty Amond, Ballygowan
Bridget Patricia Nolan, Kyleshall
Molly Guntrip (nee Lawlor), Bilboa & London
Ger Dunne, Craanluskey
Neddy Brennan, Raheendoran
The Cleere Family, Tomard
Maureen Murphy, Snugboro. Old Leighlin
Patrick, Bridget & Denis Flynn, Killenane

Patrick Coffey, Craanluskey Neddy O'Neill, Old Leighlin Pat Foley, Banagagole Brendan Mulvey, Leighlinbridge Bridget Byrne, Craan



Notices

<u>Eist Cancer Support Centre:</u> will close for Christmas holidays on Friday 20th December at 1pm and reopen on Thursday 2nd January 2020 at 9am. We wish all our clients, their families and friends, a peaceful Christmas.

Accord Carlow: Pre-Marriage courses. Feb 7th & 8th, March 6th & 7th, April 3rd & 4th 2020. Book on line at www.accord.ie or phone Mary at 059 9138738 for further information. Counselling: Accord offers Marriage & Relationship Counselling by appointment. Our fully trained Counsellors are there to - Listen to you in confidence and help you find your solutions to your problems. Phone Mary at 059 9138738 for further details.

Carlow Choral Society Christmas Concert: "Joy to the World", Cathedral of Assumption Carlow, Sat 14th Dec, 8pm. Whitbourn's Missa Carolae, Handel's Hallelujah chorus -Zadok the Priest, O Holy Night and Sing along Carols. Accompanied by Dublin Brass ensemble, Yvonne Collier, Conductor Blanaid Murphy. Tickets €20, children free, available from www.eventbrite.ie, Hosey's Post Office, Staplestown Rd Carlow, Choir members and on the door.

<u>Safeguarding:</u> If you have an issue with Safeguarding in the Parish please contact the DLP at 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 & Thurs 9.30am

Eucharistic Prayers

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

15TH DECEMBER 2019 3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Christmas Ceremonies

Ecumenical Carol Service, in St Lazerian's Cathedral Old Leighlin Sunday 22nd December at 7pm

Community Celebration of Penance

Friday 20th December at 7.30pm in Ballinabranna (included as part of Penitential Rite of Mass)

Saturday 21st December (Vigil) at 7.30pm in Leighlinbridge

(included as part of Penitential Rite of Mass)

Christmas Eve

Tuesday 24th December 7.30pm Leighlinbridge Tuesday 24th December 9.30pm Ballinabranna

Christmas Day

Wednesday 25th December 9.30am Ballinabranna Wednesday 25th December 11am Leighlinbridge

Thursday St. Stephen's Day 26th 11am Leighlinbridge

Welcome & Blessing of Babies Baptised during 2019 on Sunday 29th December "Feast of the Holy Family" Mass in Leighlinbridge at 11.00 am

<u>St Lazerian's Church</u>		
	Readers	<u>Ministers</u>
Sat 21st Dec	Mary Meaney (M)	Seamus Sommers
7.30pm	Margaret Purcell	George Donoghue
_		Tommy Lawlor
Sun 22nd Dec	Gearoid Doheny	Peg Farrell
11am	Aoife Doheny	Aoife Doheny
		Peter Kelly
Tues 24th Dec	Breda Brennan	Jimmy Farrell
7.30pm	Celma Aughney	Christine Thompson
		Bridin Lawlor
Wed 25th Dec	Angela Roche	Paddy O'Brien
11am	Ailish Lynch	Anne Kelly
		Anita Duncan
Altar Servers	Kate Burke, Casey Farrell, Daniel Brennan,	
21st Dec 7.30pm	Tommy Dunne, Martin Earl, Russell Harkin,	
	Fionn Forde	
Altar Servers	Ethan Jenkins, Rhys Jenkins, Eimear O'Toole,	
22nd Dec 11am	Leah Cody, Naomie Kelly, Niamh Brennan	
Altar Servers	Julia Bandyk, Emily Hennessy, Bob Phelan,	
24th Dec 7.30pm	Ruby Brennan, Roisin Meaney,	
•	Dominika Szczotka	
Altar Servers	Liadh Nolan, Zach Dermody,	
25th Dec 11am	Joshua Dermody, Emily-Jane Kelly,	
	Ava McNally Kelly Clarke	
Church Cleaning	Dolores Rea, Marie Roche, Betty Dowling,	
	Kathy Haughney	
Church Flowers December	Mary Redmond	Reader for Week Peg Rice

Anniversaries & Notices: for the newsletter dated Sun 22nd and Sun 29th Dec need to be left into the Parish Centre office by 10am on **Thurs 19th Dec.** All anniversaries for this period will be printed on a separate sheet and placed on the noticeboard at the back of the Church.

Parish Envelopes: It would be appreciated if any outstanding donations to the Parish Envelope collections could be returned as soon as possible. It is coming towards the end of the year and the Parish wishes to complete the 2019 contributions.

Parish Office Opening Hours: office closing at 12.30pm on Friday 20th December and re-opening at 9.30am on Thursday 2nd of January 2020.

Day Care

Kathleen McNally Alice Fitzgerald

G.F.C Lotto Old Leighlin

No's 2,5,11,26 No Winner Jackpot €10,000 Reserve €10,000 2nd Reserve €10,000 Next week's draw in Sheerin's

Ballinabranna:

No's 2, 9, 22, 24 No Winner Jackpot €10,000 Reserve €4,650

Leighlinbridge:

No's 2, 7, 14, 15 No Winner Jackpot €4,400 Next week's draw in Brennan's

Collections 8/12/19 Envelopes

L/B €945 B/B €120

Offertory

L/B €652 B/B €220

Christmas Stations 4/12/19

L/B €225



St Fintan's Church			
	Readers	<u>Ministers</u>	
Sun 22nd Dec	Josephine Fitzgerald	Roisin Lowry	
9.30am	Betty Hughes	Pat Carter	
Tues 24th Dec	Liz Dunne,	Padraig Farrell	
9.30pm	Ellie Mulleney	Mary Hegarty	
Wed 25th Dec	Tom O'Keefe,	Mai Sheehan	
9.30am	Padraig Farrell	Mary Dunne	
Altar Servers Sun 22nd Dec 9.30am	Lily May Hosey, Rachael Connolly, Eva Dooley, Conor Dooley, Dara Tunstead, Indie Keating		
Altar Servers	Katie Sweeny, Abbie Condell, Naomi Picovici,		
Tues 24th Dec 9.30pm	Nicole Brennan Hennessy, Katie Jordan		
Altar Servers	Rachel Ayres, Karen Ayres, Laura Ayres, Oliver Walsh,		
Wed 25th Dec 9.30am	Katie Farrell, Blair Doyle, Teresa Dermody		
Church Cleaning	Phyllis Walsh & Sally Lawlor		
Church Flowers	December	Mary Dunne	

Needy Collection: If anyone wishes to contribute to the annual collection for distribution to those who are less well off in our parish, there is an envelope in your annual envelope pack. Alternatively use any envelope and mark it for the needy collection.

Scoil Molaise, Old Leighlin: will be holding their Annual Christmas Carol Service in St. Lazerian's Church, Leighlinbridge on Mon the 16th Dec at 6:30pm. All Welcome. The Parents Association will be holding a raffle on the night with a range of fantastic prizes to be won. All support greatly appreciated.

Care Of The Aged: would like to thank everyone involved with the Carol Service on the 8th Dec. We raised €605. A special thanks to the Arboretum and Helen Lynch. Marguerite Gaughan @ 086-3275291

Your next Blood Donation Clinic: will be Wed 18th, Thurs 19th & Mon 23rd Dec from 4.30pm - 8pm. Also Sun 22nd &

Fri 27th Dec from 11.30am - 3pm. At the Talbot Hotel, Carlow.

Leighlinbridge & District Active Retired:

Ecumenical Christmas Service Monday 16th in Parish Centre at 2.30pm. This is followed by an informal Christmas party and a Draw for the Special Holiday Prize won by our group at National Raffle recently. All members invited.

Ballinabranna GFC Awards Night: will take place on Saturday 28th Dec 2019. Commencing at 9pm. Finger food served. Music by Eoin O'Sullivan. All are welcome.

Carlow Family Support Group - You Are **Not Alone:** Drugs and Alcohol abuse effects families regardless of status in life. You did not cause it, you can't control it and you can't cure it. Help is available for those who live with this dreadful disease call 085 7872730.

Fresh Holly Wreaths: orders now being taken for fresh holly wreaths. €10 each. Contact

Women's self-defense and circuit **training:** in Bagenalstown every Thursday in the Japanese Marshal Arts center at 8.00 pm with Noel Amond. For more information contact 086 6097834. All welcome.