Recent Deaths:

Michael Foley, Townaslough Pat McArdle, Tomard, Milford

<u>Months Mind:</u> Sr Immaculata McCarthy, Mass on Saturday 25th March at 7.30pm in Leighlinbridge

First Anniversaries:

Margaret Moore, Ardough, Bilboa, Mass on Sat 18th March at 7.30pm in Leighlinbridge

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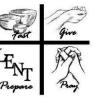
Ger Brennan, Royal Oak Paddy & Poll Foley & Sons, Milford Charlie Murphy, High Street Charles & Margaret Cummins, Dublin Richard Coady, Moyvalley William O'Neill, The Ridge Margaret & Geremiah O'Neill, Knockagarry Margaret White, Oldtown Tommy & Jenny Regan, Moanduff Michael & Annie Doyle, Ballygowan James (Jim) McDarby, Craanluskey Michael Meaney, Blackbush Alicia Kenna, St. Lazerian's Terrace Elizabeth Hughes, Ballinabranna Francis Kavanagh, Bawnree Margaret Dermody, Oldtown Paddy Tracey, Seskin Road Eileen Meaney, Monemore Jack Pierce, Augharue Pat Daly, Carlow Road Michael, Tess, Thomas Delaney, New Road & St. Lazerian's Tce. Mick & Bridie Lyons, Graiguecullen John & Kitty Aylward, Upper Tomard & Rathornan John Aylward Jr., Rathornan & Leeds Thomas Lawlor & deceased Family members, Coolnakeeran

<u>Notices</u>

Relocation of Bottle Banks in Leighlinbridge: In order to comply with Health & Safety requirements, Carlow County Council wishes to advise of the relocation of Bottle Banks in Leighlinbridge. Bottle Banks will be removed from their current location at the Primary school and will be relocated to a new site in the Car Park beside the Church. Carlow County Council apologise for any inconvenience caused.

Leighlin Fairtrade Voluntary Group: were formed to raise awareness about the issue of Fairtrade in the wider community. We have regular meetings the first Thursday of each month (excluding summer months) at 6pm in The Arboretum. We welcome new members to the group, if you are interested in getting involved simply come along to our next meeting on Thursday April 6th at 6pm.

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19TH MARCH 2017 3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

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Mass Times:

Leighlinbridge Saturday 7.30pm Sunday 11am Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 9.30am

Eucharistic Prayers Friday 9.30am

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

> <u>Ballinabranna</u> Sunday 9.30am Friday 7.30pm

Eucharistic Adoration Wednesday 2 - 3pm Friday 8 - 9pm

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.

"But whoever drinks the water I give, will never be thirsty." Are you thirsting for an understanding of your vocation?

<u>St Fintan's Church</u>		
	<u>Readers</u>	<u>Ministers</u>
Sun 26th March	Josephine Fitzgerald	Bernadette Dunne
9.30am	Betty Hughes	Sally Lawlor
		Anthony Walsh
		Elizabeth Hegarty
Altar Servers	Leah Connolly, John I	awlor, Oisin Pagnier,
	Aisling Walsh, Zac Gladney Brennan	
Church Cleaning	Catherine Ayres, Mary Dunne, Mary Brennan	
Church Flowers	March	Mary Dunne
	St Lazerian's Chu	<u>rch</u>
	Readers	<u>Ministers</u>
Sat 25th March	Maura Devine	Mary Meany (M)
7.30pm	Siobhan Haughney	Len Roche
-		Kathleen Lawlor
		Christine Thompson
Sun 26th March	Ann Nolan	Marie Roche
1am	Jennifer Harkin	Breda Aylward
		Kathleen Cummins
		Noleen Doyle
Altar Servers	Adam Collins, Sam Murphy, Stanislaw Ustinov,	
	Bronagh Nolan, Kasper Gniedziejko,	
	Jackie Prendergast	
Church	Margaret Purcell, Margaret Foley,	
Cleaning	Hannah Sieber, Mary Sullivan	
Church Flowers	Reader for We	
March	Ann Kelly	Sr of Mercy

Refugee Crisis: Anyone interested in helping to further the project of welcoming a refugee family to our area should come to a meeting on Thursday 23rd March in the Parish Centre at 7.30pm. A speaker from Carlow County Council who is experienced in settling refugees will attend. Fr. Lalor

World Meeting of Families: Pope Francis has personally chosen Dublin to be the host diocese for the World Meeting of Families from 21st- 26th August 2018. Planning for this great national and international celebration of faith is well underway. Hosting this important event requires an enormous amount of planning and funding. In this regard a 2nd national collection will be held on the weekend of 1st & 2nd April 2017. Your support for this collection would be greatly appreciated.

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Benediction: There will be Benediction every Wednesday during Lent in Leighlinbridge at 5pm at the end of Eucharistic Adoration. All are welcome.

CHRISM MASS 2017: You are warmly invited to join with Bishop Denis and the priests of the diocese in the Cathedral, Carlow at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, April 10 to celebrate the Chrism Mass the largest diocesan celebration held during the year!

Parish Draw Sunday 26th: Office will be open on Saturday 25th from 3 - 6pm to facilitate return of draw cards.

Cards: for First Communion & Confirmation now available in Parish Centre in support of Day Care. Only €1 each.

Care of the Aged: Meeting on Monday 20th of March at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre. Daffodil Day 24th March: Volunteers meeting to arrange daffodils on Thurs 23rd in Parish Centre @ 7pm. Donations of fresh daffodils would be very much appreciated. Please leave them in to Parish Centre early on Thurs 23rd.

Ridge Tug of War Club: Quiz night in Sheerin's Bar, the Ridge, Old Leighlin in aid of the Tug of war Club on Friday 31st March at 9.pm. Table of 4 €40. New members welcome. Contact 086 1594146.

Rambling House: A night of music, dancing & story-telling in the Old School Hall in Ballinabranna on Thursday 23rd March at 8.pm. Leighlin Parish Community Alert: Church gate collection will be held on Sat/Sun 25th & 26th March in Leighlin and Ballinabranna. Ballinabranna & Leighlinbridge Pioneers: Holding their annual collection at all masses this weekend 18th/19th March.

Leighlinbridge & District Active Retired: Meeting Mon. 20th in Parish Centre at 2.30. Refreshments followed by 4th session of Crochet and Knitting with Patricia O'Leary. Places still available for 5-nights Summer break to Quality Hotel Youghal, 11th-16th June. For

Kildare & Leighlin Diocesan Pilgrimage

enquiries ring Madeleine 086-4080286

to Lourdes 2017: 16th July-21st July 5 nights €719 pps led by Bishop of Kildare & Leighlin, Rev Denis Nulty. Leighlin Parish Group staying in The Panorama Hotel. Deposit €200. Application forms in the Parish Centre, 059 9722607.

Clothes Collection supporting Friends of

Calcutta: on Friday March 24th. Collecting Church Car Park Leighlin & Ballinabranna at Noon. All items of wearable clothing most welcome, shoes, curtains and bed sheets. This collection funds a wonderful sports event for 1500 children in Loreto Entally, Calcutta and to view a short DVD of this amazing event please visit www.friendsofcalcutta.com. All enquiries to Michael Hopkins 087-9073074

Line dancing Leighlinbridge ICA: Old school hall Thursday at 8:30pm. Contact Kathleen at 086 8957056.

The Parents Association of Scoil Molaise **Old Leighlin:** are hosting an Edward Hayden Cookery Demonstration fundraiser in the Lord Bagenal on Thursday March 23rd. Doors open 7.30 pm. Tickets cost €15 available from Anna Jordan 087-9452470, Karen Burke 087-9128570, Niamh Bambrick 087-6444719, Clara Fitzgerald 086-3914866, Edel Nolan 087-6704092 and Anne Callaghan 086-3979995. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

Glasses Found on the Barrow Track- please collect at Parish Centre.