

Recent Deaths:

Nellie Nevin, Carlow Road

Mary O'Connor (née Delaney) of Cloydagh and formerly of Leighlinbridge

Months Mind:

Paddy O'Keefe, Bagenalstown & Seskin Lower, Mass on Sunday 29th January at 11am in Leighlinbridge

Anniversaries:

Tim Meaney, Conicare

Mary Long, Closutton

Fr Eugene Kerrigan

John & Elizabeth Lowry, Clogrennane

Martin Deevy, Molaise Estate

Jim Maher Kyletock

Margaret Hennessey, Coolnakisha

Tom Darcy, Ballygowan

Anastacia Clarke, Carlow Road

Annie Kelly, Parknakyle

Jim & Kate Kehoe, Clondalkin

Bernadette (Bernie) Motley, formerly The Ridge & John Sweeney Park

Aidan Costello, Orchard

Thomas & Mary Lawlor, Bilboa Cross

Bridget & John Lawlor, Bilboa Cross

James McDonald, Raheendoran

James Rooney, Gorey

Pat & Stasia Brennan, Mortarstown

Seamus & Gertie Brennan, Las Vegas

Lilo McGrory, New York

Michael & James Meaney, The Ridge

Patrick Lawlor, Old Leighlin

Notices

Carlow Volunteer Centre seeks nominations for the Paddy Looney Memorial

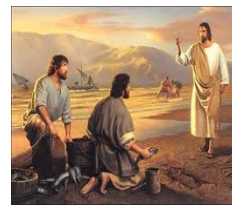
Volunteer Award: To mark the 10th Anniversary of Carlow Volunteer Centre, the Paddy Looney Memorial Volunteer Award was launched by Fr. John Dunphy P.P. Graiguecullen. Regina Duane Manager of the Centre "I was fortunate to be part of a group of individuals talking about volunteers, one individuals name kept recurring and that was Paddy Looney. Everyone spoke so positively about Paddy and the impact that he made in the Community. I was saddened to hear that he had passed away in 2014" As a way to Honour the Spirit of Volunteerism which Paddy encapsulated and to honour the wonderful volunteers in Carlow we are launching Paddy Looney Memorial Volunteer Award. Carlow Volunteer Centre are now seeking nominations for this Award. Individuals or organisations can nominate volunteers and nomination forms are available by contacting the centre directly on 059 9173033. Closing date for applications 10th February 2017.

BROADWAY Musical Show: – are you up for a bit of fun with your friends? Decap your hidden talents while helping Naomh Brid Hurling and Camogie raise funds. One nights practise per week until early March. Call or text NOW to 085-1962840." Or any committee member.

Ladies Art Classes: Contact 086-3768810.

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This year's **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity** (18- 25 January 2017) draws its inspiration from 2nd Corinthians 5:14-20; the love of Christ compels us towards reconciliation.

This year's texts prepared by the Christian Churches of Germany, are commemorating the 500th Anniversary of the Lutheran Reformation.

The fall of the Berlin Wall became a symbol of hope that, with the love of God, nothing is impossible or insurmountable.

There are fifty million Christians in Germany who, traditionally, have mostly belonged to the Roman Catholic Church or one of the Protestant State Churches. Recent developments, particularly the reception of refugees and asylum seekers, have begun to change this balance and other Christian traditions are needing expression. Whilst that which unites the churches is stronger than that which divides, there are still areas of difference in which the churches remain self-absorbed or construct new walls.

The text from 2 Corinthians announces that God has, in Christ, reconciled the world to himself. The love of Christ compels us to be ambassadors of this reconciliation, which is enacted by dismantling the walls. With the fall of the Berlin Wall, Germany experienced how a seemingly insurmountable wall could be brought down. The fall of this wall is a symbol of hope that, with the love of God, nothing is impossible.

"Reform your lives! The kingdom of heaven is at hand." Are you being called to proclaim the coming of the kingdom as a priest.

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Mass Times:

Leighlinbridge

Saturday 7.30pm

Sunday 11am

Wednesday 9.30am

Eucharistic Prayers

Mon, Tues, Thurs &

Friday 9.30am

Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday 2 - 5pm

Friday 5 - 9pm

Ballinabranna

Sunday 9.30am

Friday 7.30pm

Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday 2 - 3pm

Friday 8 - 9pm

<i>St Fintan's Church</i>		
	Readers	Ministers
Sun 29th Jan 9.30am	Mary Dunne Rita Keating	Bridie Keating Pat Carter Killian Amond Benny Amond
Altar Servers	Maria Kelly, Paddy Marnane, Sarah Delaney, Keara Minion, Ella Kennedy	
Church Cleaning	Angela Carter, Alice Fitzgerald	
Church Flowers	January	Phil Daly

<i>St Lazerian's Church</i>		
	Readers	Ministers
Sat 28th Jan 7.30pm	Maura Devine Siobhan Haughney	Mary Meaney (M) Len Roche Katherine Lawlor Christine Thompson
Sun 29th Jan 11am	Family Readers	Marie Roche Breda Aylward Kathleen Cummins Noleen Doyle
Altar Servers	Adam Collins, Sam Murphy, Stanislav Ustinov, Bronagh Nolan, Kasper Gniedziejko, Jackie Prendergast	
Church Cleaning	Dolores Rea, Marie Roche, Mary Clarke, Kathy Haughney, Betty Dowling	
Church Flowers	January	Reader for Week Bertie Hayes

Church Cleaning: Helpers needed for Leighlinbridge & Ballinabranna. Anyone interested in giving an hour or two of their time (once every 5/6 weeks) please contact Parish Centre 059 9722607.

Meals on Wheels: Volunteers required. Only 1 hour of volunteering every third week. Please contact Laura 085-6010312 or Margaret 087-2770478

Day Care

Kathleen McNally
Alice Fitzgerald

G.F.C Lotto

Numbers:

Old Leighlin

No's 2, 18, 19, 23
No Winner
Jackpot €9,200
Next week's draw
in Sheerin's

Ballinabranna:

No's 8, 9, 23, 26
No winner
Jackpot €10,000
Reserve €6,200

Leighlinbridge:

No's 4, 19, 21, 23
No Winner
Jackpot €2,300
Next week's draw in
Brennan's

Collections

15/01/17

Envelope

L/B €990

Offertory

L/B €526



NOTICES

Leighlin Parish Fund-Raising Draw: It's that time of year again when we begin our main fundraising event. Six monthly Draws. €60 per ticket or €10 per draw. Two extra draws in February for Promoters with full card. Prize €250 each. 1st Prize: €2000, 2nd Prize: €1000, 3rd-7th Prize: €200. The first draw will be held on Sunday 26th of February and all remaining draws on the last Sunday of March, April, May, June & July. Each draw will take place in the Parish Centre after 11am Mass. All enquiries to Leighlin Parish Centre on 059 9722607. New promoters required. This would help greatly ease the work load.

Are you concerned about suicide in Carlow?

: Be part of developing a suicide prevention plan for our county. Attend one of the following public meetings. Tues 17th Jan 10-12noon Bagenalstown, Family Resource Centre. Wed 18th Jan 2-4pm Teach Brid, Tullow. Wed 18th Jan 7.30-9.30pm Vocational School, Borris. Wed 25th Jan 7.30-9.30pm Cathedral Parish Centre, Carlow Town. Thurs 26th Jan 7.30-9.30pm Colaiste Eoin, Hacketstown. If you can't make the meeting have your say by filling out a quick survey on line @ www.surveymonkey.com/r/connectingforlifecarlow.

Enrolments: for the 2017-2018 school year will take place at Leighlinbridge National School from Monday 16th of January to Friday 27th of January inclusive, from 9.30am to 3pm. If you have a child due to commence school in September in Leighlinbridge N.S. please contact the school on 059/9721796. Alternatively you may visit us on line at www.leighlin.net to download an enrolment application form.
Unislim: Leighlinbridge Parish Centre. Full motivational talk. Tuesdays from 6.30pm to 7.30pm. Contact Barbara @ 087-2265530.

Leighlinbridge & District Active Retired:

Meeting Monday 23rd. in Parish Centre at 2.30. Refreshments followed by Session 3 of "Interior Design" given by Margaret Mellet. Registration Fee being collected all this month.

Leighlin Men's Shed: Now open. Monday's 10am – 12 noon. Thursday's 6pm – 8pm and Friday's all day.

Daffodil Day - Important Meeting: for all volunteers on Monday 23rd January at 8pm in the Parish Centre.

Leighlin GFC: registration night takes place on Friday 20th January at 8.30pm in the Parish Centre. Membership will be accepted on the night. €30 - non playing members & students and €60 for working person.

Cake Sale: in aid of Scoil Molaise Old Leighlin will take place after Masses this weekend in the Parish Centre.

Leighlinbridge Improvement Group:

Meeting Thursday 26th. in Parish Centre at 8pm. We will be reviewing last year's achievements and outlining a plan for 2017. So a good attendance would be greatly appreciated.

Your Local Scouting Group:

are looking for volunteer Leaders. The aim of Scouting is to encourage the positive development of young people so that they may achieve their full potential and as responsible citizens, improve society. This is your opportunity for fun, friendship, laughter and learning. If you're interested: contact any existing leaders, Pick up a flyer in the Parish centre or email: leighlinscouts@gmail.com

Carlow Flower Club: will host a demonstration with Helen Lucas D.Dip A.O.I.F.A. on Tuesday 31st January 2017 at 8.00 p.m. in the Woodford Dolmen Hotel, Carlow. Visitors welcome. Admission €7 for non-members.