Recent Death:

Kitty Brennan (nee Bambrick), The Ridge, Old Leighlin Bessie Power (nee Moore), Goresbridge, Co. Kilkenny

Months Mind:

Fr. Paddy Maher, The Rookery, Mass on Saturday 23rd December at $7.30 \mathrm{pm}$ in Leighlinbridge.

1st Anniversary:

Paddy O'Keeffee, Seskin Lower, Mass on Saturday 30th December at 7.30pm in Leighlinbridge.

Claire Reid, Bennekerry - 1st Anniversary.

Anniversaries:

Patrick, Ann & Matthew Lynch, Banagagole Anna & Michael Grannells, Ballinabranna Margaret Condron, Seskin Road Peg Haughney, St. Lazerian's Terrace Bob Carpenter, Knockabrannagh Elizabeth & Denis Nolan, The Ridge Patricia & Anne Bolger, Coolnakisha & Skerries Patrick Coffey, Craanluskey Mary Reidy, Carlow Anne & Bob Fetchko, Rathellen & New York James & Elizabeth Clancy, Ferbane Maureen & Peter Ryan, Nenagh Mai Bambrick, Banagagole Jack McNally, 10 Carlow Road William & Ellen Kelly, Killenane James & Margaret Howard James Meaney, Moanduff Elizabeth Pierce, Carlow Road Joseph & Sarah Dowling, Knocklonagad Des & Maureen Foley, Old Leighlin Patrick, Bridget & Michael Kelly, Rathellen Michael & Sheila Bolger, New Road Maura Burke (nee Farrell), Craanluskey McGrath & Cullen Families, Bagenalstown Rd Edward, Catherine & Edward Earl Clogrennane

John Haughney, Ballinaboley Edward Malone, Oak Park, Carlow Michael & Eleanor O'Hare, Armagh Liam & Mary Looby, Dublin Lena Byrne, Parknakyle Catherine Byrne, School Road Byrne Family, School Road Stephen Meany, Moanduff Mary Catherine Brennan, Old Leighlin Tommy Conran, Rathellen Patrick & Margaret Clarke, The Ridge Brigid Hughes, The Ridge Kavanagh Family, Monemore Davy Ellard, Wells Elizabeth & Denis Nolan, The Ridge Denis Nolan, The Ridge Elizabeth Nolan, Coolnakisha Jane Byrne, Rathornan Patrick & Margaret O'Brien, Craan Christy Dolan, Dublin & The Ridge Mary Nevin, London & Coolnakisha Adrian Rice, England Tom Comerford, The Ridge Susan Comerford, The Ridge

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Jenny & Thomas Doyle, Castledermot & formally St. Lazerian's Terrace

Michael, Tess & Thomas Delaney, New Road & St. Lazerian's Terrace

Michael & Elizabeth (Bess) Buckley, Bagenalstown Road



Contact Details:

Fr Tom Lalor 087 2360355 Deacon Patrick Roche 083 1957783 Parish Centre 059 9722607 Email: info@leighlinparish.ie

Mass Times: Leighlinbridge

Web & Live Webcam

Saturday 7.30pm Christmas Eve 7.30pm Christmas Day 11am Tues, Wed & Thurs 9.30am Eucharistic Prayers Friday 9.30am

Eucharistic Adoration Friday 5 - 9pm

Ballinabranna

Christmas Eve 10pm Christmas Day 9.30pm Friday 7.30pm

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

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24TH DECMBER 2017 CHRISTMAS EVE

Christmas Services

4th Sunday of Advent Sat 23rd 7.30pm Leighlinbridge

Christmas Eve Sunday 24th. 7.30pm Leighlinbridge Christmas Eve Sunday 24th. 10pm Ballinabranna Christmas Day Monday 25th. 9.30am Ballinabranna Christmas Day Monday 25th. 11am Leighlinbridge St. Stephen's Day Tuesday 26th. 9.30am Leighlinbridge

Saturday 30th December (Vigil) 7.30pm Leighlinbridge Sunday 31st December Feast of the Holy Family.

Ballinabranna Mass at 9.30am Leighlinbridge Mass at 11.00 am

Welcome & Blessing of Babies Baptised during 2017 at 11am Mass on Sunday 31st in Leighlinbridge



| <u>St Fintan's Church</u> | | | |
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| | <u>Readers</u> | <u>Ministers</u> | |
| Sun 31st Dec | Mary Dunne | Bridie Keating | |
| 10.00pm | Rita Keating | Daniel Pender | |
| | | Killian Amond | |
| | | Benny Amond | |
| Altar Servers | Ella Kennedy, Grace Lawlor, Lydia Keating, | | |
| | Jack Twomey, Daniel Walsh | | |
| Church Cleaning | Claire Jackson, Loretta McNally, Ann Proctor, | | |
| | Valerie Haughney | | |
| Church Flowers | December | Phil Daly | |

| St Lazerian's Church | | | |
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| | Readers | <u>Ministers</u> | |
| Sat 30th Dec | Breda Brennan | Seamus Somers | |
| 7.30pm | Celma Aughney | Gorge Donoghue | |
| | | Jimmy Farrell | |
| | | Bridín Lawlor | |
| Sun 31st Dec | Angela Roche | Maire Roche | |
| 11am | Ailish Lynch | Kathleen Cummins | |
| | | Noleen Doyle | |
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| Altar Servers | Frank Doran, Victor Harkin, Aaron McDonald, | | |
| | James Roche, Noel Meaney, Charlie Nolan, | | |
| | Jamie Brennan | | |
| Church Cleaning | Margaret Purcell, Margaret Foley, | | |
| | Hannah Sieber, Mary Sullivan | | |
| Church Flowers | Ann Vally | Reader for Week | |
| December | Ann Kelly | Sister of Mercy | |

Parish Office Opening Hours: office closing at 12.30pm on Friday 22nd December and re-opening at 9.30am on Tuesday 2nd of January 2108.

Family Wish: for Christmas 2017, simply fill in a tag and hang on the Christmas tree in either Church.

Merry Christmas from all in the Parish Office.

Day Care

Closed until 9th January 2018

G.F.C Lotto Old Leighlin

No's 5.13.17.28 No Winner Jackpot €10,000 Reserve €6,400 Next week's draw in Pint Depot.

Ballinabranna:

No's 7,9,11,13 No winner Jackpot €10,000 Reserve €8,500

Leighlinbridge:

No's 3,10,14,19 No Winner Jackpot €7,100 Next week's draw in Brennan's

Collections 17/12/17

Envelope

L/B €2,335 B/B €115 B/B €225 - 10/12/17

Offertory

L/B €597 B/B €319 B/B €280 - 10/12/17

Shrine

B/B €285

Christmas Stations

L/B €270 B/B €280

NOTICES

The Lourdes Invalid Committee: wish to thank everyone who supported the draw, ticket sellers and all who donated prizes for draw.

Thank you to everyone who supported:

the Ballinabranna/Milford/Raheendoran development group in 2017. We appreciate it very much. We are delighted that our points increased by 8 in the Tidy Towns competition this year. 4 new Oak trees were set in Ballinabranna village in December. We would like to wish you a Happy Christmas and a Happy New Year 2018 and we look forward to your support in the New Year.

Old Leighlin Community Gym

Committee: would like to thank all our members for their support in 2017. New members always welcome. Our state of the art gym offers very competitive rates; €5 drop in session, €30 one month membership, €75 for 3 months membership. Just a reminder that the gym will be closed on Friday 22nd December and re-open on Tuesday 2nd January 2018. Find us on facebook or call the gym directly at 059 9720770.

Leighlinbridge National School Parent's

Association: are holding a clothing collection fundraiser for the National Centre for the Blind. Proceeds from this fundraiser will go to our school. Clothes, bed linen, curtains, belts, paired shoes & handbags all accepted. They can be dropped off at the Old School Hall in Leighlinbridge on Saturday 20th January from 7.30pm – 8.30pm & Sunday 21st January from 11.30am - 12.30pm. Many thanks for your support.

Old Leighlin Basketball club: men's team are holding a fundraising table quiz in Sheerin's Bar The Ridge on Friday 29th December at 9pm. Tables of four €20. Raffle will be held on B/B \notin 400 - 10/12/17 the night. Always a great night out.

Old Leighlin Tidy Towns: St. Stephen's Day annual family 6k (ish) fun run. 2k kiddies run, €5 per person, €10 per family. Meet in Old Leighlin Community hall to register from 11.30am. Start 12 noon. Dogs welcome but must be on leads. Prizes, music & all the mince pies you can eat! Under 14's must be accompanied by an adult.

All notices for Newsletter dated 31st December must be in by 10am Wednesday 27th December.

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

Leighlin Pharmacy Opening Hours:

Sat 23rd Dec 8.30am – 6.30pm. Sun 24th Dec 8.30am – 4.30pm. Mon 25th & Tues 26th - CLOSED. Wed 27th Dec 9am -1pm. Sun 31st Jan 11am – 12pm. Mon 1st Jan 2018 – CLOSED. Tues 2nd Jan Normal working hours. We wish all our customers a Happy Christmas & a Prosperous New Year.

St. Patrick's College Carlow: are running an Irish Local History Evening Course from 18th January 2018 – 8th March 2018, every Thursday, from 7-9pm. For more information please contact: Alison Brennan on 059 9153200 or e-mail AHayden@CarlowCollege.ie or see www.CarlowCollege.ie.

Found: 2 latch keys on a rubber wrist band were found on the road near the Arboretum. Please Contact the Post Office on 059 9721101.

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