



# LEIGHLIN PARISH NEWSLETTER

24TH MAY 2015  
PENTECOST SUNDAY

## Recent Death:

Lena Clarke (née Kelly) The Ridge, Old Leighlin  
Pauline Fitzpatrick (née Murphy) Graiguecullen and formerly Snugboro, Old Leighlin

## Months Mind:

Thomas McDonnell, Rathellen, Mass on Sunday 24th May at 11am in Leighlinbridge

## First Anniversaries:

Michael Comerford Craanluskey, Mass on Sunday 24th May at 9.30am in Ballinabranna

## Anniversaries:

Máire O'Hare, Leighlinbridge	John Pender, Kilcock
Mary McDonnell, Killenane	Billy Byrne, Craan Lane
Anastasia Kearney, Ballinaboley	Martin Curran, Old Leighlin
Mary Higgins Connolly, New York	John Amond, Ballygowan
Bernadette Comerford, The Ridge	Brendan McNally, Tobinstown
John, Elizabeth, Michael & Bridie Byrne, Tomard	
George, Margaret, Michael, Elizabeth Redmond, Raheendoran	
Thomas & Ellen Codd & Family, London	

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**Thank You:** A Sincere word of thanks to all who expressed sympathy, offered prayers, sent cards, attended the funeral etc on the occasion of my brother Joe's death. Your sympathy is much appreciated. Fr Lalor pp.

## Graveyard Masses 2015:

Ballinabranna - Friday 26th June	/ Leighlinbridge - Sunday 2 <sup>nd</sup> August
Ballyknockan - Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> July	/ Old Leighlin - Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> August (TBC)
Tomard - Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> July	/ Cloydagh - Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> August
Killenane - Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	

## Notices

**Fun in the Sun at Little Orchard Community Crèche:** Mark your calendars for our annual summer camps. Running from 6th July-31st July 9.30-12.30.

Week 1. 6th-10th July: Arts & Crafts

Week 2 13th-17th July: Sports

Week 3. 20th-24th July: Drama

Week 4. 27th-31st July: Baking

Camps will be approx. €30 per week, a deposit of €10 will be required to secure places.

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## Mass Times:

Leighlinbridge  
Saturday 7.30pm  
Sunday 11am  
Mon, Tues, Weds, &  
Thurs 9.30am

Eucharistic Prayers  
Fri 9.30am

Eucharistic Adoration  
Friday 6.30pm - 9.30pm

## Ballinabranna

Friday 7.30pm  
Sunday 9.30am

Eucharistic Adoration  
Fri 8 - 9pm

## Pentecost Sunday

Pentecost Sunday commemorates the coming of the Holy Spirit to the apostles.

Jesus promised He would send help and guidance to the apostles in their work of spreading the word of the Lord.

The Holy Spirit was that help.

The Holy Spirit enriched the apostles with gifts that transformed their lives and they became abundantly equipped to carry on Jesus' work on earth.

We ask the Holy Spirit to enrich our lives today and shine from us as we try to lead by example and live like Christ.

*"Come Holy Spirit, I beseech thee, to fill my life with your gifts, that I may always be guided by your holy inspiration and lead a life like Christ.*

*As I wander through each day let your gifts ease my troubles and strengthen my heart that I may be thankful for all the Father has provided for me,*

*And that I may be encouraged to spread the news of salvation through Jesus Christ. Amen."*

<u><b>St Fintan's Church</b></u>		
	<u><b>Readers</b></u>	<u><b>Ministers</b></u>
<b>Sunday 31st 9.30am</b>	Terence Farrell Betty Hughes	Mary Quinn Josephine Fitzgerald
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Amanda Walsh, Shannon Dermody, Kellie Kinsella, Joseph Eccles, William Walsh, Peter Mulleney	
<b>Church Cleaning</b>	Phyllis Walsh, Sally Lawlor	

<u><b>St Lazerian's Church</b></u>		
	<u><b>Readers</b></u>	<u><b>Ministers</b></u>
<b>Saturday 30th 7.30pm</b>	Mary Meaney (M) Jordan Kelly	George Donoghue Mary Meaney (B)
<b>Sun 31st 11 am</b>	Mandy Ryan Sr of Mercy	Marie Roche Breda Aylward
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Sean Nolan, Jamie Doyle, Chloe Doyle, Sean Raftry, Sinead Raftry	
<b>Church Cleaning</b>	Josie O'Mara, Ellen Whelan, Caroline O'Neill, Karen Gibbons	
<b>Church Flowers May</b>	Breda Aylward	<b>Reader for Week</b> Sr of Mercy

**Retires Priest's Collection:** takes place at all Masses this weekend.

**Parish Reach-Out Campaign:** The campaign to visit every house in the Parish will require about 40 volunteers. We now have 23 volunteers and with that number it would not be possible to cover the entire Parish. It is envisaged that teams of two will call to every house and bring with them our new Parish booklet, which gives information on all activities and groups in the Parish. **A meeting will take place for all volunteers on Monday, May 25th at 8pm in the Parish Centre to plan the roll out of the campaign. It would be great if some new people came along so that we will have enough to cover all areas of the Parish. Fr Lalor**

### **Day Care**

Kathy Haughney  
Mary Sullivan

### **G.F.C Lotto**

**Numbers:**  
**Old Leighlin**  
No's 8, 11, 12, 18  
No winner  
Jackpot € 6,150  
Next week's draw  
in Carey's

### **Ballinabranna:**

No's 8, 12, 13, 22  
No winner  
Jackpot €10,000

### **Leighlinbridge:**

No's 1, 5, 16, 26  
No Winner  
Jackpot €1,400  
Next week's draw  
in Brennan's

### **Collections**

**17/05/15**

### **Weekly Envelope**

L/B € 665  
B/B € 215

### **Offertory**

L/B €393  
B/B €125

### **Shrine**

L/B €120

## **NOTICES**

**Parish Draw:** next Sunday 31st. Parish Office will be open on Sat 30th May from 3pm - 6pm to facilitate return of draw cards.

**6th Class Talk:** The annual Cuain Mhuire talk for 6th Class pupils from the Parish and their parents takes place in the Parish Centre on Tuesday May 26th at 7.30pm. Cuain Mhuire facilitates the recovery of people with addictions through a residential programme. Part of the recovery process for clients of Cuain Mhuire is to be available to speak to others about their story. In previous years pupils and parents that attended found this a very rewarding experience. It is a requirement that at least one parent attends as they are in the best position to discuss the issues with their child and help them with any questions they might have. The talk will last about an hour and there will be refreshments afterwards and an opportunity to interact with the speakers. Deacon P Roche

**Exam Mass:** for all students and their families on Sat May 23rd @ 7.30pm. Candle & Prayer will be available at same.

**Eucharistic Adoration:** What is Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament?, and why is it being renewed in this Parish. Find out at Masses June 13th & 14th.

**St Clare's Hospitality Food Bank:** we are suspending collections of food for the present here in Leighlin and will probably resume them again later in the year. Thank you to all who supported this worthy cause. Fr Lalor  
**Pioneer News:** Congratulations to Leighlinbridge Pioneer centre on receiving the Gradam Award for the 15th time for their Centre.

**Carlow Regional Pioneers:** monthly meeting for May will be held in Goresbridge on Sat 30th May. Mass 7.30pm. Annual insurance draw will take place after meeting. Congratulations also to Goresbridge on winning the Gradam Award.

**Leighlinbridge and District Active Retired:** Meeting in Parish Centre Monday 25th. at 2.30. A talk on the subject of Gardening will be given by Harry O'Brien. Places still available for November break to Waterford. For enquiries ring 0599721048.

**Graveyard Mass:** in Kilgorey, Crettyard on Sunday 24th May @ 3pm.

### **Couch to 5km Boot camp in Ballinabranna**

**GFC** Thursday May 28th for 8 weeks. Contact Marie 087-2929588 & Gemma 085-7430286.

**Naomh Brid:** recycling collection on Sat June 6<sup>th</sup> 11am – 12noon in the Superbowl. All unwanted clothes, shoes, bedlinen, towels, laptops & mobile phones accepted. GAA club draw tickets now on sale €20 per month x 5 months. 1st prize car value €14,000

**Carlow Neuromuscular Clinic:** Assessment and Rehabilitation. For appointments ring Tony Devine 086 3566180 or 059 9721447.

**The Eist Cancer Support Centre:** Coffee Morning will be held in the centre on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> May at 11.30am. All are welcome.

**Rory Johnston:** is a UCD student volunteering in the small village of Mikumi, Tanzania this summer with UCD Volunteers Overseas. He will be speaking briefly about the project at all Masses next weekend and will also be holding a collection afterwards. He needs to raise €2,500 in total which will be allocated to the costs of projects such as the construction of schools, houses, educational resources, physiotherapy equipment etc. In 2009, UCDVO sent a group of volunteers to Morogoro, a neighbouring town. Since then, volunteers have continued to work on computer education programmes, classroom refurbishments, summer camps for children, distribution of books and educational resources, as well as the construction of a basketball court at Kihonda secondary school. UCDVO partners with Camara Education for the collection, refurbishment and transport of computers from Ireland.