

Recent Death:

Sr. Immaculata McCarthy, Convent of Mercy, Leighlinbridge & Carlow

Months Mind:

Mary Wall, Rathellen, Mass on Saturday 25th February at 7.30pm in Leighlinbridge

First Anniversaries:

Michael Kelly, High Street, Mass on Sunday 5th March at 11am in Leighlinbridge

Anniversaries:

Wilhelm Sieber, Banagagole	Kathleen Byrne & Michael Raheendoran
Johanna Brennan, Royal Oak	Elizabeth Delaney, Raheendoran
Thomas Nolan, Main Street	James Delaney, Raheendoran
Mary McGrath, Carlow Road	Elizabeth Delaney, England
John Lennon, Knockbawn, Old Leighlin	Maura Smyth, Dublin
Owen & Mikie Keating, Ballinabranna	Louise Rea, Old Leighlin
Keating Family, Ballinabranna	Philip Sheehy, Mullinavat
Marie Burke, Oak Park, Carlow	Frank Flynn, Killenane
Bridget Byrne, Ballinabranna	Charles Murphy, High Street
Mary McDonald, Ballinabranna	Patrick Flynn, Killenane & England
John & Kathleen Moran, Powerstown	James Flynn, Killenane & Ratheaden
Patrick & Teresa Kelliher, Dungarvan	James Watchorn, Craanluskey
Edward McDonald, Johnduffswood	Nancy Geraghty, Raheendoran
Margaret McDonald, Johnduffswood	Elizabeth Geraghty, Clonmelsh
Sheila Leonard, Drumree, Co Meath	
Raymond & Margaret O'Leary, St Lazerian's Tce	
John Joseph Moore, Rathvinden & Swindon	
Colleen Flynn (nee Moore), Seskin Road & Rathvinden	
Billy & Hannah McGrath, Rathellen	
Tommy, Molly, Thomas & Pat Conran, Rathellen	
Edward, Catherine & son Edward Earl, Clogrennane	



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**26TH FEBRUARY 2017
8TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

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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

Ballinabranna
Sunday 9.30am
Wednesday 7.30pm
Friday 7.30pm

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

Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of Lent.

On this day we begin our Lenten journey to Easter.

It is one of two fast days in the church year.

On Ash Wednesday the priest blesses the ashes. These ashes are made from the palms which were blessed on Palm Sunday last year.

Ash Wednesday is not a Holy Day of Obligation but many people attend church on this day to be marked with the sign of the cross.

Ashes are an ancient symbol of repentance; penitents wore 'sackcloth and ashes' to show that they were in need of forgiveness and that term is still in common usage today.

Ashes also remind us that our life on earth will come to an end and that our eternal life with God will then begin.

This is what we believe happens in baptism and so the beginning of our Lenten journey is inextricably linked to our baptismal journey.

The sign of the cross is made as the ashes are put on our foreheads. The priest or the minister says 'Repent, and believe in the Gospel,' or similar words.

The signing with ashes reminds us of our dying to the old way of life in baptism and challenges us to live our lives in the light of faith.

"Thus should one regard us, as servants of Christ". Are you being called to serve the Lord and others in the priesthood?

<i>St Fintan's Church</i>		
	<u>Readers</u>	<u>Ministers</u>
Sun 5th March 9.30am	Terence Farrell Daniel Pender	Bridie Keating Pat Carter Killian Amond Benny Amond
Altar Servers	Leah Connolly, John Lawlor, Oisín Pagnier, Aisling Walsh, Zac Gladney Brennan	
Church Cleaning	Annie Dermody, Kathleen McNally, Mai Sheehan, Noel Delos Reyes	
Church Flowers	March	Mary Dunne

<i>St Lazerian's Church</i>		
	<u>Readers</u>	<u>Ministers</u>
Sat 4th March 7.30pm	Maura Devine Siobhan Haughney	George Donoghue Mary Meaney Tommy Lawlor Jimmy Farrell
Sun 5th March 11am	Benny Mills Barbara Kinsella	Peg Farrell Aoife Doheny Peter Kelly Anita Dunican
Altar Servers	Emer Aughney, James Maher, Holly O'Mara, Eoin Canavan, Deborah Doran, Mia Doyle	
Church Cleaning	Dolores Rea, Marie Roche, Mary Clarke, Kathy Haughney, Betty Dowling	
Church Flowers March	Ann Kelly	Reader for Week Bertie Hayes

The Leighlin Voluntary Fairtrade Group: are delighted to invite you all to a free Fairtrade Coffee morning in the Parish Centre on Sunday February 26th from 11.30am onwards. The annual Fairtrade fortnight runs from February 27th to March 12th and this year's campaign is focusing on Fairtrade practices in the workplace. We look forward to seeing you all there!

Day Care

Kathleen McNally
Alice Fitzgerald

G.F.C Lotto

Numbers:

Old Leighlin

No's 1, 17, 22, 28
No Winner
Jackpot €9,950
Next week's draw
in Carey's

Ballinabranna:

No's 5, 7, 14, 24
No winner
Jackpot €10,000
Reserve €6,450

Leighlinbridge:

No's 3, 14, 18, 24
No Winner
Jackpot €2,800
Next week's draw in
Brennan's

Collections

19/02/17

Envelope

L/B €520
B/B €230

Offertory

L/B €600
B/B €225

Shrine

B/B €237

NOTICES

Benediction: There will be Benediction every Wednesday during Lent in Leighlinbridge at 5pm at the end of Eucharistic Adoration, beginning on Ash Wednesday March 1st. All are welcome.

Webcam: The Webcam has not been working properly recently because of an issue with broadband. We are waiting on Eir to come to sort it out, so hopefully it will be back shortly.

Leighlinbridge NS Parents Assoc.: Church gate collection in aid of the school on Saturday 25th & Sunday 26th of February. Please support.

Care of the Aged Breakaway 2017: Our break this year is from the 12th to 16th of June, going to The Falls Hotel, Ennistymon, Co. Clare. Cost €310 for Hotel and Coach + €15 extra for single room. Numbers are limited. Anyone interested in travelling please give your name to a Committee member or to the Parish Centre. Closing date is 15th May.

The 21st Pioneer National Ball: takes place on Sat 8th April 2017, in the Sheraton Athlone Hotel, after 6.30pm Mass in St. Mary's Church, Athlone. Tickets €30. Guest Speaker: Jim Bolger. Music by Nite Fever. For tickets/information - contact Brenda Lynch 087-6189411 or Dermot Fagan 085-7201646. There's more information on our facebook page: Leinster Pioneers.

Ballinabranna Water Co-Op Society Ltd:

AGM of will be held in Ballinabranna Clubhouse on Monday 27th February 2017 at 8.30pm. All members are asked to attend.

St. Joseph's Young Priests Society: meeting Wed 1st March @ 8.15pm in Ballinabranna.

Leighlinbridge & District Active Retired:

Meeting Monday 27th in Parish Centre at 2.30. Refreshments followed by Session 2 of Crochet and Knitting course with Patricia O'Leary. Summer break to Quality Hotel, Youghal, Co Cork 11th -16th June. Deposit of €50 secures your place. For enquiries phone Madeleine 086 4080286.

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 appreciated.

Old Leighlin Men's & Ladies GFC Dinner

Dance: The Lord Bagenal Hotel on Sat. the 11th of March @ 8pm. Music by "FIESTA" on the night. We will be celebrating our successes on the field in 2016. Tickets available from both Men's and Ladies Committees.

Baby & Toddler Group every Monday morning (Parish Centre) from 10 -12. All caring for young children & babies welcome to join us for a cuppa, while the little ones play together. Contact Lisa 087 6125041 or just pop in.

The Ballinabranna/Milford/

Raheendoran Development Group: AGM is taking place on Thursday 2nd of March at 8.30pm in the club house. It would be great to get more people involved. Anyone interested in helping even in a small way to enhance the area is very welcome. Many thanks to Aidan Lowry and Owen Keating for setting new hedging in the village of Ballinabranna in February.