

Months Mind:

Michael Rea, Craanluskey, Mass on Sunday 3rd May at 9.30am in Ballinabranna

First Anniversaries:

P. J. Dowling, Tomard, Mass on Sunday 3rd May at 11am in Leighlinbridge

Anniversaries:

Kathleen Byrne, Ballinaboley	Anne Murphy, High Street
Tom & Patsy Kelly, Parknakyle	Michael Lyons, Graiguecullen
Ella McArdle, Tomard	Eugene Clarke, Carlow Rd
Kitty & Pat Doheny, Kilrush, Freshford	John McDonald, Lacken
Catherine Fitzgerald, Station Rd, Borris	Dick Malone, Raheendoran
Peter, Bridie & Tom Mulrooney, Bawnogue	Tom Carpenter, Old Leighlin
Annie Kearney, Bawnogue	John Bolger, Royal Oak
Ned Irwin, Bawnogue	Mary Lynch, Old Leighlin
Frank, Bridget & Ann Kavanagh, Bawnree	
Mary Mullins, Harrow Cross, 1st Anniversary 24th April	
Sheila Butler (née Smullen) formerly of Monemore	

Notices

Found: on Easter Monday between 4.45pm & 5.30pm in playground beside Church child's Samsung phone. Contact Parish Centre.

Medjugorje Irish Centre: 7 nights B & B, flight and transfer for €566 on 6th, 11th and 18th May. Contact 0144 345 10

The Eist Cancer Support Centre is open: Tues to Thurs from 9.30am to 4pm. We are having an Open Evening at 6.30pm at the Centre on Tuesday 28th April 2015. We would like you to join us, as we not only want to thank you personally but also we would like to share with you our continued vision for Eist to serve our community. Please contact us at: Eist Cancer Support Centre Carlow, The Waterfront, Mill Lane, Carlow Town. Website: www.eistcarlowcancersupport.ie Ph: 059 91 39684.

It's Mini Marathon Time Again: Mary and Geraldine are calling on walkers/joggers and serious runners to come and join the Eist Cancer Support Centre group this year. Free Bus & Tee shirts. Contact Mary on 085 1440510 for sponsorship cards.

Lady Gregory: The Life and Legacy of an amazing Galway Woman by Tale of the Gael with Guests Robert Tobin, flute and Deirdre Starr, Voice. George Bernard Shaw Theatre, Carlow, Weds May 13th @ 7.30pm.

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**26TH APRIL 2015
VOCATIONS SUNDAY**

***MESSAGE OF POPE FRANCIS
FOR THE 52nd WORLD DAY OF PRAYER
FOR VOCATIONS***

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Theme: Exodus, a fundamental experience of vocation

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

The Fourth Sunday of Easter offers us the figure of the Good Shepherd who knows his sheep: he calls them, he feeds them and he guides them. For over fifty years the universal Church has celebrated this Sunday as the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. In this way she reminds us of our need to pray, as Jesus himself told his disciples, so that "the Lord of the harvest may send out labourers into his harvest" (*Lk 10:2*). Jesus command came in the context of his sending out missionaries. He called not only the twelve Apostles, but another seventy-two disciples whom he then sent out, two by two, for the mission (cf. *Lk 10:1-6*). Since the Church "is by her very nature missionary" (*Ad Gentes, 2*), the Christian vocation is necessarily born of the experience of mission. Hearing and following the voice of Christ the Good Shepherd, means letting ourselves be attracted and guided by him, in consecration to him; it means allowing the Holy Spirit to draw us into this missionary dynamism, awakening within us the desire, the joy and the courage to offer our own lives in the service of the Kingdom of God.

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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

<u><i>St Fintan's Church</i></u>		
	<u>Readers</u>	<u>Ministers</u>
Sunday 3rd 9.30am	Mary Dunne Watt Dunne	Anthony Walsh Elizabeth Hegarty
Altar Servers	Amanda Walsh, Shannon Dermody, Kellie Kinsella, Joseph Eccles, William Walsh, Peter Mulleney	
Church Cleaning	Angela Carter, Alice Fitzgerald	

<u><i>St Lazerian's Church</i></u>		
	<u>Readers</u>	<u>Ministers</u>
Saturday 2nd 7.30pm	Sr of Mercy Margaret Purcell	Mary Meaney (M) Tommy Lawlor
Sun 3rd 11 am	Ann Nolan Jennifer Harkin	Tanya D'Souza Kathleen Cummins Noleen Doyle
Altar Servers	Sean Nolan, Jamie Doyle, Chloe Doyle, Sean Raftry, Sinead Raftry	
Church Cleaning	Olive Townsend, Bridget Monaghan, Phil Byrne	
Church Flowers May	Breda Aylward Peg Rice	Reader for Week Peg Rice

Invalids: will be attended on Tues 5th May and Weds 6th May in the usual order.

Parish Reach-Out Campaign: As part of a Parish reach-out I hope that every house in the Parish will receive a visit from a Parish visitation team. The team will call to every house and bring with them our new Parish booklet, which gives information on all activities and groups in the Parish. To complete this campaign we need to put a team of people together who will take on areas to visit. A meeting of all who are interested in helping out will take place on Thursday April 30th at 8pm in the Parish Centre. Please come along if you can spare a few hours to help out with this important campaign. Fr Lalor

Day Care

Mary Kehoe
Mary Brennan

G.F.C Lotto

Numbers:

Old Leighlin

No's 14, 15, 18, 28

No Winner

Jackpot €5,550

Next week's draw

in Carey's

Ballinabranna:

No's 11, 18, 22, 27

No winner

Jackpot €10,000

Leighlinbridge:

No's 5, 7, 9, 11

One Winner

Jackpot €1,000

Next week's draw

in Brennans's

Collections

19/04/15

Weekly Envelope

L/B € 1305

B/B € 640

Offertory

L/B €180

B/B €275

Easter Station &

Collection

L/B & B/B € 650

Shrine

L/B € 70

NOTICES

Daffodil Day: Thanks to all the volunteers and a very big thank you to all who donated fresh daffodils. The amount raised in the Leighlinbridge area was €5,310.

Preliminary Notice: Field Day in aid of Superbowl on Sunday 14th June 2015.

Volunteers needed: After the success of the Christmas Eve Mass it was brought to the attention of the Parish Council that overcrowding in the Church was an issue. This can also be said for large funerals. We are seeking people to volunteer as stewards at such events. Full training will be provided. Please leave names to Parish Office 059 9722607 if you are willing to help.

Carlow Regional Pioneer Total

Abstinence Association: The A.G.M. of Carlow Region will be hosted by the Tullow centre commencing with Mass in the Church of the Holy Rosary on Saturday 25th April at 7.30pm. The AGM will be held in the Parish Centre after Mass. All centres are asked for delegates to attend. **The Carlow region will also celebrate its 40th anniversary in Goresbridge on May 1st, commencing with Mass at 7.30pm.**

Leighlin Parish Lourdes Fund: Annual gate collection on Saturday 2nd & Sunday 3rd of May at all Masses. Your support will be much appreciated.

Care of the Aged Barrow Walk: will take place on Sat May 16th leaving Parish Centre at 2pm. Refreshments in Parish Centre afterwards. This is our main fundraiser event, and we invite as many as possible to take part. Thanks for all your support during the last

Leighlinbridge & District Active Retired: Meeting in Parish Centre Monday 27th at 2.30. Last session of Flower Arranging course. Bowls each Thursday and Friday as usual.

Michael Davitts: GFC 5KM Fun/Run on Sunday 26th April 2015 in Ballinabranna clubhouse. Registration from 10am race starts 11am. Adults €10, U16 €5 and Families €20. Tea/ refreshments served afterwards. All very welcome.

The Ballinabranna/Milford/Raheendoran Development Group: meeting is taking place on Thursday 30th of April at 8.30pm in the club house. We will be preparing our Carlow Pride of Place and Tidy Towns applications. 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.

L.I.G: Rethink, Reduce, Reuse, Recycle:

The kitchen is the centre of your home. Why not start to compost organic waste? Peels, skins, and trimmings from fruits and veg, coffee grounds, egg shells, tea bags, kitchen paper and lots of other kitchen waste can be combined with garden waste (grass, leaves etc) to make compost, which you can use as natural, organic fertilizer on your lawn and garden.

The Irish Cancer Society's "Care to Drive" service is currently seeking volunteer drivers to drive local patients to and from their chemotherapy treatments. We are looking for volunteers to pick patients up at their homes, drive them to the door of the hospital, pick them up when they are finished their treatment and bring them home again. Volunteer expenses are paid. For more information or an application form, telephone Rebecca on 01 2316 642 or email transport@irishcancer.ie