

# LEIGHLIN PARISH NEWSLETTER

30TH APRIL 2017  
3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER



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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  
Friday 7.30pm

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

### First Anniversaries:

Julia Bermingham, Ballinaboley, Mass on Sunday 30th April at 11am in Leighlinbridge  
Michael O'Kelly, Orchard Lane, Mass on Sunday 30th April at 11am in Leighlinbridge  
Michael McCartney, Mass on Sunday 7th May at 9.30am in Ballinabranna

### Anniversaries:

Violet McDonnell, Ballyknockan	Stephen Bambrick, Banagagole
P J Dowling, Tomard	Bridget Cassidy, Raheny, Dublin
Michael Byrne, Killenane	Anne Costigan, Craan
Jim Carroll, Rathellen	Eugene Clarke, Carlow Road
Patrick Somers, Killenane	Patsy Kelly, Parknakyle
Catherine Flynn, Killenane	
Patrick & Josephine Cullen, Craan	
Catherine Whyte, Fonthill	

### Notices

**Care of the Aged:** Annual scenic Barrow walk will be held on May 6th. Get your walking shoes on & join us. Meeting at the Parish Centre at 2pm. Walking to the Bagenalstown by the Barrow & back to the Parish Centre for refreshments & free raffle. Sponsorship cards available from committee members. Your support is very much appreciated.

**Volunteer Befriending:** Would you like to make a new friend and at the same time make a difference, well you can. By visiting an older person who may be feeling lonely and by offering companionship once a week for an hour, you can make a difference to their lives. That's what Befriending is all about. If you are interested and would like to apply or just to find out more, please ring Mary on 059-9136340 or 086-4108902

**Carlow Public Participation Network (PPN):** and Carlow County Development Partnership in partnership with Carlow ETB and Carlow Volunteer Centre are offering a suite of training for community groups. From Finance for Non-Financial People to Facebook to How to create a Constitution for your community group. All training is free. Contact Gráinne to register on 059/9172495 or email carlowppn@carlowcoco.ie as places are filling up.

**World Fairtrade Challenge 12-14th May:** This May, join Fairtrade farmers, workers and supporters for the World Fairtrade Challenge. Each year, we're buying more Fairtrade products like bananas, coffee and chocolate. Thanks to people like you, more hard-working farmers and workers around the world can build better lives and brighter futures. For further information, please see the Fairtrade Ireland website:  
<https://www.fairtrade.ie/httpswww-fairtradechallenge-orgint-enhome>.

### May - The Month of Mary

We dedicate May to Our Blessed Mother, whose role was so instrumental to our church. During spring we hope for growth, and when summer comes we can see the blossoms of that growth and can see the transformation made from seed to flower.

In Mary's womb Jesus was brought to life and so, through Mary, who so graciously said yes to God's call we can find the kind of faith that is needed to earn our salvation and help us to flourish with new life and hope.

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*One fervent Hail Mary with love and thought said,  
is better than volumes of prayers poorly read.  
If time and one's duties prevent a long prayer,  
Just say one Hail Mary With fervour and care.  
The Golden Hail Mary which from the heart springs,  
the greatest of blessings from Mary it brings.  
And we will never know 'Til before Mary's throne,  
how that daily Hail Mary brought us to her home.*

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Do you recognize Christ in your life and hope to make Him known to others?

## NOTICES

### St Fintan's Church

	<u>Readers</u>	<u>Ministers</u>
<b>Sun 7th May</b> <b>9.30am</b>	McCartney Family	John Kelly Loretta McNally Shannon Young Pat Carter
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Leah Connolly, John Lawlor, Oisín Pagnier, Aisling Walsh, Zac Gladney Brennan	
<b>Church Cleaning</b>	Angela Carter, Alice Fitzgerald	
<b>Church Flowers</b>	<b>May</b>	Lena Delaney

### St Lazerian's Church

	<u>Readers</u>	<u>Ministers</u>
<b>Sat 6th May</b> <b>7.30pm</b>	Maura Devine Siobhan Haughney	George Donoghue Mary Meany (B) Tommy Lawlor Jimmy Farrell
<b>Sun 7th May</b> <b>11am</b>	Benny Mills Barbara Kinsella	Sister of Mercy Kathleen McAufield Mary Clarke Anne Kelly
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Aoife Stanford, Caitlin Earl, Ellie Myles, Konrad Slewa, Daragh Fitzgerald, Daniel Roche	
<b>Church Cleaning</b>	Maura Devine, Lizzie Earl, Oliver Quinn, Ann Dooley	
<b>Church Flowers</b> <b>May</b>	Betty Dowling Mary Clarke	<b>Reader for Week</b> Peg Rice

**Invalids:** will be attended on Tuesday May 2nd & Wednesday May 3rd in the usual order.

**Reminder:** Please return Trocaire Boxes as soon as possible.

### **Kildare & Leighlin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2017:**

16th July-21st July 5 nights €719 pps led by Bishop of Kildare & Leighlin, Rev Denis Nulty. Leighlin Parish Group staying in The Panorama Hotel. Deposit €200. Application forms in the Parish Centre,

### **Day Care**

Karen Dooley  
Agnes Kavanagh

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

### **Old Leighlin**

No's 9,14,17,19,  
No Winner  
Jackpot €10,000  
Next week's draw  
In Sheerin's

### **Ballinabranna:**

No's 5,9,16,23  
No winner  
Jackpot €10,000  
Reserve €6,850

### **Leighlinbridge:**

No's 2, 10, 11, 12  
No Winner  
Jackpot €3,700  
Next week's draw in  
Brennan's

### **Collections**

**23/04/17**

### **Envelope**

L/B €1,350

### **Offertory**

L/B € 550

### **Easter Collection**

L/B €400

**Pioneer's News:** Monthly meeting will be held in the Parish Centre on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May at 7pm. All members welcome.

**Cards:** for First Communion now available in Parish Centre in support of Day Care. Only €1

**Church Flowers:** Volunteers needed to help with flowers. Monthly rota.

**Ballinabranna ICA:** Meeting on Mon 1st May @ 7pm in St. Fintan's Assembly Centre.

### **St. Joseph's Young Priests Society:**

Monthly meeting on Wednesday 3rd May at 8pm in the Parish Centre.

**Old Leighlin Ladies GFC:** are holding a cake sale after Mass on Sunday 30th please support. Training continues for U9s - U14's - Tuesdays 7-8pm and Saturday/Sunday mornings. If interested in joining the club at any age (U9 - Senior) please contact Mary on 086 8906975. New members are always welcome.

**The Eist Cancer Support Centre:** is still recruiting runners, joggers and walkers to participate in the Women's Mini Marathon in Dublin on Monday 5th June, on behalf of the centre. If interested contact Mary 0851440510. Free bus and tee shirt on the day.

**Meeting of the Ballinabranna/Milford/Raheendoran Development Group:** on Thursday May 4th at 8.30pm in the club house. We will be taking part in the Tidy Towns competition. We are looking for people who would be interested in getting involved in projects to enhance wildlife and waste minimisation etc in the area. Anyone interested in getting involved in making improvements to the local area is very welcome. See our Facebook page - [www.facebook.com/ballinabranna.milford.raheendoran](http://www.facebook.com/ballinabranna.milford.raheendoran)

**Bowls Club:** continues each Thursday & Friday from 2.30pm in the Parish Centre. New member and beginners especially welcome.

**Carlow Mental Health Association:** are delighted to announce their annual "Hello Carlow, How R U? Day" Thursday 25th May .

**Housing Vacancy:** Leighlin Housing Association Ltd. has a vacancy at the Orchard Lane Scheme. Expressions of interest are invited from anyone over the age of 60 with a housing need. For information and an application form please contact LHA on 083-1957783 during office hours.

**Leighlin Parish Lourdes Pilgrim Draw:** All names of parishioners in Leighlin Parish who wish to enter draw for free trip to Lourdes, please leave name to Parish Centre 059- 9722607 before Sunday 23rd April. Anyone successful enough to obtain a place in draw and needs help will have to be accompanied by a family member or friend. Pilgrimage departs Sunday 16th July and returns Friday 21st July.

**Brass Band Bonanza:** You are invited to a night of music featuring: St. Patrick's Brass and Reed Band, visiting members of the London Metropolitan Band and Leighlinbridge Brass Band on Friday May 12th at 7.30pm in St. Lazerian's Church, Leighlinbridge. Admission is free. There will be a raffle on the night, all proceeds in aid of the instrument fund.

**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.  
**Shredded Paper:** Available at the Parish Centre. It can be used as litter for Cats, Dogs, Ponies etc. Phone 059 9722607.