

Pray For:

Recent Death:

Sheila - Julia Brennan, 2 The Downs, Pollerton, Carlow & Paulstown, Kilkenny

1st Anniversaries:

Pat McArdle, Tomard, Mass on Sunday 11th March at 11am in Leighlinbridge.

Anniversaries:

Annie Miley, Ballygowan	James Phelan, Coolcullen
Jim Dermody, 13 Seskin Road	Martin & Mary Pierce, Ballinabranna
Paddy Nolan, Rathellen	Mary & Martin Nolan, Ballinabranna
Joan Ryan, Tomard	The Delaney Family, Ballinabranna
Michael Kelly, High Street	The Comeford Family, Knockabrannagh
Bridget Redmond, Clogrennane	Mary Kelly, Ballinabranna
Christy Dunne, Clogrennane	Mixie Brennan, Monavea
Tom Dunne, Raheendoran	Sarah & Pat Kelly, Rossmore
Jack Donoghue, The Ridge	James (Jimmy) McDonald, The Ridge
Margaret Farrell, Craanluskey, Bilboa	Patrick Kelliher, Dungarvan
John & Kathleen Moran, Powerstown	James Dermody, Oldtown
James & Margaret McDonald, The Ridge	
Raymond & Margaret O'Leary, St. Lazerian's Terrace	
Josie, Ned, Pat, Tom, Johnny & Peter Kelly Rossmore	

Notices

Baby & Toddler Group: Every Monday in the Parish Centre from 10am to 12 noon. All parents, child minders welcome to come, have a cuppa & chat while children play.

Date for your Diary: Leighlin Field Day on Sunday May 27th.

National Tree Week: will take place from March 4th to 11th 2018. Carlow County Council will have a limited amount of native tree saplings for distribution and applications are invited from all community groups, schools and resident's associations throughout the County. We also wish to invite you to our free **Tree Week 18 Workshop** which takes

Safeguarding: If you have an issue with Safeguarding in the Parish please contact the DLP at 085-8021633 or email dlp@kandle.ie Local safeguarding Reps are Fr Tom Lalor, Eileen Johnston, Michael Roche & Liz Dunne.

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4TH MARCH 2018
THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

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Mass Times:

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

Eucharistic Prayers

Friday
9.30am

Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday 2 - 5pm
Friday 5 - 9pm

Ballinabranna

Friday 7.30pm
Sunday 9.30am

Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday 2 - 3pm
Friday 6.30 - 7.30pm

A Clean Sweep

Lent translates as "springtime".

Everyone welcomes Spring - warmer days, the arrival of flowers and new life bursting forth in nature.

Lent can also be a time for spiritual growth and renewal.

It is always great to be able to open windows on a fine fresh day, you can feel the breeze rushing in to sweep but the stale air.

Lent is all about removing what is stale in our lives and allowing life and growth to replace it.

Lent is a journey not a day or two put together in isolation.

As we journey through Lent we invite God into our lives.

We especially ask God to replace what is stale and stagnant

with life, energy and freshness.

After all Spring shows what God can do with a dim and dismal world.

So Lent shows what God does to the soul during this time of prayer and penance.

<u>St Fintan's Church</u>		
	<u>Readers</u>	<u>Ministers</u>
Sun 11th March 9.30am	Terence Farrell Daniel Pender	Betty Hughes Dorel Picovici
Altar Servers	Daniel Picovici, Nadia Earl, Kian McDarby, Emma Picovici, Niamh Raftery	
Church Cleaning	Lucy McNally, Grace Twomey, Delphine Picovici	
Church Flowers	March	Mary Hegarty

<u>St Lazerian's Church</u>		
	<u>Readers</u>	<u>Ministers</u>
Sat 10th March 7.30pm	Maura Devine Siobhan Haughney	Bridín Lawlor Mary Meaney
Sun 11th March 11am	Mandy Ryan Sister of Mercy	Sister of Mercy Kathleen McAufield
Altar Servers	Daniel Roche, Darragh Fitzgerald, Ella McDonald, Clodagh Lawler, Dylan Jenkins, Conor DeLacey, Tadgh O'Neill	
Church Cleaning	Margaret Purcell, Margaret Foley, Hannah Sieber, Mary Sullivan	
Church Flowers March	Ann Kelly	Reader for Week Sister of Mercy

Invalids: will be attended on Tuesday 6th & Wednesday 7th March in the usual order.

Church Flowers: Volunteers needed to help with flowers each week. Please contact the Parish office 059 9722607 if interested.

Kildare & Leighlin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2018: led by Bishop Denis Nulty. 16th July, 5 night's €739 pps. Pilgrimage director Fr. Paddy Byrne. Register your interest by contacting Joe Walsh Tours at 01 2410802 or info@joewalshstours.ie Booking forms may be collected from the Parish Centre.

Day Care

Margaret Kelly
Margaret Stanford

G.F.C Lotto Old Leighlin

No's
No Winner
Jackpot €
Reserve €
Next week's draw in

Ballinabranna:

No's 3, 10, 16, 24
No winner
Jackpot €10,000
Reserve €9,050

Leighlinbridge:

No's 2, 11, 12, 14
No Winner
Jackpot €8,100
Next week's draw in
Brennan's

Collections 25/02/18

Envelopes

L/B €1650
B/B €165

Offertory

L/B €525
B/B €180

NOTICES

February Parish Draw Results:

1st. John Kelly
2nd. Roisin Wenman
3rd. Mary & Barry Moloney
4th. Rachel & Oisín McNally
5th. Tina Sieber
6th. Tracy Dorgan
7th. Catriona McClean
Full Card: Mary Townsend, Aisling Brennan
Promoters Prizes: Deirdre Amond, Marie Roche, George Donoghue, Noel Dunne

Leighlinbridge & District Active Retired:

Committee Meeting Monday 5th. March in Parish Centre at 2pm; Members Meeting 2.30. Refreshments followed by final 'Sing-a-Long' session of Singing course. For anyone interested in the Waterford Camino which includes a 3-nights' stay in Tower Hotel 9th - 12th April, please contact Madeleine 086-4080286. Bowls as usual each Thursday & Friday in Parish Centre at 2.30pm.

Leighlinbridge Improvement Group:

Meeting Thursday night 8th March in Parish Centre at 8pm. A good attendance would be appreciated as we plan work and upcoming events for the Spring season.

Ballinabranna I.C.A.: meeting on Monday 5th March at 7pm in St. Fintan's Assembly Centre.

Ballinabranna Hall: is available for meetings, activities & social events. The hall facilitates 80 people with tea/coffee making facilities. Contact the Parish Centre on 059 9722607.

Set Dancing Classes: in Ballinabranna Club House every Thursday night at 8.30pm. Beginners very welcome.

Carlow Mental Health Committee: We have a wonderful event to Celebrate International Women day. The event we are hosting is called "Women Lets Share Event". It a discussion panel of Carlow women, in which they share ways they nurture their mental health. This event is taking place on Thursday March 8th at 7.30pm in the Seven Oaks Hotel in Carlow Town.

WMOF 2018: Do you have a spare room in your home and want to help? Thousands of people will be travelling from very distant places to participate in World Meeting of Families 2018 (Dublin, 21-26 August 2018). Many would be unable to come if they also had to cover the cost of accommodation. Do you have a spare room? Would you be willing to host a person, a couple or a family next August? Help us welcome visiting families to Ireland and have a home-from-home experience. Learn more at www.worldmeeting2018.ie/ hostafamily. Call us on 01 5676800 or Email us at hostingteam@worldmeeting2018.ie

Cookery Demonstration: with celebrity Chef Edward Hayden in aid of Holy Trinity Church Bilboa will take place on Wednesday 14th March, in the Lord Bagenal Hotel, at 8pm (Doors open from 7pm). Admission €15. Tickets available from 086 1603489 or bilboaparish@gmail.com

'24Hours for the Lord': St. Andrews Church, Bagenalstown will be opened for 24 hours of Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Confession. All are welcome. 6pm Friday 9th March to 6pm Saturday 10th March. Opening Ceremony at 6pm Friday, Closing Mass on Saturday at 6pm.