#### **Recent Deaths:**

Nastasia Picovici, Romania (mother of Dorel Picovici, Ballyhide).

#### 1st Anniversaries:

Annie (Nancy) Geraghty, Raheendoran, Mass on Sun 6th March @ 9.30am in Ballinabranna

#### **Anniversaries:**

Marie Burke, nee Keating, Oak Park, Carlow Joan Ryan, Tomard Annie Miley, Abbey Street, Tullow Martin & Mary Nolan Ballinabranna Martin & Mary Price, Ballinabranna Mary Kelly, Ballinabranna Bridget Phelan, Coolcullen Mixer Brennan, Rossmore Sarah & Pat Kelly, Rossmore Paddy Nolan, Rathellen
Jim Dermody, 13 Seskin Road
Brigid Redmond, Clogrennane
Jack Donoghue, The Ridge
Delaney Family, Ballinabranna
William Delaney, Craan
Bernie Comerford, Graiguecullen
Nanny McCarthy, Co. Down
John & Pakie O'Neill, The Ridge

Comerford Family, Knockabrannagh Tom, Josie, John, Pat, Ned & Liam Kelly, Rossmore Raymond & Margaret O'Leary, St Lazerian's Tce

St Lazerian's community games: would like to congratulate the indoor soccer, futsal and basketball teams who have represented us over the past weekends. We are holding our area art competition for u8s to u16 and area u10 & u12 handwriting on March 13th 2-6 in the parish centre. €2 per child more information is on St. Lazerian's area12 Facebook page. Well done to our u16 basketball teams who won county finals last weekend and good luck to our badminton teams competing Friday night in Ballinabranna.

<u>Wanted:</u> We are looking for eligible people in the community to sign up to the TUS Scheme so that they can be placed in a position within the community. Please register your interest to Ballinabranna School and your details will be passed on to relevant department. Contact number for school is 0599146253.

<u>Clothing Collection:</u> supporting Friends of Calcutta will take place March 16th. Also available for loan from the Parish Centre, is a DVD showing where the funds from the clothing collection are used. Thank you for your support.

Concert in Aid of Carlow Hospice: R.T.E. Concert Orchestra will perform the music of Liam Lawton on 11<sup>th</sup> March in Cathedral of Assumption. ALL proceeds of the night will go directly to the Hospice. Doors open 7.30pm. Tickets €25 available in Leighlin Parish Centre.

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# 6TH MARCH 2016 4TH SUNDAY OF LENT

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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 Wednesday 2 -5pm Friday 5 - 9pm

Ballinabranna

Friday 7.30pm Sunday 9.30am

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

#### **GIVING -V- RECEIVING**

There is a story told about a miser who fell into a well. Even though he wasn't liked by the people because of his meanness they wanted to rescue him. Some one stretched down and said "Give me your hand".

The miser had never given anything in his life so did nit understand what "Give me your hand" meant.

Some one else shouted down "Take my hand", instantly the miser stretched out his hand and was pulled out of the well.

Giving and receiving always go hand in hand.

We receive a lot when we give.

One of the greatest enemies of God is meanness of Spirit.

We are called to be generous with our time, our love, our energy, our gifts and our talents.

Is there a bit of a miser in me in how I use what God has given me?

God gives us all we need, so we can give to others in their need.

God welcomes us home with extravagant love. Let the call to holiness draw you home into a deeper relationship with God.

(Luke 15:1-3, 11-32)

<u>St Fintan's Church</u>			
	Readers	<u>Ministers</u>	
Sun 13th	Padraig Farrell	Betty Hughes	
9.30 am	Confirmation Class	Dorel Picovici	
Altar Servers	Aoife Watson, Rhiannon Byrne,		
	Kayla Whelan O'Regan, Leah Connolly,		
	Emma Phelan		
Church Cleaning	Brigid O'Keefe, Bridie Keating, Mary Quinn,		
	Josephine Fitzgerald		

<u>St Lazerian's Church</u>		
	Readers	<u>Ministers</u>
Sat 12th	Martin Nevin	George Donoghue
7.30 pm	Sharon Tuite	Mary Meaney (B)
Sun 13th	Angela Roche	Peg Farrell
11 am	Ailish Lynch	Kathleen McAulfield
		Mary Clarke
Altar Servers	Katelynn Murphy, Bronagh McNally,	
	Cian Brennan, Deborah Doran, Emer Aughney,	
	Reni Shalomi	
Church	Dolores Rea, Mary McDonald, Marie Roche,	
Cleaning	Mary Clarke, Kathy Haughney, Betty Dowling	
Church Flowers		Reader for Week
March	Anne Kelly	Bertie Hayes

#### **Station Mass:**

Ballinabranna on Friday 4th March at 7.30pm. Confessions before and after Mass.

### The Ridge & Augharue:

Station Mass on Monday 14th March at 8pm in Ann & P.J. Nolan's house.

#### **Year of Mercy Reflection:**

It is the Lord who forgives all your guilt,
Who heals every one of your ills,
Who redeems your life from the grave,
Who crowns you with love and compassion. (Psalm 102)

#### Day Care

Olive Townsend Bridget Monaghan

# G.F.C Lotto Numbers: Old Leighlin

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

#### **Ballinabranna:**

No's 5, 6, 14, 15 No winner Jackpot €10,000 Reserve €3,900

# Leighlinbridge:

No's 3, 18, 19, 28 No Winner Jackpot €1,300 Next week's draw in Brennan's

# Collections

28/02/16

# **Weekly Envelope**

L/B €1,265 B/B €220

# **Offertory**

L/B €480 B/B €235

#### **NOTICES**

# **<u>Leighlinbridge Improvement Group:</u>**

Meeting Thursday 10th March in Parish Centre at 8.30. There will be a PowerPoint presentation, the purpose of which is to highlight places and areas that needs to improve as we face this year's competitions. All are welcome and a full attendance would be very desirable.

**<u>Ballinabranna ICA:</u>** meeting Monday 7th March at 7pm.

<u>P.T.A.A. News</u>: Carlow regional monthly meeting will be held in the School in Ballinabranna on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> March commending with Mass in the Church at 7.30pm.

#### NBHC 5 year Strategic Development

<u>Plan</u>: Sat March 12th @8.30pm Parish Centre. <u>Open invitation to all Parishioners.</u> Help shape the future of your Club. Hope to see you there. "Help shape the future of your club"

Ballinabranna Karate Club: AGM Wednesday 16th March at 7pm (after training) in GAA Clubhouse.

Delta Centre Daffodil Weekend: Fri 11th to Sun 13<sup>th</sup> March. A new and colourful event which consists of a relaxing visit to our tranquil Sensory Gardens and delicious Afternoon Tea. Cost €15 per person – booking essential. Further details <a href="www.deltasensorygardens.com">www.deltasensorygardens.com</a> or 0599143527. All proceeds goes to Eist Cancer Carlow.

Old Leighlin ladies GFC: are looking for support from local businesses to sponsor a new set of juvenile jerseys. If any business is interested please contact Mary on 086 8906975.

# Leighlinbridge Community Garden:

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> March 10am -1pm. If you have a bit of spare time and would like to join us, sowing seeds and get ready for spring. Garden is at back of Fr Lalor's house.

**Barrow Valley Athletic Club:** are holding a church gate collection March 12th and 13th, any support will be gratefully appreciated.

# **Leighlinbridge & District Active Retired:**

Committee meeting Monday 7th March in Parish Centre at 2 o'clock; Members' Meeting 2.30. After refreshments Maura Dowling will speak on "Information, Entitlements and Nutrition". Summer Break to Arklow Bay Hotel 12th -17th June will cost €330. Deposits of €50 being collected now. If interested contact Frances 0868970394.

# Naomh Brid Hurling Club Registration

Dates for 2016: Old Leighlin Community
Hall Thurs 3rd Mar 7pm-9pm. Ballinabranna
Clubhouse Fri 4th Mar 7pm-9pm . The Parish
Centre Sat 5th Mar 10am - 12 noon. €30 per child
or €50 per family. All new members welcome.

# <u>Carlow 1916 – 2016 Centenary Committee:</u>

100 years commemoration: Nurse Kehoe — Sun 6<sup>th</sup> March @ 3pm in Ballinabranna. Michael O 'Hanrahan — Sun 13<sup>th</sup> March @ 3pm in Carlow. Thomas Traynor -Sun 20<sup>th</sup> March @ 3pm in Tullow. Father Bibby — Sat 26<sup>th</sup> March @ 3pm in Bagenalstown. For further information contact Michael 086 3473908.

# Basketball (Little Champs Basketball

Enterprise): Coach Ross Brennan will be holding a 3 day basketball Easter camp on  $22^{nd}$ ,  $23^{rd}$ ,  $24^{th}$  March from 10am-2pm in Old Leighlin Community Hall. To register your child please call/text 087-4409476 to secure a place in the camp. Junior Infants to  $6^{th}$  Class. Cost 1 child-635, 2 Children-65, 3 Children 90.

Leighlin Craft Club: annual day trip to Clonmel on Sat 12th March. Pick up in Bagenalstown and Leighlinbridge. Plenty of shopping plus a visit to Tipperary Design Centre. To book seats phone/text Jennifer 087 8318156 €10pp.

<u>Daffodil Day:</u> takes place on Friday 11th March. Meeting of all volunteers to arrange fresh daffodils on Thurs 10th March @ 7.30pm in the Parish Centre.