

### Recent Deaths:

Nan Byrne, Tomard, Bilboa.

### Month's Mind:

Caroline Doyle, Raheendoran. Mass on Fri 6th March at 7.30pm in Ballinabranna.  
Michael Connolly, Craan. Mass on Sat 7th March at 7.30pm in Leighlinbridge.

### 1st Anniversary:

Mary Sullivan, 42 Ballyknockan Manor. Mass on Sun 8th March at 11am in Leighlinbridge.  
Pat Curran, Molaise Estate, Old Leighlin. Mass on Sat 14th March at 7.30pm in Leighlinbridge.  
Mary Sheehan, Kyleshall, Raheendoran. Mass on Sun 15th March at 9.30am in Ballinabranna.

### Anniversaries:

Comerford Family, Clogrennane	Kevin Hayden, Old Leighlin
Comerford Family, Knockabranagh	Michael Kelly, High Street
Liam Kelly, Rossmore & Ballinabranna	James Flynn, Killenane & Ratheadon
Mary Kelly, Ballinabranna	Sr. Bernard O'Keeffe, Rathornan & Liverpool
Kelly Family, Rossmore	Sean Walsh, New Oak Estate
James Whelan, Coolcullen	Patrick Nolan, Rathellen
Mixie Brennan, Monavea	John & Pakie O'Neill, The Ridge
Martin & Mary Price & Family, Ballinabranna	John Collins, Parknakyle
Delaney Family, Ballinabranna	Jim Dermody, 13 Seskin Road
Martin & Mary Nolan, Ballinabranna	Mrs Kathleen Dalton, Ballinabranna & Dublin
Elizabeth Geraghty, Clonmelsh	Mrs Bridge Redmond, Clogrennane
Annie (Nancy) Geraghty, Raheendoran	Patrick Molloy, Conahy & Coolnakieran
Thomas & Elizabeth Roche, Craanluskey	Philip Sheehy, Mullinavat
George & Annie Dunne, Ashfield	
Mary Eyre, Orchard Lane & Gurtahile	
Bridie Quaile (née Lawlor), Bilboa Cross & London	
John & Kathleen Moran, Paulstown and their son John	
Thomas & Mary Molloy, Raheen	
Stephen Leonard, Trim, Co. Meath	

### Notices:

**Leighlinbridge Improvement Group:** AGM on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30 in Parish Centre. Week 3 "Loving your Leftovers" Cooked food can often be used again the next day or frozen for later use. A portion of stew today could be tomorrow's lunch. Extra veg can make a lovely soup. Less food in the bin, means less waste collected across Leighlinbridge, less methane emissions from landfill helping to combat climate change and more savings for your household too. Quick question? Are you a leftover lover, or do leftovers tend to go untouched in your fridge? If even a few households freeze one extra portion, it all adds up. Always abide by HSE/Safe Food guidelines in conjunction with Food Safety Authority [http:// www.fsai.ie](http://www.fsai.ie), more tips next week.

**Safeguarding:** If you have an issue with Safeguarding in the Parish please contact the DLP: Michele Hughes 086-1710643 or email [dlp@kandle.ie](mailto:dlp@kandle.ie)  
Local safeguarding Reps are Eileen Johnston, Michael Roche & Liz Dunne.

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## LEIGHLIN PARISH NEWSLETTER

8<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2026  
THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

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### Mass Times: Leighlinbridge

Confession Sat  
6.30 - 7.15pm  
Saturday 7.30pm  
Sunday 11.00am  
Mon-Thur 9.30am

### Eucharistic Adoration

Wed 2 - 5pm  
Fri 4 - 8pm

### Ballinabranna

Sunday 9.30am  
Friday 7.30pm  
Confession Friday  
6.30 - 7.15pm

### Eucharistic Adoration

Wed 2 - 3pm  
Fri 6.30 - 7.30pm

### LEIGHLIN PARISH FUND-RAISING DRAW

Six Monthly Draws—Total Prize Fund €25,200  
€60 per ticket or €10 per Draw.  
Two Extra Draws In March For Promoters  
with Full Card. Prize €250 each.  
1st Prize €2,000, 2nd Prize €1,000,  
3rd - 7th Prize €200.

The first draw will be held on Sun 29th March  
and all remaining draws on the last  
Sunday of April, May, June, July & August.

Each draw will take place in  
Leighlinbridge Church via Webcam  
after 11am Mass.

All enquiries to Leighlin Parish Centre.  
Tel 059 9722607

**Draw cards can be collected in Parish Centre**  
**Monday to Friday between**  
**9.30am and 4.30pm**

**New promoters required.**  
**This would help greatly to ease the work load.**

**The Parish is forever grateful to all the Promoters for**  
**there continued support over the years.**

## NOTICES

### St Fintan's Church

	<u>Readers</u>	<u>Ministers</u>
<b>Sun 15th March 9.30am</b>	Family Reader	Sally Lawlor
<b>Church Cleaning</b>	Claire Jackson, Loretta McNally, Ann Proctor, Valerie Haughney	
<b>Church Flowers February</b>	Mary Dunne	<b>Papers</b> Catherine Ayres

### St Lazerian's Church

	<u>Readers</u>	<u>Ministers</u>
<b>Sat 14th March 7.30pm</b>	Family Reader	Sally Lawlor, Anthony Walsh
<b>Sun 15th March 11.00am</b>	Aoife Doheny	Maisie Mills, Kathleen Cummins
<b>Church Cleaning</b>	Margaret Foley, Kathleen Cummins, Margaret Purcell, Catherine Brennan	
<b>Church Flowers March</b>	Mary Redmond	
<b>Reader for Week</b>	Angela Roche Wed	Benny Mills Mon, Tues, Thurs

**Church cleaners:** urgently needed for Leighlinbridge Church. We are down to two teams so any volunteers would be greatly appreciated. Please contact the Parish Office on 059 9722607. Thank you.

**Mass Readers in Leighlinbridge:** Urgently needed. Please contact the Parish Office if you would be able to help with this area. Contact 059 9722607. Thanking you in advance.

**2026 Weekly Envelopes:** are now ready for pick up from the Parish Centre. Opening hours 9.30am - 5pm on Mon - Fri.

**Lotto Results:**

**Old Leighlin:**

5, 9, 21, 25  
No Winner  
Jackpot € 7,950

**Ballinabranna:**

9, 18, 19, 21  
No Winner  
Jackpot € 1,050

**Leighlinbridge:**

1, 8, 22, 26  
No Winner  
Jackpot € 2,400

**1st March 2026**

**Offertory**

L/B € 525  
B/B € 525

**Weekly**

L/B € 1120  
B/B € 210



**Leighlinbridge Active Retirement:** Holiday payment is due now and to be paid urgently. If you are interested in attending the Easter social on March 27th -12.30 to 3.30pm in SETU give your name so that a group booking is made. Our monthly meeting will be held on March 9th. Bowls are played in the parish centre on Thursdays and Fridays afternoon and Pickleball is played in Old Leighlin Community Centre every Tuesday 1.45pm. New players are welcome.

**Carlow Regional Pioneer's:** will hold their monthly meeting on Friday 20th March in Ballinabranna. Mass at 7.30pm. Adoration at 6.30pm.

**Old Leighlin GAA & LGFA:** will host a "Celebration of Champions" on March 14th in The Lord Bagenal Inn, starting at 7pm sharp. Tickets can be purchased online via Eventbrite at the link on our Socials, physical Tickets can also be purchased on Tuesday March 9th at 7- 8pm in Old Leighlin hall. **This is an adult only event.**

**Care of the Age:** are doing a fund raiser on the 9th May. Sponsor cards are available from Committee Members to support our cause. Walk will start at 2:30pm. Meeting up in the Parish Centre at 2pm Saturday 9th May. Walking from there to the Superbowl for walk around the track. Returning to the Parish Centre for refreshments and free raffle for all attending. Its been 5 years since we last held a fundraiser. Your support will be very much appreciated. Committee Members contact: George 087 2145814, Kathleen 086 3499109 and Ann 087 6917081.

**Grants available to Childminders:** The Childminding Development Grant of up to €1,000 is currently available for potential and existing Childminders and assists Childminders to enhance the safety and quality of their childminding service through the purchase of toys, safety equipment, childcare and outdoor equipment and up to a max of €500 for IT equipment. For a list of eligible items, to receive an application form, please contact Eilish at Carlow County Childcare Committee on 059 9140244 or email [info@carlowccc.ie](mailto:info@carlowccc.ie). Grant applications close on Wednesday, 15<sup>th</sup> April 2026.

**Carlow Flower Club:** will hold a series of three Flower arranging classes by Margaret Collins, for all levels, on Tuesday 10th and Wednesday 18th March and Tuesday 24th March from 10.30 am to 12.30pm in Ballinabranna Community Hall. Fee €8 per class. If interested please contact Margaret on 087 6682778 for a list of requirements for the class. Requirements will also be available on Carlow Flower Club Facebook page.

**Trócaire:** Last year, Trocaire worked with over 40,000 people in at-risk communities across Rwanda, helping vulnerable families build resilience against climate change by: Supporting over 2,500 women to receive training in sustainable resource management. Providing over 20,000 families with fuel-efficient cookstoves to reduce firewood use. Planting over 320,000 trees across the country.

**Dog Walking Service:** Available in Leighlinbridge. Call 089-4849317.