

Pray For:

Anniversaries:

John Monaghan, St Lazerian's Terrace
Mollie Dunne, Dublin Street, Carlow
Maureen Murphy, Snugboro, Old Leighlin
Edward & Elizabeth O'Neill Old Leighlin
Peg & George Mealy, Old Leighlin
Brendan Mulvey, formerly Church Street & Barrowlough

Neddy Brennan, Raheendoran
Neddy O'Neill, Old Leighlin
Bridie Greene, Old Leighlin
Jim Costello, Orchard

Notices

Christmas Concert: St Clare's Church, Graiguecullen December 19th at 7pm. Featuring Graiguecullen/Killeshin Parish Choirs, the Poor Clare Sisters and the Killeshin Pipe Band. Free entry, collection during concert for SVP.

Are you? Struggling with Anxiety or Depression? Finding Life Difficult?

Isolated? GROW: is here to help you. Our Mental Health Support groups are free and confidential and open to all, no referral or booking needed. Meeting Times are: Tuesday @ 10am, Venue: Grow Office Barrack Street Kilkenny, Tuesday @ 7.45pm, Venue: St Catherine's Social Services Centre Joseph's Road Carlow Town (Across from the train station) Wednesday @ 8pm, Venue: Grow Office Barrack Street Kilkenny & Friday @ 10.30am, Venue: Grow Office Barrack Street Kilkenny.

Fresh Holly Wreaths: orders now being taken. Contact Marguerite Gaughan on 086 3275291.

Carlow Neuromuscular Clinic: For muscular pain, sciatica, frozen shoulder, disc and bone injuries, fallen arches etc. contact Tony Devine 086 3566180.

Christmas decoration and craft workshop for children: hot chocolate and cookies and creative fun for the afternoon of Saturday December 15th, 1pm to 4pm. Drop the kids in while you get that last-minute shopping sorted. €15 for the workshop including all materials and treats. Call Jean at 086 8686783 to book a place.

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 Eileen Johnston, Michael Roche & Liz Dunne.

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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

The Pebbles of Life

We all go through obstacles or walls
on our daily journey.
Some are unexpected, some are challenging
and difficult
while more are easy to cross.

Each one needs to be faced with
determination and courage.
The day we become complacent
and careless is the day
that we will stumble and fall.

During these hectic few weeks before Christmas
it is surprising what causes us to stumble.
It is often the many small things together that are
the pebbles that cause us to stumble.

These days of Advent remind us that no obstacle,
barrier or anything else can come between us
and God's personal love for us.

It is easy to become complacent but Advent
keeps our feet firmly on the ground.
Nobody trips over mountains.
It is the pebble that causes us to stumble.

<u>St Fintan's Church</u>		
	<u>Readers</u>	<u>Ministers</u>
Sun 16th Dec 9.30am	Terence Farrell Daniel Pender	Padraig Farrell Mary Hegarty
Altar Servers	Emma Picovici, Nadia Watchorn Earl, Kate Gould, Lilymay Hosey, Rachel Ayres	
Church Cleaning	Angela Carter, Alice Fitzgerald	
Church Flowers	December	Molly Amond
<u>St Lazerian's Church</u>		
	<u>Readers</u>	<u>Ministers</u>
Sat 15th Dec 7.30pm	Maura Devine Siobhan Haughney	Shauna Murphy Mary Meaney (B) Tommy Lawlor
Sun 16th Dec 11am	Gearoid Doheny Aoife Doheny	Sister of Mercy Kathleen McAufield Mary Clarke
Altar Servers	Matt Burke, Eoin Bambrick, Kady Kehoe, Ciara Dwyer, Liadh Nolan, Kate Burke	
Church Cleaning	Margaret Purcell, Margaret Foley, Hanna Sieber, Mary Sullivan, Kay O'Connor	
Church Flowers December	Ann Kelly	Reader for Week Sister of Mercy

Fr. Hennessy: would greatly appreciate if people would let him or the Parish office know when family members are in hospital, so he can visit them. Please contact Fr. Hennessy on 059 9721463 or Parish Centre on 059 9722607.

Parish Envelopes: It would be appreciated if any outstanding donations to the Parish Envelope collections could be returned as soon as possible. It is coming towards the end of the year and the Parish wishes to complete the 2018 contributions.

Day Care

Olive Townsend
Mary Kehoe

G.F.C Lotto

Old Leighlin

No's 3, 5, 6, 10
No Winner
Jackpot €10,000
Reserve €10,000
2nd Reserve €3,900
Next week's draw in
Pint Depot

Ballinabranna:

No's 11, 12, 16, 26
No Winner
Jackpot €10,000
Reserve €10,000
2nd Reserve €2,000

Leighlinbridge:

No's 5, 13, 16, 25
No Winner
Jackpot €3,000
Next week's draw in
Brennan's

Collections

02/12/18

Envelopes

L/B €940
B/B €220
B/B €210 - 25/11

Offertory

L/B €570
B/B €235
B/B €250 - 25/11

Nov Dead List

L/B €205
B/B €60

Christmas Stations

L/B €190
B/B €410

NOTICES

Leighlin Parish Fund-Raising Draw:

is a six-month draw beginning February 2019, with a total prize fund of €25,200. Tickets are €60 each or €10 per draw. As always new promoters are required. If you are interested in becoming a promoter, please contact the Parish Centre on 059 9722607. The money raised in our Parish goes towards the upkeep of our Parish. Your help would be greatly appreciated.

Parish Council Meeting:

on Wednesday 12th December at 8pm in the Parish Centre. No Parish Finance meeting that evening.

Carlow Regional Pioneer Meeting:

Mass on Saturday 8th Dec at 7.30pm in Leighlinbridge. Presentation of Golden Pins & Certs in the Parish Centre after Mass. Refreshments served after presentation.

The Twelve Days of Christmas with

The Priests: on Monday 17th December at Carlow Cathedral. Doors open at 7.15pm. Tickets cost €25. Tickets available from the Cathedral Parish Centre on 059 9164087.

Christmas Concert:

Come along to a night of festive music featuring Leighlinbridge Brass Band and St. Patrick's Brass & Reed Band on Thursday 13th December in St. Lazerian's Church, Leighlinbridge at 7.30pm. Admission is free. There will be a raffle on the night with all proceeds in support of the bands instrument fund.

Patrick Kavanagh: An evening with the poems of Patrick Kavanagh. Feel welcome to join in. Venue: Fr. Lalor's house, Tinryland on Tuesday 11th Dec at 8pm.

Leighlinbridge & District Active Retired:

Meeting Monday 10th in Parish Centre at 2.30pm. Refreshments followed by a Bingo session. Recently the Bowls club held a local competition. The winners were as follows: 1st place Frances Huggard, 2nd Lily Galway with runners up Jean Briggs and Jim Campbell. They meet each Thursday and Friday in Parish Centre at 2.30pm.

Leighlinbridge National School:

will hold their Carol Service on Tuesday 11th December at 7pm in St. Lazerian's Church.

Leighlin Parish Lourdes Fund Christmas

Draw: 1st Prize €150, 2nd prize €50, 3rd & 4th prize €25, plus extra prizes. Draw takes place on Sunday 9th December after 11am Mass in the Parish Centre. €1 per line, full card 12 lines for €10. Your support is very much appreciated. Permit Granted.

Old Leighlin basketball club:

are holding a clothes collection on Monday Dec 17th, bags of clean dry clothes/bed linen/shoes/towels/bags etc can be left in Old Leighlin community hall any Mon 6-9pm, Tues 6-7pm, Thurs 6-9pm, Fri 5-9pm or during club matches on Sundays. Thank you.

Trocaire Christmas Appeal:

'Do not let the downtrodden retreat in confusion, give the poor and needy cause to praise your name.' Psalms 74:21. Millions of people have had to flee conflict in South Sudan and Yemen. In one area alone in northern Uganda 33,000 mainly women and children from South Sudan have taken refuge. They have witnessed and experienced the worst kind of violence and have arrived traumatised and broken. Trocaire's Christmas Appeal will help these people and many others rebuild their lives. Visit www.trocaire.org to find out more.