

### Recent Death:

James Dooley Jr, Lancaster, England and formerly Raheendoran. Requiem Mass Sunday 19th September in Ballinabranna 9.30am and burial of ashes immediately afterward.

### Months Mind:

Nora O'Neill, Augharue. Mass on Sat 18th September in Leighlinbridge at 7.30pm.  
Paul Coffey, Craanluskey. Mass on Friday 17th September in Ballinabranna at 7.30pm

### 1st Anniversaries:

James (Jim) Campbell, Main Street and Ballyknockan. Mass on Sunday 12th September in Leighlinbridge at 11am.

### Anniversaries

John Byrne, Ballinaboley  
Billy "The Doc" McDonald, Ballyknockan  
Richard Farrell, The Ridge, Carlow  
Katie Eyre, Gorthahile & Tinryland  
Mary Eyre, Gorthahile  
Nancy, Rachel & Charles Carter, Ballinabranna

Susan Comerford, Old Leighlin  
Margaret Dunne, Raheendoran  
Mary Amond, Ballygowan  
Liam Pierce, Carlow Road  
Tom Dunne, Milford

**Season of Creation 2021: One Simple Step You Can Take Today:** The theme for the Season of Creation 2021 is 'Restoring Our Common Home'. During this season we are asked to join together to celebrate creation and protect our common home through prayer, reflection and action. You can find plenty of resources to mark this month at [www.kandle.ie](http://www.kandle.ie). This year we celebrate this season mindful of the fact that our world continues to deal with the Covid-19 pandemic as well as a devastating climate and biodiversity crisis. We look towards two UN Conferences in the Autumn, COP15 (on Biodiversity, due to take place in China) and COP24 (on climate change, Glasgow) in the hope that world leaders take the urgent action that is needed to Restore Our Common Home. Catholics are urged to log on to [www.thecatholicpetition.org](http://www.thecatholicpetition.org) to sign the "Healthy Planet Healthy People" petition as a key action for this year's Season of Creation.

**Safeguarding:** If you have an issue with Safeguarding in the Parish please contact the DLP: Michelle Hughes 085 8021633 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

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### Mass Times: Leighlinbridge

Mon, Wed & Thurs  
9.30am  
Vigil Saturday 7.30pm  
Sunday 11am  
Eucharistic Adoration  
Wed 2 - 5pm  
Fri 4 - 8pm  
Ballinabranna  
Friday 7.30pm  
Sunday 9.30am  
Eucharistic Adoration  
Wed 2 - 3pm  
Fri 6.30 - 7.30pm

### Forgiveness

Forgiving others is not easy, it goes against human nature. Jesus was capable of complete and utter forgiveness but we struggle fiercely with it.

We seem to prefer to hold a grudge or want revenge.

We seem unable to let go of our hurts.

Our Lord knew of this flaw in our nature.

He had plenty of persecutors and plenty of people He could of held a grudge against or sought revenge after but He forgave them all.

He forgave tax collectors and prostitutes and, even hanging on the cross,

He forgave those who were killing Him.

But why?

Refusing to forgive separates us from God, it leaves a wound that can fester into anger,

bitterness and resentment.

Jesus trusted God to heal his wounds and we must do the same.

## NOTICES

### St Fintan's Church

|                            | <u>Reader</u>                   |
|----------------------------|---------------------------------|
| <b>Sun 19th 9.30am</b>     | Liz Dunne                       |
| <b>Church Cleaning</b>     | Angela Carter, Alice Fitzgerald |
| <b>Church Flowers Sept</b> | Mary Daly                       |
| <b>Papers</b>              | Kathleen O'Boyle                |

### St Lazerian's Church

|                            | <u>Readers</u>             |
|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| <b>Sat 18th 7.30pm</b>     | Maura Devine               |
| <b>Sun 19th 11am</b>       | Jennifer Harkin            |
| <b>Church Cleaning</b>     | Marie Roche, Betty Dowling |
| <b>Church Flowers Sept</b> | Betty Dowling, Mary Clarke |
| <b>Reader for Week</b>     | Sister of Mercy            |

**Covid 19 Changes:** Restrictions are being lifted gradually and from Monday last we are allowed to return to 50% capacity in our churches subject to proper distancing. Full choirs are not yet permitted so we will continue the way it is. This will hopefully change in the coming weeks. We have avoided bringing back eucharistic ministers up to now for everyone's safety, which was fine as numbers in the church were restricted. We hope to return to the full rota of eucharistic ministers in the next couple of weeks. We will be communicating directly with the ministers on appropriate protocols in advance of this. Many thanks to all for your patience. Fr Pat Hennessy, pp.

**No Morning Mass:** in Leighlinbridge on Tuesday 14th September.

### **Lotto Results:**

#### **Old Leighlin:**

6, 8, 11, 26  
No Winner.  
Jackpot €10,000  
Reserve €2,050

#### **Ballinabranna:**

6, 23, 24, 25  
No Winner.  
Jackpot €10,000  
Reserve €8,450

#### **Leighlinbridge:**

8, 11, 20, 27  
No Winner  
Jackpot €6,300

#### **Collections**

##### **5th Sep 2021**

#### **Envelope**

L/B € 215  
B/B €440

#### **Offertory**

L/B €375  
B/B €240

**Safeguarding Sunday:** On Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> September the Diocese celebrates Safeguarding Sunday. On this day we turn the spotlight on safeguarding and remind our communities and parish personnel that protecting vulnerable people is at the heart of the Christian message. Safeguarding Sunday is about creating an opportunity for parishes to find out all the positive work that has been happening in terms of safeguarding over the past year. Safeguarding in each parish could not happen without the commitment and work of many paid and volunteer personnel including local safeguarding representatives, sacristans, youth leaders, choir leaders and priests. We remember those who have experienced abuse in our Diocese and remind people of the Towards Healing confidential and free counselling service, Ph. 1800 303 416, Monday to Friday 11.00am to 6.00pm. They provide face to face counselling, structured phone counselling, family counselling and a counselling helpline. The Safeguarding Committee has produced a short video to mark this day, and this will be available to view on [www.kandle.ie](http://www.kandle.ie)

**Notice of Migrant Sunday Collection:** Migrant Sunday takes place on the 27th of September. This year we are holding a collection to support the work of the Irish Episcopal Council for Emigrants (IECE) who provides grant funding to Irish organisations overseas working with the most vulnerable of our emigrant community; from the elderly and isolated to the undocumented and those dealing with mental health problems

**Leighlinbridge and District Active Retired:** It was good to have our first meeting post Lockdown Monday last. On Monday 13th we are putting our policy of Outdoor Activities into action. We meet at 2:30 in Bagenalstown park where we will have a lesson in Pitch and Putt. It should be fun, so please come along and give it a try. Most of us have not played this game before.

**Leighlinbridge and District Active Retired:** Mini-holiday to Athlone Tuesday 19th October. Consists of 3 nights and 4 days. We will be based in Radisson Blu 4-star Hotel, Athlone...cost €315 pps. This includes transport from Church carpark Leighlinbridge to hotel as well as tours to surrounding places of interest each day. For enquiries, please phone Madeleine 086 4080286 or Maura 087 9732183.

**Leighlin Craft Club:** knitting and crochet in the Parish Centre every Wednesday starting September 8th from 7.30-9.30pm. New members always welcome. Phone Jennifer on 087 8318156 for details.

**Pilates:** - starting Monday 20th September 7:45pm and Thursday 23rd 10:15am in the Parish Centre. Please contact (087)7731106 to book, also online Zoom classes available [www.tmpilates.com](http://www.tmpilates.com).