

### Recent Death:

Richard (Dick) Buggy, Cruttenclough, Castlecomer, Kilkenny

### Months Mind:

Elizabeth (Betty) Dunne, Craanluskey, (formally Clontubrid, Freshford). Mass on Friday 10th 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

Julia O'Neill, The Ridge	Nancy Maher, Kyletock
Johnny Byrne, Craan	John Roche, Banagagole
Bridie Watchorn, Clochristic, Milford	Linda Darcey, Boherduff, Newtown
Henry & Josephine Ayres, Ballinabranna	Richard Whyte, Fonhill, Milford
Kitty Woods, Lower Seskin	Annette (Netta) Lowry, Ballinabranna
Peter White, Old Town	Mick Lowry, The Lane, Clogrennane
Josephine Connolly, Lower Seskin	Mick Delahaunty, Cloruske
Kathleen Carpenter, Raheen	Michael Brennan, Main Street

### Notices

**Old Leighlin Community Hall:** A.G.M. takes place on Monday 6th September at 8pm in the hall. Covid restrictions adhered to. All welcome.

**Webcam:** To view Webcam log on to [www.leighlinparish.ie](http://www.leighlinparish.ie) This will open the website home page. Scroll down to see Leighlinbridge and Ballinabranna webcams on right hand side. Click on picture of church and then the red arrow in centre of picture to view.

**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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### **A Wonderful Gift**

The gift of speech is a wonderful gift.

It is good to reflect on how well we use it.

Today many people are lonely and their great need is to be able to talk to someone.

It may be an elderly person, a child with a problem or someone we work with in need of a shoulder to lean on.

Yet, we can be too busy, we don't know how to reply, we have problems of our own, we don't want people pulling out of us,

The litany of excuses goes on.

We need to listen to God & to give heed by listening to

His people - to our neighbour.

Sadly the gift of speech is so often abused.

We hear people everyday using coarse & foul language & teaching their children to do the same.

We hear the Holy Name being taken irreverently & without thought. Speech well used can be a certain

positive force for good.

People were amazed at the gracious words that came from Jesus.

When we proclaim the Gospel of Jesus to people we are telling them what under

God they are capable of doing.

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### Mass Times: Leighlinbridge

Mon - 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

## NOTICES

### St Fintan's Church

	<u>Reader</u>
<b>Sun 12th 9.30am</b>	Josephine Fitzgerald
<b>Church Cleaning</b>	Claire Jackson, Loretta McNally, Ann Proctor, Valerie Haughney
<b>Church Flowers Sept</b>	Mary Daly
<b>Papers</b>	Liz Dunne

### St Lazerian's Church

	<u>Readers</u>
<b>Sat 11th 7.30pm</b>	Mairead Hayden
<b>Sun 12th 11am</b>	Sister Of Mercy
<b>Church Cleaning</b>	Lizzie Earl, Oliver Quinn, Maura Devine
<b>Church Flowers Sept</b>	Betty Dowling, Mary Clarke
<b>Reader for Week</b>	Martin Nevin

**Invalids:** will be attended to on Mon 6th, Tues 7th and Wed 8th September in the usual order

#### **Donations to Parish Collections:**

If people would like to donate, they can do so via the Parish website. See "Donate" button on the top right hand side of the homepage or call to the Parish Office. Parish envelopes can be collected from the Parish Office.

**Leighlinbridge Church Cleaning:** Volunteers required to clean the church on a rota basis. Anyone interested please contact Parish Centre on 059-9722607

**Guided Pilgrimages on the Lough Derg Pilgrim Path:** will be offered on Sunday 12th, Wednesday 15th, Saturday 18th & Sunday 26th September and Sunday 3rd October, with Mass outdoors, weather permitting. The full route is a 12km loop, with a shorter 8km option. **Advance booking is essential.** For further information email [info@loughderg.org](mailto:info@loughderg.org) or telephone 071 9861518. [www.loughderg.org](http://www.loughderg.org)

#### **Lotto Results:**

##### **Old Leighlin:**

6, 15, 18, 21  
No Winner.  
Jackpot €10,000  
Reserve €1,900

##### **Ballinabranna:**

7, 14, 15, 18  
No Winner.  
Jackpot €10,000  
Reserve €8,400

##### **Leighlinbridge:**

1, 19, 21, 23  
No Winner  
Jackpot €6,200

#### **Collections**

##### **29th Aug 2021**

##### **Envelope**

L/B €635  
B/B €245

##### **Offertory**

L/B €315  
B/B €185

**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.

**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:** Meeting Monday 6th September in Parish Centre at 2:30pm. We welcome our members after the long covid Lockdown. In accordance with ARI guidelines, plans are in place for more outdoor activities in the future. Hence our venue next week (13th) will be the park in Bagenalstown for Pitch and Putt coaching. New members always welcome.

**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 Parish Fundraising Draw August 2021**

1st Prize €2000 Stasia Pender  
2nd Prize €1000 Emma Keating  
3rd Prize €200 Anthony Curran  
4th Prize €200 Laura Agar  
5th Prize €200 Ruth Doran  
6th Prize €200 Angela Roche  
7th Prize €200 Caoimhe, Lochlann & Tadgh  
Promoter Prize 4 x €50 Jim Bambrick, Martin Nevin, Grainne Kavanagh, Len Roche

**Leighlin Craft Club:** resumes 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.