

### **Recent Death:**

Margaret Boland, Augha, Bagenalstown  
Maria Lawler (née Quirke), Laken, Old Leighlin  
Michael Curran, Athboy & Formally Carlow Road, Leighlinbridge.

### **Months Mind:**

Theresa McDonald, Seskin Road. Mass on Sun 13th February at 11am in Leighlinbridge.  
Margaret Rudkin, Royal Oak, Bagenalstown & Leighlinbridge. Mass on Sat 19th February at 7.30pm in Leighlinbridge

### **1st Anniversaries:**

James Dooley Jnr, Raheendoran & England. Mass on Sun 20th February at 9.30am in Ballinabranna

### **Anniversaries**

|                                                               |                                |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Patrick McDonald, Seskin Road                                 | Katie Earl, Craanluskey        |
| Bridgit and Martin Byrne, Ballinabranna                       | William Connolly, Moanduff     |
| Kathleen Dermody, Ballinaboley & Carlow Road                  | Ronan Lawlor, High Street      |
| Pat Hayden, England & Bawnree                                 | Patrick Farrell, Ballinabranna |
| Mrs Catherine Hayden, Bawnree                                 | Margaret Farrell, Craanluskey  |
| Ned Hayden, Garryduff                                         | Katie Roche, Banagagole        |
| Noel Kenna, Leighlinbridge & Graiguecullen                    |                                |
| Francis, Andrew & Tommy Mullins, Athlone                      |                                |
| Andrew O'Neill, Wolfhill                                      |                                |
| Elizabeth Delaney, Wolfhill                                   |                                |
| Michael & Mary Lillis, St Brigid's Crescent, Bagenalstown     |                                |
| Robert (Bob) Farrell, 23 Rossmore View & 11 Tommy Murphy Park |                                |

### **Notice**

**Congratulations:** to Laura Ayres who won Gold in U12 600m in the Leinster Athletics Finals. And also Rachel Ayres who won the Bronze in the U16.

**Safeguarding:** If you have an issue with Safeguarding in the Parish please contact the DLP: Kathleen Sherry 085-8021633 or email [dlp@kandle.ie](mailto:dlp@kandle.ie) Local safeguarding

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### **Mass Times:** **Leighlinbridge**

Vigil Saturday 7.30pm

Sunday 11am

Mon - Thurs 9.30am

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

## **LEIGHLIN PARISH NEWSLETTER**

**13TH FEBRUARY 2022**  
**6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

### ***The Healing Touch of God***

February is a month when we are conscious of healing—the healing influence of Brigid, the healing intercessions of Blaise and the healing invitation of Mary at Lourdes. As we gather to celebrate the healing touch of Christ, we are grateful that he shared our life with all its complexities, joys and struggles.

Aware that he desired to lead us to wholeness and to find our way to our Creator, he opened the eyes of the blind, the ears of the deaf and freed the bodies bound by paralysis. His life showed us how to love and his death revealed the depth of this love. As we gather to pray for healing for ourselves, for one another and for our world, we ask Gods Spirit to bring us the healing we so desperately seek.

Heal our hurting and pain— filled bodies, the uncomfortable, unresolved issues in our hearts and the fragmented areas of our lives. Enable us to share with others the love, compassion and healing that you have shared with us so that we can be channels of healing for one another. We ask this through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honour to God,

**Amen.**

## NOTICES

### St Fintan's Church

|                                     | <u>Readers</u>                                   | <u>Ministers</u>                  |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| <b>Sun 20th February<br/>9.30am</b> | Liz Dunne                                        | Mary Hegarty                      |
| <b>Church Cleaning</b>              | Lucy McNally, Grace Twomey,<br>Delphine Picovici |                                   |
| <b>Church Flowers<br/>February</b>  | Teresa Dunne                                     | <b>Papers</b><br>Kathleen O'Boyle |

### St Lazerian's Church

|                                     | <u>Readers</u>                                                      | <u>Ministers</u>                          |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|
| <b>Sat 19th February<br/>7.30pm</b> | Siobhan Haughney                                                    | Seamus Somers<br>Jimmy Farrell            |
| <b>Sun 20th February<br/>11am</b>   | Sister of Mercy                                                     | Maisie Mills<br>Sister of Mercy           |
| <b>Church Cleaning</b>              | Margaret Purcell, Margaret Foley,<br>Kathleen Cummins, Kay O'Connor |                                           |
| <b>Church Flowers<br/>February</b>  | Bernie Price                                                        | <b>Reader for Week</b><br>Sister of Mercy |

**Parish Envelopes 2022:** Please note there is a change to the envelopes this year. You can apply to the office for your allotted envelope number. The boxes of envelopes are now available at the back of the church and in the parish centre. We ask people to take a box and use the envelopes to make their contribution to our Parish Development Fund and other special collections. **Please write your name or number as provided by the office clearly in the space provided on the envelope.**

**Annual Charity Tax Refund:** As Leighlin Parish is a registered charity, we qualify under the Tax Consolidation Act for Tax Relief on donations received of €250 or more in any one year. We will be sending out the 2021 CHY3 forms for completion shortly. Please return the completed signed form making sure you have put your PPS. No in the box provided. If you are no longer eligible to pay tax please inform the Parish office 059-97 22607 or email [info@leighlinparish.ie](mailto:info@leighlinparish.ie) so we can update our data base.

### **Lotto Results:**

**Old Leighlin:**  
1, 14, 21, 25  
No Winner.  
Jackpot €5,200

**Ballinabranna:**  
2, 3, 16, 23  
No Winner.  
Jackpot €10,000  
Reserve €9,550

### **Leighlinbridge**

5, 17, 18, 22  
One Winner  
Jackpot €1,100

### **Collections**

#### **6th February**

### **Envelope**

L/B €565  
B/B €305

### **Offertory**

L/B €365  
B/B €160



**Leighlinbridge Housing Association Ltd:** is inviting expressions of interest for a vacancy at Orchard Lane. To be eligible you must be over 60 years old and be on the Local Authority Housing List. For further details and application form please contact Patrick on 083/1957783, office hours only.

**Leighlinbridge and District Active Retired:** Meeting Monday 14th in Parish Centre at 2:30pm. Refreshments followed by Session 1 of Art course with Breda Malone. Please bring a sketching pad, plain pencils and an eraser. Registration fees still being collected at this time. Active Retirement Ireland is celebrating the 45th anniversary of its foundation February 2023. Many events will be organised from February 2022 to the Nat. AGM 2023. All groups throughout the country are invited to mark the occasion this month. Hence we are holding a coffee morning Friday 25th at 11 am. All members and non-members welcome. Jennifer Murnane O'Connor will be our special guest.

**Pilates:** - Parish Centre, Wednesday evening 7:45pm and Thursday morning 10:15am, beginners and improvers class. Please contact (087) 7731106 to book or [www.tmpilates.com](http://www.tmpilates.com).

**Zumba & Fitness Classes:** at Leighlinbridge Parish Centre. Days and times to be confirmed. Classes are suitable for all levels. Contact Aisling on 087-2460352 for more information.

**Holy Land Pilgrimage:** An eight-day pilgrimage to the Holy Land takes place from 16th to 24th February 2022. Led by Fr. John Carroll (Ferns Diocese), there are still a small number of places available. The pilgrimage will visit Bethlehem, Nazareth, Jerusalem and other sites in the Holy Land associated with Jesus. Price is €1725. To reserve your place, please call Marian Pilgrimages on 01-8788159 or email [info@marian.ie](mailto:info@marian.ie)

**Free Native Tree Saplings:** Leighlinbridge Improvement Group is fortunate to be shortly receiving 300 native tree saplings from *Easy Treesie* which is a voluntary organisation supporting communities to plant native trees across our country. Help to be part of our climate change solution and increase nature on your doorstep by planting one or more trees in your garden / plot. To secure a free tree or trees, please contact Lisa (087 6125041).

**Synod News:** People across Kildare and Leighlin are being invited to take part in a Listening Lent. This Lent, in different ways, you will be invited to share your experience of being part of the Church community. Together with Pope Francis, we want to hear from as many people as possible. The lived experience of every person is welcome and needed. Keep an eye to the diocesan and parish website and social media platforms in the coming weeks to find out more.

**CHAS:** invites you to join us for our February lecture on Wed 16th Feb @ 8pm. This event will take place in the Seven Oaks Hotel in Carlow, and will also be live streamed over Zoom, and Facebook. This month our speaker is Courtney Mundt and her lecture will be 'Mapping and Researching the Cillini (children's burial grounds) in Ireland.'