

Recent Deaths:

Kathleen Fitzpatrick (née Price), Yorkshire England & formally St Lazerian's Terrace, Leighlinbridge.

John Maher, Slyguff Bridge, Bagenalstown

Months Mind:

Ella McGuinn, Old Leighlin Rd. Mass on Sunday 1st October at 11am in Leighlinbridge.

Margaret Delahunty, Ballinaboley. Mass on Saturday 30th September at 7.30pm in Leighlinbridge

Anniversaries:

Catherine Malone, Oak Park

Bill Hayden, Bawnree

Frank McArdle, Tomard & Ricketstown

Fr John Aughney, Leighlinbridge

Patrick Dowling, Tomard

Greta & James Harkin, Main Street



Notices

Leighlin Parish Development CLG CE Scheme: PART TIME JOB

OPPORTUNITIES IN YOUR LOCAL AREA: If you are aged 21 and over and are getting Jobseekers Benefit or Jobseekers Allowance social welfare payment, you can have worked up to 30 days in the 12 months before starting the CE scheme and still be eligible.

We currently have vacancies right across the Scheme in Bagenalstown, Leighlinbridge, Ballinabranna, Ducketts Grove, Leighlinbridge GAA, Old Leighlin Community Hall, Orchard Lane Housing Ass and Leighlinbridge Parish Centre these range from Environmental Operatives, Assistant Gardeners, Administration Assistants and Caretakers, Please contact your Case officer for referral, further details of each vacancy is available on www.jobsireland.ie. Or email admin@leighlinparishdevelopment.ie if you are interested in working in any of the above areas.

Irish Association of Cardiac Rehabilitation – Podcast: Experienced a cardiac event? 'It's Cardiac Rehab!' – a podcast series for you developed by the Irish Association of Cardiac Rehabilitation and Irish Heart Foundation to support your recovery. Its all about getting you better than before <https://irishheart.ie/services-for-you/its-cardiac-rehab-podcast/>

Safeguarding: If you have an issue with Safeguarding in the Parish please contact the DLP:

Kathleen Sherry 085-8021633 or email dlp@kandle.ie Local safeguarding Reps are

Eileen Johnston, Michael Roche & Liz Dunne.

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A Mighty River
Amos 5: 24

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Registered Charity

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Mass Times:

Leighlinbridge

Confession Sat

6.30 - 7.15pm

Vigil Saturday 7.30pm

Sunday 11.00am

Mon - Thurs 9.30am

Eucharistic Adoration

Wed 2-5pm

Fri 4-8pm

Ballinabranna

Friday 7.30pm

Sunday 9.30am

Confession Friday

6.30 - 7.15pm

Eucharistic Adoration

Wed 2 - 3pm

Fri 6.30 - 7.30pm

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1ST OCTOBER 2023

26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The Dance of Creation:

Brian Grogan SJ, Creation Walk 90-91

We may imagine heaven,
not as an endless choir practice on a wet Sunday afternoon,
but as the unrestricted and all-inclusive joy of
dancing in a transfigured universe.

Even an initial awareness of the infinite imagination
and power of God
who plays in creation shows that ours is already
a dancing universe.

We are part of the unfathomable weave of the universe,
immersed in its deep mystery.
Its dance has already begun: it has always been in process.

Each of us has a role in it.

Jesus and his Father are working (John 4:34) f
or the good of all creation and we can tune in
to their signals and do likewise.

Thomas Merton says that every moment and
every event in every person's life,
plants seeds of spiritual vitality
in their hearts.

This is the divine at work on Earth:
this is grace, and grace is everywhere.

All is sacred, and so are we.

We must not desecrate our Common Home.

We belong to the great Creation Story,
to a whole that is infinitely greater than ourselves.
We are called even now to share with all of creation
'in the freedom of the children of God' (Romans 8:21).

So, let's put on our dancing shoes and learn
the steps of the cosmic dance!

NOTICES

<u>St Fintan's Church</u>		
	<u>Readers</u>	<u>Ministers</u>
Sun 8th Oct 9.30am	Mary Dunne	Cillian Amond
Church Cleaning	Bridie Keating, Mary Quinn, Josephine Fitzgerald	
Church Flowers October	Sally Lawlor	Papers Lucy McNally

<u>St Lazerian's Church</u>		
	<u>Readers</u>	<u>Ministers</u>
Sat 7th Oct 7.30pm	Jennifer Harkin	Anthony Walsh Sally Lawlor
Sun 8th Oct 11.00am	Mandy Ryan	Anita Dunican
Church Cleaning	Lizzie Earl, Oliver Quinn, Maura Devine	
Church Flowers October	Mary Redmond	Reader for Week Benny Mills

October Priest Collection: will be at all Masses on Sat 30th Sept & Sun 1st Oct.

Collection for Morocco: The Apostolic Nunciature in Ireland has been advised through the Embassy of the Kingdom of Morocco that a “*Special Fund for the management of the effects of the earthquake that hit the Kingdom of Morocco*” has been set up. All offertory collected on the **Saturday 7th & Sunday 8th October** will be donated to this worthy cause. Thanking you in advance for your generosity.

Weekend Readers and Ministers: Please find a copy of the Rota for Sept & Oct at the back of your relevant Church. All of you should have a received a message of this Rota also personally. If there any dates you are unable to attend please contact the Parish Office on 059 9722607. Thank you for all your devotion and continued support.

Parish Pastoral Council: The term of the outgoing Parish Pastoral Council has expired and it is time to form a new one. It is hoped to have it in place by the end of October at the latest. We are initially asking for people to volunteer and we are hoping to have representatives from every area, gender and age group. This PPC is being formed at a very important time for the church with the formation of pastoral areas and clusters. If you have an hour per month to spare between October and June and would like to be part of this new PPC please contact Fr Pat Hennessy, Deacon Patrick or the Parish Office. 059 9722607.

Lotto Results:
Old Leighlin:
2, 16, 20, 25
No Winner
Jackpot €9,100

Ballinabranna:
2, 5, 7, 18
One Winner
Jackpot €4,800

Leighlinbridge
4, 5, 18, 19
No Winner
Jackpot €9,600

**24th Sept
Envelopes**
L/B €200
B/B €115

Offertory
L/B €470
B/B €215

Leighlinbridge & District Active Retired: Monday 2nd October Committee Meeting at 2pm, members meeting at 2.30pm in the Parish Centre. Followed by refreshments and line dancing. Pickle ball in Old Leighlin Hall at 2pm in Tuesday. Bowls in the Parish Centre at 2.30pm on Thursday and Friday.

Morning 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.

St Joseph's Young Priests Society: Monthly Meeting on Tuesday 3rd at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre.

ICA: meeting on Thursday 5th October at 7.00pm in Leighlin Parish Centre, new members welcome.

Carlow Regional Pioneer: meeting in Ballymurphy on Saturday 30th September, Mass at 7.30pm

Joining in the Synod: A weekly update on the proceedings in Rome - An Online Series with 1 in-person session on Saturday 4th November. **Dates (Online):** Monday evenings October 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd & 30th **Time: 8.30m** (Each session will take place online and will be approx 20 mins duration) **In-Person:** Saturday 4th November from 11am – 1pm at St John's Welcome Centre *On Saturday 4th November there will be an in-person gathering for discussion at Knock Shrine. Each week we will bring you an update on the proceedings at the Synodal Assembly in Rome. Rev Eugene Duffy in Knock will be in conversation with Rev Eamonn Conway and other distinguished participants at the Synod in Rome, offering insights into the events and discussions of the previous week. It is hoped that the conversations will be of particular interest to members of Diocesan and Parish Pastoral Councils, as well as the general public. On November 4th, we will offer an opportunity to meet in Knock to discuss the insights from the Synod and see how they might apply to dioceses and parishes. This event is free of charge, no bookings necessary. Parish Pastoral Councils are especially encouraged to take part. Join online at www.knockshrine.ie/watch-live No booking necessary.

Catholic Marriage Encounter: To celebrate the 50th anniversary of Catholic Marriage Encounter in Ireland a special Weekend has been scheduled for the 10th -12th November 2023. Venue: The Focolare Centre, Prosperous, Co. Kildare. Eircode W91 XR23 This Weekend is available to all married couples at no fixed charge beyond the deposit of €50 per couple and a voluntary donation. To book visit www.marriageencounter.ie

Carlow Public Participation Network (PPN): are hosting a Community Expo & Networking event in Coláiste Aindriú, Muine Bheag, (R21EH27) on October 12th, (4.30pm-7pm). You are more than welcome to attend. Contact Trish on 087 195 1444 or email carlowppn@carlowcoco.ie