Recent Deaths:

Isaac Coe, The Ridge, Old Leighlin

1st Anniversaries:

Thomas Doyle, Carlow Road. Mass on Saturday 21st Oct at 7.30pm in Leighlinbridge. Elizabeth (Betty) Coleman, Closutton. Mass on Sunday 22nd Oct at 11am in Leighlinbridge. Nicola Nolan, Ballynolan. Mass on Saturday 28th Oct at 7.30pm in Leighlinbridge.

Anniversaries:

Mick & Kitty Farrell, Upper Tomard Robert & Susan Farrell, Ardough Tom McDonald, Leinster View, Ballinabranna Michael Meaney, Seskin, Leighlinbridge Martin & Mary Meaney, The Ridge Peter Fitzsimons, Thomastown Patricia (Patty) McGrath, Finglas West, Dublin Pat & Lil Whelan, Tomard Bridget Flynn, Closutton Tom Kennedy, Rathvinden Sean Flynn, Wells John Byrne, Rathfarnham Theresa Breen Kavanagh, Dublin

Notice

Carlow County Museum: visit Carlow County Museum and see our recently unveiled Carlow GAA trophy display featuring the famed Haughney Cup and the Conlon Cup. Also see objects of national and international importance. Open Monday to Saturday, Free Admission. Carlow County Museum & Carlow Tourist Office, College Street, Carlow Town. Tel: 059-9131554, www.carlowmuseum.ie.

Is your parish interested in finding out how to become an eco-parish? Find out more at this Eco-Congregation Ireland online gathering for all friends in the Leinster region! Sat 11th Nov, 10.00am – 11.00am. This event is open to those in Leinster who are interested in learning how to start their church's eco journey, work towards their ECI Award and develop their work into the future. We will hear from faith communities who have received their ECI Award. They will tell us how they began their journey and how they have continued their work for God's creation. There will be an opportunity for discussion, questions and ideas sharing. If you would like to attend, drop a line to info@ecocongregationireland.com to book a place & you will be sent the zoom link closer to the time.

Art Classes: ladies evening art class in a relaxed and casual setting. Classes are suitable for beginners or improvers. 7 - 9pm contact Dawn on 086 3768810 if interested in joining.

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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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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22ND OCTOBER 2023 29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The Hazel Nut by Julian of Norwich

'God showed me a little thing, the size of a hazelnut, lying in the palm of my hand. I looked upon it and wondered, "What might this be?" And I was answered, "It is all Creation." I marvelled how it could last, for I thought it might suddenly fall to nothing, it was so small.

And I was answered, "It lasts and ever shall last, for God loves it." In this little hazelnut, I saw three truths: the first is that God made it; the second is that God loves it; and the third is that God keeps it safe.'



<u>St Fintan's Church</u>		
	Readers	<u>Ministers</u>
Sun 29th Oct 9.30am	Josephine Fitzgerald	Mary Quinn
Church Cleaning	Claire Jackson, Loretta McNally, Ann Proctor, Valerie Haughney	
Church Flowers October	Sally Lawlor	Papers Seamus Marnane

<u>St Lazerian's Church</u>		
	<u>Readers</u>	<u>Ministers</u>
Sat 28th Oct	Celma Aughney	Jimmy Farrell
7.30pm	-	Mary Meaney (M)
Sun 29th Oct	Aoife Doheny	Paddy O'Brien
11.00am		Mary Clarke
Church Cleaning	Lizzie Earl, Oliver Quinn, Maura Devine	
Church Flowers October	Mary Redmond	Reader for Week Sister Ethel

<u>Mission Sunday:</u> collection will be at all Masses on Sat 21st & Sun 22nd October.

Harvest Mass: will be celebrated on Sat 21st & Sun 22nd October.

Annual Bereavement Mass: will take place on Fri 3rd Nov at 7.30pm in Leighlinbridge.

November Dead List: this year we would like all names to be into the Parish Office no later than the 15th Nov to facilitate having the list completed and published by the end of November. Your continued support with this is greatly appreciated. Please feel free to start leaving your names into the Parish Office as soon as possible. Thanking you all in advance.

Synod News: The first session of the Synodal Assembly has begun in Rome. It began with an ecumenical prayer vigil on 30 Sept & concludes with Mass on 29 Oct. The work of this synod assembly is in continuity with the Spirit led conversations that took place in parishes, dioceses, countries and continents across the world. You can find out more about the Synodal journey so far and what is happening at the Universal phase of the Synod from the Vatican Synod webpage at www.synod.va/en and the webpage for the Irish Synodal pathway at www.synod.ie as well as at the dedicated page on www.Kandle.ie

<u>Lotto Results:</u> <u>Old Leighlin:</u>

1,6, 20, 27 No Winner Jackpot €9,550

Ballinabranna:

1, 11, 17, 20 No Winner Jackpot €4,950

Leighlinbridge

8, 11, 12, 14 No Winner Jackpot €9,800



<u>15th Oct</u> <u>Envelopes</u>

L/B €535 B/B €145

<u>Offertory</u>

L/B €600 B/B €160

Morrocco L/B €125

Oct Clergy

L/B €20 B/B €50

NOTICES

<u>Leighlinbridge & District Active Retired:</u> Mon 23rd Oct, refreshments at 2.30pm followed by Bingo. **No Painting.** Please note Mon 30th Oct - Public Holiday. Painting with Pat Maher will resume on Mon 6th Nov. Pickle Ball in Old Leighlin Hall on Tues at 2pm Bowls in Parish Centre on Thurs & Fri at 2.30pm

<u>Parish Pastoral Council:</u> 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 & 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 & June and would like to be part of this new PPC please contact Fr Pat Hennessy, Deacon Patrick or the Parish Office. 059 9722607.

The Ballinabranna/Raheendoran/Milford Development Group: would like to thank everyone who supported our recent fundraiser. €2167 was raised which was a significant improvement on last year. We would like to thank everyone who donated so generously in particular Clogrennane Lime, the Ballinabranna Water Scheme, Mr & Mrs Bolger of Coolcullen for their extraordinary generosity. We would also like to thank Ballinabranna National School & Barrow Brew for their support in fundraising. €600 of this money will be given to Ballinabranna National School & €400 to the Old School Hall committee with the remainder to finance projects by the Development group.

Rambling House: to meet at the Old School Hall in Ballinabranna on Wed 25th Oct at 8pm.

Community Alert Scheme: In order to maintain our community text alert scheme, we need to raise some funds. The easiest way to ensure that you remain on the system is to use our online payment option. Full details of how to do this will be sent out to all members through the text alert scheme. Alternatively, there will be a collection box placed in the office at the Parish Centre if you would prefer this method of payment. This can be done by leaving an envelope with your name, address and telephone number together with &10. This Payment will maintain your membership until the end of 2024. Any queries can be directed to any of the committee members. The present committee members are Michael Doran, Seamus Somers, Martin Nevin & Eileen Johnston. Thank you.

<u>Its Shoebox Time Again:</u> if you would like to fill a box and help someone less fortunate than you this Christmas, leaflets are available in the Parish Centre or call Emily—Jane 087 6009965/ Ann Kelly 97 22013. Please leave your boxes in the Parish Centre by Fri 10th Nov.

Carlow Flower Club: our October/Halloween Demonstration is by Therese O'Reilly from Naas Flower and Garden Club. All arrangements will be raffled on the night. Competition for all classes will be an arrangement in a Pumpkin. Visitors welcome, visitors fee €10. There will be a plant sale on the night.