

Recent Death:

Seamus Cunningham, 16 Barrowlough, Leighlinbridge.
Norman Cree, Ballyknockan, Leighlinbridge.

Months Mind:

James Minchin, Lower Seskin. Mass on Saturday 9th December at 7.30pm in Leighlinbridge.
John Shaw, Bawnogue. Mass on Sunday 10th December at 11am in Leighlinbridge.

Anniversaries:

Teresa Glendon, St Lazerian's Terrace
John Monahan, St Lazerian's Terrace
Martin Lynch, Old Leighlin
Joanna Lynch, Old Leighlin
Ann Lakes, Monaghan & Old Leighlin
Sean McNally, Carlow Road

Niall Dermody, Clogrennane, Carlow
Paddy & Kathleen Lennon, St Brigid's Cresent, Bagenalstown
Kathleen Brophy (née Whyte), Fonthill, Milford
The Deceased Members of Ballinabranna GAA

Matty Byrne, Royal Oak
Robert Byrne, Royal Oak
Olive Fox, Ballygowan
Jack Lowry (Jnr), Clogrennane
Ned Sheehy, Banagagole

Notices

Online Advent Retreat: The Priory Institute is delighted to offer a **Free of Charge** online retreat 'Reflecting on the Sunday Gospels of Advent' Visit our website prioryinstitute.com for more information.

Carlow Choral Society: Christmas Celebration on Sat 9th Dec at 8pm in the Cathedral of the Assumption in Carlow. Tickets on www.eventbrite.ie €25 per person.

Youth 2000 Ireland: are having their annual Christmas retreat in Dominican College, Newbridge, Co Kildare on the 8th -10th of December for ages 16-35. This promises to be a special retreat!! Excellent Speakers, Inspiring Talks & Workshops, Fantastic music, Group activities, Youth Masses, Adoration, Reconciliation, prayer, Drama, Games & plenty of time to chill out, meet new people and find out what it means to be young & Catholic today!! There are free buses leaving from all over the country to the retreat. Donation only. Find out more and register now on www.youth2000.ie

2024 Pioneer Calendar: The 2024 Pioneer calendar is available from Pioneer centres and from Central Office (01 805 4226). The calendar is designed to offer spiritual support and encouragement to families which are being impacted by alcohol and addiction. The calendar is priced at €5. www.pioneerassociation.org/calendar

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 & Thrs 9.30am
Fri 8th Dec 11.00am
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

LEIGHLIN PARISH NEWSLETTER

3RD DECEMBER 2023

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Leighlin Parish

Day Care

Annual Craft Fair &
Bake Sale

On Saturday 9th

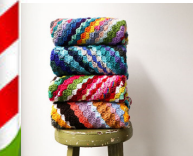
December

7pm to 8.30pm

Leighlinbridge

Parish Centre

Get your handmade gifts for
Christmas:
knitted jumpers, hats,
baby blankets,
tea cosies, aprons,
cushion & quilts.
Homemade cakes & bread



<u>St Fintan's Church</u>		
	<u>Readers</u>	<u>Ministers</u>
Fri 8th Dec 7.30pm	Betty Hughes	Mary Dunne
Sun 10th Dec 9.30am	Terence Farrell	Catherine Ayres
Church Cleaning	Annie Dermody, Kathleen McNally Mai Sheehan	
Church Flowers December	Phil Daly	Papers Catherine Ayres

<u>St Lazerian's Church</u>		
	<u>Readers</u>	<u>Ministers</u>
Fri 8th Dec 11.00am	Benny Mills	Jimmy Farrell Mary Meaney (M)
Sat 9th Dec 7.30pm	Mary Meaney (M)	Anthony Walsh Sally Lawlor
Sun 10th Dec 11.00am	Angela Roche	Paddy O'Brien Mary Clarke
Church Cleaning	Lizzie Earl, Oliver Quinn, Maura Devine	
Church Flowers December	Ann Kelly	Reader for Week Benny Mills

Mass Audits: Bishop Denis Nulty had requested that audits of Mass attendance in the whole diocese should take place on 25th & 26th November and 2nd & 3rd December, an average attendance should be calculated from the attendance on these weekends. These audits are crucial in informing the local decisions of reducing the Mass schedules in the New Year and results should be shared within the parishes clusters to support the decision-making process. Fr Pat Hennessy

The Diocese of Kildare & Leighlin: are seeking to recruit a *SECRETARIAL ASSISTANT* to work in our Diocesan Offices based in Bishop's House in Carlow Town. the position is Part-time, 20 hours per week over 5 days. 1 year initially, subject to renewal. further information available on <https://www.kandle.ie/secretarial-assistant-required/>

Communion Calls: will be on Mon 4th, Wed 6th & Thurs 7th Dec in the usual order.

St. Vincent De Paul Collection: will be at all Masses on Sat 9th & Sun 10th December.

Christmas Mass Bouquets Cards: now available from the Parish office. €5 each.

Lotto Results:

Old Leighlin:

6, 15, 19, 27
No Winner
Jackpot €10,000

Ballinabranna:

3, 12, 14, 17
No Winner
Jackpot €1,050

Leighlinbridge

1, 11, 21, 22
No Winner
Jackpot €1,400

26th Nov

Envelopes

L/B €315
B/B €630

Offertory

L/B €675
B/B €305

Nov Dead

L/B €40
B/B €10

Needy

L/B €570
B/B €200

NOTICES



Christmas Fair & Draw

Sunday 10th December

10am - 2pm

The Old School Hall

Ballinabranna

Leighlinbridge & District Active Retired: Monday December 4th meeting in the Parish Centre. Please note our AGM will take place and we call on all our members to attend. Registration fee €22 is now due. The Ecumenical Service for Christmas will be on Monday 11th December in the Parish Centre. Pickle ball on Tuesday in Old Leighlin Hall at 2. pm Bowls on Thursday and Friday in the Parish Centre at 2.30pm.

Daycare Annual Craft Fair & Bake Sale 2023: will take place on Saturday 9th December Donations of Baked Cakes and Breads will be greatly appreciated. All proceeds go towards our Daycare and we thank you for your generosity.

The AGM of Ballinabranna GFC: will be held on Tues 5th Dec at 7:30pm. All are welcome. Mass for Deceased Members of Ballinabranna GAA will be held on Sun 3rd of Dec in St Fintan's Church at 9:30 am.

Ballinabranna N.S and Scoil Molaise Old Leighlin: are seeking to recruit a joint caretaker for 10 hours a week, between the two schools (5 hours in each). The person would need to be willing to be Garda Vetted and have experience with various aspects of building management. If interested please drop a brief CV into either school by Thurs Nov 30th at 3pm. Interested persons can seek more information in relation to the job from the principal of either school.

Carlow Union of Parishes Advent Talks 2023: Taking place in St Mary's, Haymarket, Carlow on the following dates: Thurs 7th Dec, Leona O'Callaghan, abuse survivor. Thurs 14th Dec, Carlow Community Choir with Director Mary Amond O'Brien. All talks take place at 7.30pm, admission is free. For more information please contact 086-4113989 or email paulfitz1000@hotmail.com

Carlow Regional Pioneers: will hold their monthly meeting in Leighlinbridge on Sat 9th Dec commencing with Mass at 7.30pm in St Lazerian's Church. Meeting to follow in the Parish Centre.

St Josephs Young Priests Society: will hold their monthly meeting in the Parish Centre on Tues 5th Dec at 7.30pm. The 9.30am mass Tuesday morning will be offered for vocations to Priesthood & Religious life for Bishops, Priests & all in Religious life & Deceased Priests & Religious.

Fresh Holly Wreaths For Sale: €12 each. Please contact Marguerite 086-3275291