

Anniversaries:

George Quirke, Lower Coolcullen
Thomas Dolan, The Ridge
Philip Dolan, The Ridge
Katie Earle, Craanluskey
Davy Byrne, Tomard
Kathleen Carthy & deceased family members, Craan
Babs Fitzgerald & deceased family members, Craan
Michael Lillis, St Brigid's Crescent, Bagenalstown
Bridget & Martin Byrne & family, Ballinabranna
Mary & Patrick McDonald & Son Tom, Ballinabranna
James McDonald, Coolnakisha
Patrick Farrell, Ballinabranna
Margaret Farrell, Craanluskey, Bilboa
Robert Farrell, 11 Tommy Murphy Park & 23 Rossmore View
Paul & Bernadette Matthews, Fonthill
Elizabeth Matthews, Fonthill
Peter & Mick Matthews, Fonthill
John & Elizabeth Matthews & their daughter Kate & her husband Michael Hyland, Fonthill
Bill, Nora & James Watchorn & deceased family members, Craanluskey

Notices

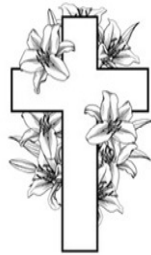
Nourishing our Communities: You are invited to an evening on Tues the 20th of Feb about growing food in our communities, for our communities. The event kicks off with a screening of "Together We Grow" (40 mins), the true story of a community enriched by growing food for their neighbours. A panel discussion, refreshments and chat will follow. Organised by the Co. Carlow Environmental Network (CCEN), please contact info@ccen.ie for information. Venue: Presentation de la Salle School, Bagenalstown, R21 X096 at 7:15pm – 9:30pm FREE admission, book a seat on the CCEN Eventbrite page through our website: www.ccen.ie/together-we-grow/

Gambling & Gaming Addiction Information Evening: Guest speaker Tony O'Reilly Gambling and Addiction Counsellor & Co-Author of 'Tony10' Thursday 29th of February 7pm - 9pm Gleann Na Bearú, Muine Bheag, Co. Carlow, R21Y753 For more information please contact the centre 059 97 22028 or Áine 083 0089055 ainebfrc@gmail.com

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

Wednesday 7.30pm
Friday 7.30pm
Sunday 9.30am
Confession Fri 22nd
6.30 - 7.15pm
Eucharistic Adoration
Wed 2 - 3pm
Fri 6.30 - 7.30pm

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11TH FEBRUARY 2024

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Ash Wednesday Mass

9.30am - Leighlinbridge

7.30pm - Ballinabranna

LENT

Do you feel like your soul could use a good spring cleaning? Lenten prayers can help! Each year during the season of Lent, we prepare to celebrate the passion, death, and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. The 40 day penitential period of prayers, fasting and almsgiving (acts of charity) marks our Lenten journey from Ash Wednesday until Easter.

Lent offers us a wonderful opportunity for spiritual renewal, just as spring approaches! (The term Lent itself comes from the Old English word for spring.)



NOTICES

<u>St Fintan's Church</u>		
	<u>Readers</u>	<u>Ministers</u>
Wed 14th Feb 7.30pm	Mary Dunne	Loretta McNally
Sun 18th Feb 9.30am	Mary Daly	Pat Carter
Church Cleaning	Catherine Ayres, Mary Dunne, Mary Brennan	
Church Flowers February	Lena Delany	Papers Seamus Marnane

<u>St Lazerian's Church</u>		
	<u>Readers</u>	<u>Ministers</u>
Wed 14th Feb 9.30am	Benny Mills	Paddy O'Brien Mary Clarke
Sat 17th Feb 7.30pm	Mary Meaney (M)	George Donoghue Christine Thompson
Sun 18th Feb 11.00am	Mandy Ryan	Kathleen Cummins Noeleen Doyle
Church Cleaning	Marie Roche, Betty Dowling, Mary Monahan, Josie O'Brien	
Church Flowers February	Ann Kelly	Reader for Week Benny Mills

Lotto Results:

Old Leighlin:

15, 16, 26, 27
No Winner
Jackpot €10,000

Ballinabranna:

6, 11, 15, 25
No Winner
Jackpot €1,500

Leighlinbridge

13, 17, 19, 28
No Winner
Jackpot €2,400

Collections

4th Feb 2024

Envelopes

L/B €1925
B/B €430

Offertory

L/B €760
B/B €260



World Day of Prayer for Survivors & Victims of Sexual Abuse: This year's Worldwide Day of Prayer for Survivors and Victims of Sexual Abuse will take place on 16th February, the first Friday of Lent. The Day of Prayer is an initiative of Pope Francis and was first marked in Irish dioceses in 2017. Blessed candles will be lit in parishes across the country as a reminder to the faithful of the need for atonement and to symbolise repentance; light in the darkness and hope. These 'Candles of Atonement' will be lit in diocesan cathedrals and churches on the Day of Prayer, and thereafter during the celebration of Mass and other liturgies. The lighting of the 'Candle of Atonement', and the following prayer, are based on the very moving Penitential Rite composed and prayed by Pope Francis at the final Mass of the 9th World Meeting of Families on 26th August 2018 at Phoenix Park, Dublin, when the Holy Father implored the Lord's mercy for the crimes of abuse and asked for forgiveness.

Leighlinbridge & District Active Retired: meeting on Monday 12th February in the Parish Centre at 2.30pm. Refreshments served by team 2. Followed by exercises with Eleanor at 3.00pm. Pickle Ball on Tuesday at 2.00pm in Old Leighlin Hall. Bowls on Thursday and Friday at 2.30pm in the Parish Centre.

Care of the Aged Summer Break: this year is to the Castlecourt Hotel, Westport, Co Mayo. Dates 3rd June – 7th June. Cost €495 per person sharing. 50 places are available so early booking is recommended. Parishioners have precedence in booking. If interested in going on the Holiday please contact George Donoghue 087 2145814 or Kathleen McNally 086 3499109 or Mary Kehoe 085 1546136.

Carlow regional PTAA: next meeting in Baltinglass on Sat 10th Feb. Mass at 6pm in the Church. Meeting after in the Parish Centre.

Carlow Region PTAA: Annual Dinner Dance in the Seven Oaks Hotel on Sun 25th Feb 2024. Dinner 1.30pm Sharp. Music by Teresa & The Stars. Tickets €30 available from Mary Meaney 086 6027751 or Sally Lawlor 086 8899087

Kilquan Drama Group: present "Separate Beds" by Sam Cree and Directed by Benny Mills. Comedy in Three Acts in Coon Hall (Eir-Code R93 EC89) on 10th and 11th February, 2024 at 8.00 pm nightly. **Admission €10.**

Carlow Easter Camp: 26th - 28th March, 9:30am - 1:30pm, in Askea Boys' School. Activities include Arts & Crafts, Sport, LEGO, Baking, Easter Games and Egg Hunt. Open to students in all primary schools. €40 per child with family discounts available. Contact Fran on 083 3037086 or carloweastercamp@gmail.com for more details.

Carlow Union of Parishes: Are holding a series of talks from 22nd Feb to 20th March in St Mary's Church, Haymarket, Carlow. All are welcome to attend.

Escorted Tour: to Westport, Knock & Co Mayo, 3rd March 2024. €799.00 pps. Price includes 5 nights' in 4* Castlecourt Hotel, Westport with Dinner, Bed & Breakfast. Lunch/ Snack on 2 days. Afternoon Tea at Ashford Castle. All entertainment, excursions & transport included. Visit Knock, Galway City, Kylemore Abbey, Croagh Patrick & Cong. Single supplement on Enquiry. Contact Patricia or Natalie on 094 9006426 or 087 1890236 or email knockpilgrimimages@gmail.com.

Invitation to Meditation: Join Noel Keating and Marian Gaynor on Mon evenings over Lent to discover how meditation, the universal practice of silent contemplation, can awaken the heart, deepen our spiritual sensitivity and promote our wellbeing. No need to book – just turn up! **When:** Each Mon during Lent, from 7 to 7:45 pm beginning on Mon, 19 Feb 2024 **Where:** Cathedral Parish Centre, College Street, Carlow

Leighlinbridge Improvement Group: invites all in the community to a Powerpoint Presentation in the Parish Centre on Friday 16th Feb at 7.00pm. We will be showing what is to take place this year regarding the planting of Pollinator Friendly Planting around our village and our visit to Kilkenny Army Barracks with our young people, so hope all will be able to attend.