

Recent Deaths:

Edward (Ned) Shannon, Galway, Formerly of Leighlinbridge.

Months Mind:

Eileen Amond, Ballygowan. Mass on Sunday 3rd August at 9.30am in Ballinabranna.

1st Anniversaries:

Eamon Coughlan, Bawnree, Old Leighlin. Mass on Sat 26th July at 7.30pm in Leighlinbridge.
George Gahan, Townasock. Mass on Sunday 27th July at 11am in Leighlinbridge.
Kevin Halligan, 13 Eastwood. Mass on Saturday 2nd August at 7.30pm in Leighlinbridge.

Anniversaries:

Mary & Gerard Nolan, Augharue
Jim Hickey, Monemore
Margaret O'Neill, Leighlinbridge
Hannah & Billy McGrath, Rathellen
Elizabeth Brennan, High Street
Paddy & Kathleen Taylor, Ballyknockan
Sean Taylor, Carlisle
Joe Earl, Rathellen & all deceased members of the Earl family
Honohan Family, Rathellen
Angela & Mark Sheehy, Askea Lawns, Carlow
Ger Monaghan, High Street
Michael (Mikie) Dermody, Oldtown, Nurney
Josie Breen (née McEvoy), Ballinaboley & Bunclody



Notices:

Youth Pilgrimage To Croagh Patrick: 23rd August 2025 For young adults (16-35) in the Diocese of Kildare & Leighlin. Join us for a day of faith, challenge and community as we undertake the ancient pilgrimage to the summit of Croagh Patrick on 23rd August. Buses will depart from: Naas, Carlow and Portlaoise. This spiritual journey offers an opportunity for prayer, reflection and connection with fellow young Catholics. Whether you're seeking personal renewal, physical challenge or simply to experience this sacred tradition, all are welcome. Spaces are limited. Registration is essential and a short meeting for all 16-18 year old pilgrims and a parent/guardian will take place on Thursday 14th August at 7.30pm in Portlaoise, Naas and Carlow. For full details and to register, visit: kandle.ie.

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
Saturday 7.30pm
Sunday 11.00am
Mon - Thurs 9.30am

Eucharistic Adoration

Wed 2 - 5pm
Fri 4 - 8pm

Ballinabranna

Sunday 9.30am
Friday 7.30pm

Confession Friday
6.30 - 7.15pm

Eucharistic Adoration

Wed 2 - 3pm
Fri 6.30 - 7.30pm

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27TH JULY 2025

17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
WORLD DAY OF GRANDPARENTS AND
THE ELDERLY

Prayer for Grandparents

*Written by Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI in 2008 for the
Catholic Grandparents Association*

Lord Jesus,
you were born of the Virgin Mary,
the daughter of saints Joachim and Anne.
Look with love on grandparents the world over.
Protect them! They are a source of enrichment
for families, for the Church and for all of society.
Support them! As they grow older,
may they continue to be for their families
strong pillars of Gospel faith,
guardians of noble domestic ideals,
living treasuries of sound religious traditions.
Make them teachers of wisdom and courage,
that they may pass on to future generations the fruits
of their mature human and spiritual experience.

Lord Jesus,
help families and society to value the presence and
roles of grandparents.

May they never be ignored or excluded,
but always encounter respect and love.
Help them to live serenely and to feel welcomed
in all the years of life which you give them.

Mary, Mother of all the living,
keep grandparents constantly in your care,
accompany them on their earthly pilgrimage,
and by your prayers, grant that all families
may one day be reunited in our heavenly homeland,
where you await all humanity for the great
embrace of life without end. Amen.

NOTICES

<u>St Fintan's Church</u>		
	<u>Readers</u>	<u>Ministers</u>
Sun 3rd August 9.30am	Mary Dunne	Catherine Ayres
Church Cleaning	Angela Carter, Alice Fitzgerald	
Church Flowers August	Phil Daly	Papers Declan McDonald

<u>St Lazerian's Church</u>		
	<u>Readers</u>	<u>Ministers</u>
Sat 2nd August 7.30pm	Mary Meaney (M)	Mairead Hayden Bridin Lawlor
Sun 3rd August 11.00am	Sister Ethel	Kathleen Cummins Peter Kelly
Church Cleaning	Liliia, Bernie Price	
Church Flowers August	Ann Kelly	
Reader for Week	Angela Roche - Wed	Benny Mills Mon, Tues, Thur

Graveyard Masses 2025

Killenane	Friday 25th July	7.30pm
Leighlinbridge	Sunday 3rd August	7.00pm
Old Leighlin	Friday 22nd August	T.B.C
Clody	Sunday 7th September	9.30am in Ballinabranna Church

Lotto Results:

Old Leighlin:

12, 16, 18, 22
No Winner
Jackpot € 3,150

Ballinabranna:

1, 6, 12, 20
No Winner
Jackpot € 1,550

Leighlinbridge

6, 7, 9, 14
No Winner
Jackpot € 5,700

20th June 2025

Offertory

L/B € 605
B/B € 236

Envelopes

L/B € 240
B/B € 145

Retired Priests

L/B € 75
B/B € 90

Parish Centre Opening Hours: from 1st July to 31st August will be open from 9.30am to 2.00pm.

Parish Draw: Next Draw takes place on Sun 27th July. The Parish Office is open Mon-Fri 9.30am-2pm & on Sun 27th 10am-11am to facilitate return of Draw Cards. Thank you for your continued support.

Leighlinbridge Improvement Group: A big thank you to you all who continue to show great community spirit, by taking the time to pick up litter, weed outside their gates and business premises, or whatever you do to contribute to making Leighlinbridge a beautiful village to live and work in. Sincere thanks to Leighlinbridge GFC for helping with the tidy up of The Millennium Gardens, your help is much appreciated. A reminder that Carlow Garden Trail kicks off on 26th July at 2pm in Leighlinbridge, with a foraging adventure along the River Barrow, this walk will be led by Mary White one of Ireland's leading foraging experts. For more information visit www.carlowgardentrails.com

Tidy Town: The Tidy Town Committee would like people to volunteer to strim the bank outside the graveyard in preparation for the Graveyard Mass. Please meet at the above area on Tuesday 29th July at 6pm.

The Ballinabranna Graveyard Committee: wish to express our gratitude to everyone who attended the recent cemetery Mass. And huge thank you for donation. We received €2,004.74.

Ballinabranna Rambling: is cancelled next Wednesday 30th July. Back again Wednesday 27th August. All welcome then.

The Tomard Graveyard Committee: would most sincerely like to thank all those who help with the upkeep of the graveyard throughout the year and to express our gratitude to everyone who attended our recent cemetery Mass. Many thanks for your donations. We received €403.68.

South Leinster Money Advice & Budgeting Service: Free, independent and confidential Money Management and Advice Service. Assisting people in dealing with their existing debts, Mortgage arrears and helping them to begin to manage their own resources. MABS offers free Debt Relief Advice under Personal Insolvency options. Money Management Sessions provided for Transition/Leaving Cert Students & Community Groups. **Carlow MABS:** 72d Tullow Street, Carlow, Tel: 0818 072070

National Grandparents Pilgrimage 2025: Celebrating The World Day for Grandparents & the Elderly. Sunday 27th July. Plenary Indulgence granted for the occasion. Those unable to join us in person can take part online at www.knockshrine.ie/watch Telephone: +353(0)94 938 8100

Top Ten Ways to Help Pollinators: Plant pollinator friendly trees: Native trees and shrubs such as Willow, Hawthorn, Rowan, Crab Apple, and Holly support huge numbers of insects including pollinators. **Why:** Trees that blossom in Spring are a low-maintenance, vital source of food for pollinators. Trees contribute to a healthy climate and biodiversity, supporting a rich variety of organisms such as lichens, mosses, birds, mammals, and insects.

Where: Anywhere there is space. pollinators.ie/top-ten-ways-to-help-pollinators/

July Collections: will be at all masses on Saturday 26th & Sunday 27th July.

Church Cleaners: urgently needed for Leighlinbridge Church.

We are down to two teams so any volunteers would be greatly appreciated.

Please contact the Parish Office on 059 9722607. Thank you.

