Recent Deaths:

Ann Shore (née Purcell), Coon West.

1st Anniversaries:

Martin Foxe, Ballygowan

John Rea, Old Leighlin

Anniversaries:

James O'Neill, Leighlinbridge
Patrick (Patsy) Clancy, St. Lazerian's St.
Stephen Long, Closutton
Bridie Comerford, Seskinrea
Cyril Thompson, Bawnogue
Joseph & Kathleen Carolan, Athy
Michael & John Carolan, Athy
John (Jack) Lawlor, Bilboa Cross & Birmingham
James (Jim) Campbell, Leighlinbridge

Michael & Marian Nolan, Augharue David Bambrick, Monemore The Nolan Family, Closutton Mary Amond, Ballygowan Mary McDonnell, Rathellen Patrick Dermody, Harrow Cross Michael McAssey, Seskin Road Mike Meaney, Rathvinden

Kathleen Fitzpatrick (née Price), Huddersfield & formerly St. Lazarian's Terrace Patrick, Ann, Kathleen & Pat Curran and all deceased members of Curran Family, Carlow Rd

Notices

<u>Carlow Flower Club:</u> begin their 2025/26 season on Tuesday 30th September next at $8.00 \mathrm{pm}$ in the Woodford Dolmen Hotel, Kilkenny Road, Carlow. New members always welcome. The club meets on the last Tuesday of every month. Annual membership 640.00. (Visitors $610 \mathrm{per}$ night). The September Demonstrator will be Sandra Jackson AOIFA Demonstrator and Teacher from Conna Flower Club. Looking forward to welcoming back all our members and friends. Competition for all classes, "Three Garden Flowers in a Jar"

Top Ten Ways to Help Pollinators: Think twice about getting a hive of honeybees On the island of Ireland, we have one honeybee species, and it is not in decline. Most honeybees are 'domesticated pollinators', living in hives and managed by beekeepers. Our 100+ wild bee species are under threat. If we have too many honeybee hives in the landscape, they can compete for food with our struggling wild pollinators. You should only get a honeybee hive if you want to start a new hobby, but it is not the best thing to do for biodiversity. pollinators.ie/top-ten-ways-to-help-pollinators/

<u>Safeguarding:</u> If you have an issue with Safeguarding in the Parish please contact the DLP: Ailish Higgins 085-8021633 or email dlp@kandle.ie Local safeguarding Reps are Eileen Johnston, Michael Roche & Liz Dunne.

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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 Confession Fri 6.30-7.15 Friday 7.30pm

Eucharistic Adoration

Wed 2 - 3pm Fri 6.30 - 7.30pm

LEIGHLIN PARISH NEWSLETTER

21ST SEPTEMBER 2025 25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

A prayer for our earth from Laudato Si'

All-powerful God, you are present in the whole universe and in the smallest of your creatures.

You embrace with your tenderness all that exists.

Pour out upon us the power of your love, that we may protect life and beauty.

Fill us with peace, that we may live as brothers and sisters, harming no one.

O God of the poor,

help us to rescue the abandoned and forgotten of this earth, so precious in your eyes.

Bring healing to our lives,

that we may protect the world and not prey on it, that we may sow beauty, not pollution and destruction.

Touch the hearts

of those who look only for gain at the expense of the poor and the earth.

Teach us to discover the worth of each thing, to be filled with awe and contemplation, to

recognize that we are profoundly united with every

creature as we journey towards your infinite light.

We thank you for being with us each day.

Encourage us, we pray, in our struggle for justice, love and peace.

Amen.

<u>St Fintan's Church</u>			
	Readers	<u>Ministers</u>	
Sun 28th Sept 9.30am	Padraig Farrell	Dorel Picovici	
Church Cleaning	Catherine Ayres, Mary Dunne, Mary Brennan		
Church Flowers September	Mary Daly	Papers Catherine Ayres	

St Lazerian's Church			
	<u>Readers</u>	<u>Ministers</u>	
Sat 27th Sept 7.30pm	Mary Meaney (M)	Anthony Walsh, Sally Lawlor	
Sun 28th Sept 11.00am	Benny Mills	Anita Dunican, Marie Roche	
Church Cleaning	Margaret Foley, Kathleen Cummins, Catherine Brennan, Margaret Purcell		
Church Flowers September	Mary Redmond		
Reader for Week	Angela Roche - Wed	Margaret Lawlor Mon, Tues, Thur	

Lotto Results: Old Leighlin: 1, 15, 17, 22 No Winner Jackpot € 4,350

Ballinabranna: 17, 19, 24, 25 No Winner Jackpot € 1,950

Leighlinbridge 17, 19, 20, 24 No Winner Jackpot € 6,400



Garden of Peace Isaiah 32:14-18

14th Sept 2025 Offertory L/B € 545 B/B € 241

Envelopes L/B € 235 B/B € 200

Our Harvest Mass in Leighlinbridge & Ballinabranna: will be at all Masses on weekend Saturday 4th & Sunday 5th October. Anyone able to help with decorating the Church please contact the Parish Centre on (059) 9722607.

Harvest festival service in St. Lazarian's Cathedral: will be on Sunday the 28th at 7pm. The preacher will be the new Dean, The Very Rev'd Máirt Hanley, all are welcome and children are invited to bring a harvest item/ basket to be blessed if they wish.

NOTICES

<u>Carlow Regional P.T.A.A:</u> Monthly meeting on Wednesday 24th September in Parish Centre Goresbridge. The Annual raffle will take place at this meeting. All raffle cards returned on or before this date.

Ballinabranna Rambling House: will take place in Ballinabranna GAA clubhouse on Wednesday 24th September at 7:45pm. Come along, play a tune, sing a song, tell a story, or just listen. Everyone welcome. Refreshments served. Admission €5.

Parkinson's Boxing: Fighting back against Parkinson's Disease, Saturday, 2pm, Raging Bull Boxing Club, Green Lane R93 V327. For more information, contact Niall Larkin on 085 7768716 or parkinsonboxingcarlow@gmail.com . First session free, following session €12 per person.

<u>Memory Walk:</u> Sunday, 21st Sept at 11am, Oak Park Forest, Carlow. A family-friendly walk raising awareness and support for people living with dementia. Register online on the ASI website or on the day. You will receive a T-shirt when registration is online.

<u>Carlow Social Club:</u> Thursday, 26th Sept. 11-1pm at Bethany House, Carlow. A warm, welcoming space for people with dementia, their families, and carers to connect, enjoy activities, and find support.

<u>Memory Walk & Carlow Social Club:</u> both events are part of our efforts to make Carlow a dementia-inclusive community, reducing stigma and building kindness and understanding. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Season of Creation 1st September – 4th October 2025: Peace with Creation "Future generations will never forgive us if we miss the opportunity to protect our common home. We have inherited a garden; we must not leave a desert for our children." Joint statement from Pope Francis, the Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew and Archbishop Justin Welby of Canterbury. This year's Season of Creation has as its theme "Peace with Creation", inspired by the passage from Isaiah 32:14-18; "My people will abide in a peaceful habitation, in secure dwellings, and in quiet resting places." In a world of challenges and division, marked by war and climate change, how can we as people of faith create and work towards peace with creation? Every one of us has a part of play. For this year's resources see https://www.catholicbishops.ie/season-of-creation-2025/

CHOIRS FOR GAZA – CEOL NA gCÓR: Thursday, 2nd October @ 7.30pm. A choral concert of songs, hymns and psalms performed 'as Gaeilge' by several parish & community choirs. All proceeds to the relief of the families and children of Palestine. Please support. Venue: St. Clare's Church, Graiguecullen, Carlow R93 E048

Why Sunday Matters – Pastoral on Sunday: Parishioners are invited to read and reflect on this document from the Irish Bishops on the significance of Sunday. Copies can be found at the rear of church and on www.catholicbishops.ie