

Months Mind:

Paddy Delaney, Craan. Mass on Saturday 4th October at 7.30pm in Leighlinbridge.

1st Anniversaries:

Jack Lowry, Ballyhide. Mass on Sunday 5th October at 9.30am in Ballinabranna.

Paddy Maher, Clorusk, Bagenalstown. Mass on Sun 12th October at 11am in Leighlinbridge.

Margaret Brennan, 14 Kyleshall. Mass on Friday 17th October at 7.30pm in Ballinabranna.

Anniversaries:

Seamus O'Neill, Leighlinbridge

Jenny Doyle, Castledermot

Mary Doyle, Castledermot

Rose Lawlor, High St.

Michael Fitzpatrick, Blessington

Joe Brennan, Ballinaboley

Fr. John Aughney, Leighlinbridge

William (Billy) Grannells, Ballinabranna & Nottingham

John & Kathleen O'Neill & sons, Jack, Tom & Oliver, Raheendoran

David Kearney, Ballinaboley

Paddy Norris, Closutton

James, Tim & Tom Donoghue, Orchard

Mary King (née McGrath), Rathellen

Notices:

Leighlinbridge National School Student Enrolment 2026/2027: Applications will be accepted from Monday 6th October 2025 to Friday 24th October inclusive. Application Forms are available at www.leighlin.net, by emailing: leighlinbridge@gmail.com or from the School. A Copy of our Admission Policy and Annual Admission Notice is available on our School website: www.leighlin.net

Little Orchard Community Childcare CLG: Wish to recruit a Full Time Early Years Educator, hours of work 8.30am-5.30pm. Closing Date for Applications 30/10/2025 at 12pm. Application for role by Cover letter and CV for the attention of the Manager by email to littleorchardcommunitychildcare@yahoo.com.

Top Ten Ways to Help Pollinators: Be careful with wildflower seed mixes. You might be surprised to hear that sowing wildflower seed mixes can be detrimental to local biodiversity. Many wildflower seed mixes contain non-native species, and can inadvertently introduce invasive species. Please avoid using them where possible. pollinators.ie/top-ten-ways-to-help-pollinators/

Safeguarding: 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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Garden of Peace
Isaiah 32:14-18

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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

Confession Fri

6.30-7.15pm

Friday 7.30pm

Eucharistic Adoration

Wed 2 - 3pm

Fri 6.30 - 7.30pm

LEIGHLIN PARISH NEWSLETTER

5TH OCTOBER 2025

27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Season of Creation 2025 Prayer

Creator of all,

we praise you for the gift of life

and for the faith that unites us in care for our common home.

We confess how estranged we have become—

from one another, from your Creation,

and from our truest selves.

We acknowledge that our greed and destructive impulses

have fractured our relationships with you,

with others, and with the Earth.

Fertile fields have become barren,

forests lie desolate, oceans and rivers are polluted.

Thriving communities have become places of suffering,

and the earth cries out.

Beloved Christ,

who spoke “Shalom” to frightened hearts,

stir us to compassionate action.

Inspire us to work for the end of conflict,

and for the full restoration of broken relationships—

with you, with the ecumenical community,

with the human family, and with all Creation.

Prince of Peace,

through your wounds, teach us to stand in solidarity

with the woundedness of others,

of creation, and of the world.

Through your resurrection,

make us people of hope—

with a vision of swords turned into ploughshares

and tears transformed into joy.

May we come together as one family,

to labour for your peace—

a shalom where all your people

may dwell in safety, and rest in quiet places.

Amen.

NOTICES

St Fintan's Church

	<u>Readers</u>	<u>Ministers</u>
Sun 12th Oct 9.30am	Loretta Stedman	Josephine Fitzgerald
Church Cleaning	Bridie Keating, Mary Quinn, Josephine Fitzgerald	
Church Flowers October	Sally Lawlor	Papers Kathleen O'Boyle

St Lazerian's Church

	<u>Readers</u>	<u>Ministers</u>
Sat 11th Oct 7.30pm	Margaret Purcell	Mairead Hayden, Bridin Lawlor
Sun 12th Oct 11.00am	Mandy Ryan	Paddy O'Brien, Mary Clarke
Church Cleaning	Marie Roche, Betty Dowling, Mary Monahan, Josie O'Brien	
Church Flowers October	Betty Dowling, Mary Clarke	
Reader for Week	Angela Roche - Wed	Margaret Lawlor Mon, Tues, Thur

Lotto Results:

Old Leighlin:

6, 7, 19, 21
No Winner
Jackpot € 4,650

Ballinabranna:

2, 4, 17, 27
No Winner
Jackpot € 2,050

Leighlinbridge

6, 19, 20, 21
No Winner
Jackpot € 6,700



28th Sept 2025

Offertory

L/B € 565
B/B € 205

Envelopes

L/B € 350
B/B € 140

FIRST COMMUNION 2026:

Ballinabranna 9th May 2026 at 11am
Old Leighlin 16th May 2026 at 11am
Leighlinbridge 23rd May 2026 at 11am

CONFIRMATION 2026:

Old Leighlin 26th March 2026 at 1.30pm
Leighlinbridge 27th March 2026 at 10.30am
Ballinabranna 27th March 2026 at 2pm

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.

Leighlinbridge Active Retirement: will meet as usual in the Parish Centre at 2:30pm on Monday 6th October. Exercise from 3pm.

Leighlinbridge Dementia Friendly Community: invites you to WALK and CHAT at Superbowl, Leighlinbridge on Saturday, October 11th, at 2.00 p.m. to 3.30 p.m. An opportunity for those living with Dementia, their Families and Carers, to come together for a stroll and a chat. Refreshments afterwards in Parish Centre. ALL WELCOME.

Prayers for the Pre-Synodal Assembly of the Catholic Church in Ireland:

All Catholics are invited to pray for a special gathering that will take place in Kilkenny on 18 October, called a Pre-Synodal Assembly of the Catholic Church in Ireland. This assembly is an important juncture on the journey towards a National Synodal Assembly to be held in 2026. Around 240 people will be in attendance and these are drawn from each diocese on the island, Religious Congregations and Church movements. A preparatory document, entitled Baptised and Sent - the fruits of listening sessions across Ireland last spring - will be the basis for discussion at this gathering, and for the next stage of the journey of renewal. Central to the document is a renewed focus on baptism as the foundation of our Christian dignity, unity, and mission and how baptism infuses the life and mission of the Church in Ireland today and into the future. You are invited to read this document by visiting www.synod.ie/baptised-and-sent-preparatory-document-available-now/ Please pray that the Holy Spirit will guide the conversations at Kilkenny, and those flowing from it, as we walk together as sisters and brothers of Christ, united by our baptism and filled with hope.

St. Luke's General Hospital, Kilkenny Annual Remembrance Mass: will take place on Tuesday 21st October at 7:30pm in St. Canice's Parish Church, Kilkenny R95 V440. It is an opportunity for families and loved ones of patients who have died in the hospital to come together prayer and remembrance. All are welcome to attend.

Marriage Enrichment Weekend: Date: November 7th-9th Venue "Focolare" Centre, Curryhills, Prosperous, Co. Kildare. For info. and booking www.marriageencounter.ie

Free Pre-Registration Training Course for Childminders: Are you a Childminder caring for children in your own home? Are you considering becoming a Childminder and wondering what steps to take next? If so, would you like to attend a FREE Pre-Registration Training Course for Childminders, taking place on Tuesday 14th and Wednesday 15th October from 6.30pm-10pm at Enterprise House, Carlow. This training has been organised by Carlow County Childcare Committee. Spaces are limited. Booking is essential. Please contact Eilish/Jean on 059 9140244 or email info@carlowccc.ie for further information or to book your place.

Our Harvest Mass in Leighlinbridge & Ballinabranna: will be on this weekend at all Masses Saturday 4th & Sunday 5th October.

October Clergy Collection: Takes place at all Masses next weekend the 11th & 12th of October.



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WITH CREATION**
SEASON OF CREATION 2025