

Recent Deaths:

Paul Murphy, Castlebar.
Jim Byrne, Thomastown, formerly Old Leighlin.
Grace Quirke, Crewe, England, formerly Bawnree.
Josephine (Josie) McAssey, Seskin Road.

1st Anniversaries:

Liz Campbell, Main St. Leighlinbridge. Mass on Sun 9th Nov at 11am in Leighlinbridge
Ellen Glynn, Raheendoran. Mass on Sunday 9th Nov at 9.30am in Ballinabranna.
Edward Hughes, Ballinabranna, Clogrennane. Mass on Sun 16th Nov at 9.30am in Ballinabranna.

Anniversaries:

Martin Kelly & his son Baby David Kelly	Margaret Malone, Raheendoran
John Lawlor, Ballygowan	Eugene Brennan, High Street
Norrie Roche, Moanmore	Margaret Hayes, St. Lazerian's Street
John Glynn, Raheendoran	Patrick & Alice Mulrooney, Conicare
Oliver (Ollie) Haughney, Kyleshall, Raheendoran	Annie Heffernan, Paulstown
Sean Cleary, Carrigobrien, Athlone	Sean Heffernan, Paulstown
Patrick Dermody, Ballinaboley	James Byrne, Craan
Patrick (Patsy) Flynn, Seskin Road	Foley Family, The Ridge
Mary Harkin, Main St.	Mrs Catherine McCarthy, Ballinaboley
Maura O'Sullivan, New York & Main St.	Mulrooney Family, Oldtown
Rita Daly, Dun Laoghaire & Main St.	Larry & Bridie Breen, Main St.
Richard & Julia Birmingham, Ballinaboley and their sons Tom & Richard	
Josie Wynne, The Courthouse, Carlow	

Notices:

Leighlinbridge Improvement Group: A meeting will be held on Thursday 13th November at 8.00pm in the Parish Centre. This is your village, your voice, come along and give your opinion and views on what you love about the village and what you would like to see improved in the village! Last week volunteers were kept busy sweeping up leaves on the streets, the church yard and the church carpark. The decomposing leaves provide the perfect organic matter for a great pile of compost. Once broken down, they provide a very useful alternative to shop-bought compost. (Nature's Gold). This is a good time to plant some ornamental Pollinator friendly Spring bulbs too, Crocus, Grape Hyacinth, Allium, Snowdrops and Snake's Head (Fritallary). All of those bulbs are very colourful, while not as valuable as native species found in woodlands, they can supplement the food required by pollinators, when food is scarce.

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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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

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9TH NOVEMBER 2025

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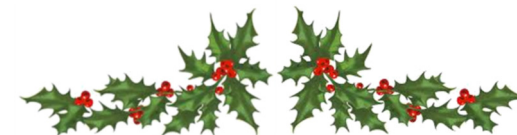
Leighlin Parish Daycare Annual Craft Fair & Bake Sale

**On Saturday 22nd November
5pm - 8.30pm**

*Get your handmade gifts
for Christmas:
Knitted Jumpers
Hats & Scarves
Baby Blankets
Tea Cosies & Aprons
Cushions & Quilts
Homemade Cakes & Breads*

**Donations of baked goods would be greatly
appreciated. These can be left into
the Parish Office from 9.30am to 4.30pm
on Friday 21st November
or brought on the day.**


Thank you.



St Fintan's Church

	<u>Readers</u>	<u>Ministers</u>
Sun 16th Nov 9.30am	Family Reader	Mary Dunne
Church Cleaning	Catherine Ayres, Mary Dunne, Mary Brennan	
Church Flowers November	Angela Carter	Papers Daniel Pender

St Lazerian's Church

	<u>Readers</u>	<u>Ministers</u>
Sat 15th Nov 7.30pm	Lisa Roche	George Donoghue, Mary Meaney (B)
Sun 16th Nov 11.00am	Mandy Ryan	Maisie Mills, Kathleen Cummins
Church Cleaning	Liliia, Bernie Price	
Church Flowers November	Ann Kelly	
Reader for Week	Angela Roche - Wed	Benny Mills Mon, Tues, Thurs

November Dead List: This year we would like all names to be into the Parish Office no later than 14th November to facilitate having the list completed and published by the end of November. Your continued support with this is greatly appreciated. Thanking you all in advance.

The Irish Catholic: has increased in Price to €3.50 since October 2nd 2025.

Lotto Results:

Old Leighlin:

4, 7, 10, 22
No Winner
Jackpot € 5,400

Ballinabranna:

7, 8, 20, 24
No Winner
Jackpot € 2,300

Leighlinbridge

3, 8, 21, 25
No Winner
Jackpot € 7,200

Offertory

1st Nov 2025

B/B € 125

2nd Nov

L/B € 620
B/B € 280

Envelopes

L/B € 350
B/B € 220

October Priests

L/B € 180
B/B € 5

Missions

L/B € 85
B/B € 10

Nov Dead

L/B € 525
B/B € 215

NOTICES

Leighlinbridge Active Retirement: will meet every Monday in the Parish Centre Leighlinbridge at 2.30pm. Bowls will continue on Thursday and Fridays at 2.30pm. Pickle Ball in Old Leighlin on Tuesdays at 2pm, Cost for Pickle Ball is €5 and all are welcome.

Its Shoebox Time Again: if you would like to fill a box and help someone less fortunate than you this Christmas, leaflets are available in the Parish Centre or call Ann Kelly 059-9722013. Please leave your boxes in the Parish Centre by Mon 10th November.

Message from Bishop Denis re Department of Education survey on school

patronage: The current Department of Education survey on the future of patronage in the primary sector is important in that it will shape the discussion on primary school divesting for the years to come throughout the Republic of Ireland. It is important that those who wish for a change in patronage would have their voice heard. It is equally important that those who wish for a Catholic Education for their children and for those who would wish for sacramental preparation within school would have their voice heard also. For those reasons and to ensure that an accurate picture emerges, please participate in this survey if you are a parent or a prospective parish of a primary school student. The survey can be accessed at <https://www.gov.ie/en/departments-of-education/campaigns/primary-school-survey/> The survey closes on 16th December 2025.

Memorial Service: A Memorial Service for babies who passed away through miscarriage, still births, neo-natal deaths will take place in Caragh Church on Friday 14th November at 7.30pm. All are welcome.

In November We Remember: Follow the diocesan X (@KANDLEi) and Facebook (KANDLEi) pages to receive daily posts for the month of November, with posts on the Christian understanding of death and prayers to accompany you in this month when we especially remember and pray for our dead.

Reflecting on the Sunday Readings in Advent: Scripture Reflections for the Sundays of Advent will be available on www.kandle.ie ahead of Advent. Why not join with others in praying and reflecting on these readings in this special season of preparation in our Church. Our parish reflection group will meetwhere/when...or: If there isn't one in the parish or if the local time does not suit, you are welcome to download the resource and gather your own small group.

Bilboa Church Craft & Food Fair: with Flower Demonstrations, will be held in the Woodford Dolmen Hotel on Sunday 16th November from 12 noon until 4.30pm.

CMAI Conference: The Catholic Medical Association of Ireland (formerly known as the Irish Catholic Doctors Learning Network) will hold its annual Conference in the St Charles Centre, Mount Argus, Dublin 6W, on Saturday, 22nd November 2025, from 9.00am to 4.00 pm. The theme of the Conference is "Medicine as a Beacon of Hope in a changing World". The Conference Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Kevin Doran. For more information, email icdln@eircom.net

Person Available: To look after Horses and Ponies at the weekend in Carlow-Kilkenny Area. Please phone Alexandra on 085 8099535.