

Recent Deaths:

Bernadette O'Kelly (née Walshe), Camogue House, Newcastle, Wicklow
Caroline Doyle, Raheendoran, Carlow
Tom Haughney, Crossneen, Carlow

1st Anniversary:

Michael Delaney, The Ridge, Old Leighlin. Mass on Sat 14th Feb at 7.30pm in Leighlinbridge.
Frances Clarke, Seskin Road Leighlinbridge. Mass on Sun 15th Feb at 11am in Leighlinbridge.
Noel Joseph O'Neill, Dublin, formerly Old Leighlin.

Anniversaries:

Maria Lawler, Lacken, Old Leighlin
James & Margaret Dooley, Raheendoran
James Dooley (Jnr), Late of Raheendoran
Joe Dooley, Late of Raheendoran
Michael Dooley, Raheendoran
Paddy & Billie Dooley, Carlow
Kathleen O'Neill, Palatine
Nan Purcell, Raheendoran
Pat & Nora Conneran, Naas
Paddy & Julia Moore, Graiguecullen

Katie Earl, Craanluskey
Brigid Meaney, The Ridge
Patrick Farrell, Ballinabranna
Andrew O'Neill, Crossard, Wolfhill
Elizabeth Delaney, Crossard, Wolfhill
George Quirke, Lower Coolcullen
Thomas Dolan, The Ridge
Philip Dolan, The Ridge
Kathleen Dolan, The Ridge

Notices:

Leighlinbridge Improvement Group: will hold a meeting on Thursday 12th February at 7.30 in the Parish Centre. As winter loses its grip and Spring draws its first breath, it's a good time to gather and set the vision for the year ahead. As a community our focus turns towards growth, sustainability and maintaining our award winning standards. We hope you will be able to make the meeting on the 12th, your opinions and advice is greatly valued. We appreciate all the work done by our volunteers.

Open Morning & Enrolment - Our Lady's NS, Nurney: Parents/guardians and their pre-school children are warmly invited to visit us on Tuesday 10th February at 10am. The morning includes a Moo Music workshop followed by tea/coffee for parents. Younger siblings welcome. Places limited – RSVP nurneyns@gmail.com / 083 0479168. Our Lady's NS, Nurney is also welcoming applications for new pupils for September 2026. Details and application form at www.ourladysnurney.com. Now offering Breakfast club and Afterschool's service. Subsidies available.

Safeguarding: If you have an issue with Safeguarding in the Parish please contact the DLP: Michele Hughes 086-1710643 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-Thur 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

LEIGHLIN PARISH NEWSLETTER

**8TH FEBRUARY 2026
5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

The Healing Touch of God

February is a month when we are conscious of healing—the healing influence of Brigid, the healing intercessions of Blaise and the healing invitation of Mary at Lourdes. As we gather to celebrate the healing touch of Christ, we are grateful that he shared our life with all its complexities, joys and struggles.

Aware that he desired to lead us to wholeness and to find our way to our Creator, he opened the eyes of the blind, the ears of the deaf and freed the bodies bound by paralysis. His life showed us how to love and his death revealed the depth of this love. As we gather to pray for healing for ourselves, for one another and for our world, we ask God's Spirit to bring us the healing we so desperately seek.

Heal our hurting and pain-filled bodies, the uncomfortable, unresolved issues in our hearts and the fragmented areas of our lives. Enable us to share with others the love, compassion and healing that you have shared with us so that we can be channels of healing for one another.

We ask this through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honour to God,

Amen.

NOTICES

St Fintan's Church

	<u>Readers</u>	<u>Ministers</u>
Sun 15th Feb 9.30am	Tom O'Keeffe	Mary Dunne
Church Cleaning	Catherine Ayres, Mary Dunne, Mary Brennan	
Church Flowers February	Mary Hegarty	Papers Kathleen O'Boyle

St Lazerian's Church

	<u>Readers</u>	<u>Ministers</u>
Sat 14th Feb 7.30pm	Family Reader	Anthony Walsh, Sally Lawlor
Sun 15th Feb 11.00am	Family Reader	Anita Dunican, Marie Roche
Church Cleaning	Marie Roche, Betty Dowling, Mary Monahan, Josie O'Brien	
Church Flowers February	Ann Kelly	
Reader for Week	Angela Roche Wed	Sister Ethel Mon, Tues, Thurs

Mass of Anointing of the sick: on Saturday 14th February at 11.00am in Leighlinbridge Church.

2026 Weekly Envelopes: are now ready for pick up from the Parish Centre. Opening hours 9.30am - 5pm on Mon - Fri.

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.

New Readers: urgently needed for both Saturday 7.30pm and Sunday 11am Mass. Please contact the Parish Centre on 059 9722607. Thank You.

Lotto Results:

Old Leighlin:

9, 15, 19, 27
No Winner
Jackpot € 7,350

Ballinabranna:

9, 13, 14, 16
No Winner
Jackpot € 2,950

Leighlinbridge:

1, 8, 18, 22
No Winner
Jackpot € 2,000

1st Feb 2026

Offertory

L/B € 690
B/B € 265

Weekly

L/B € 515
B/B € 180

Shrine

B/B € 330



Leighlinbridge Active Retirement: will have a Committee Meeting on Monday at 1:45pm, Members meeting at 2:30pm. Activities for the next four weeks will be a lady giving a talk on how to trace your heritage. Pickleball in Old Leighlin on Tuesday and Bowls in the Parish Centre on Thursday and Friday as usual.

Care of the Age Summer Break: this year summer break is to Killarney, Co. Kerry. Staying at the Castlerosse Hotel. Dates 1st to 5th June. Price €525 per person sharing. Single supplement €35 extra per night. Limited availability of single rooms. Price includes: Transfer to and from Leighlinbridge by luxury coach. Dinner, Bed and Breakfast each night. All day tours, excursions etc by luxury coach. Anyone interested in going on the Summer Break please give your name to a Committee Members: George 087 2145814, Kathleen 086 3499109 and Ann Nevin 087 6917081. Deposit of €100 to be collected in Leighlinbridge Parish Centre on Tuesday 10th March. Deposit is non-refundable. Parishioners have precedence in booking. Non parishioners on reserve list.

Graduates: Don't Lose Your Seanad Vote: Irish citizens with degrees from designated 3rd level colleges are eligible to vote in the 'Higher Education' constituency which replaces the NUI and Trinity panels in Seanad Éireann. Thousands of previous voters are unaware that they have been removed from the register. To secure your vote, go to www.seanadvoter.ie before February 26th. Evidence of a passport is needed or else email applications@seanadvoter.ie

Rainbows Carlow: Now has a new email and phone number to contact Carlow Rainbows. rainbows.carlowtown@gmail.com and 087 1256199. The Spring term of peer support groups commences on Mon 23rd Feb, at 4.30pm in Askea Parish Centre. New facilitators to help with facilitating groups are always welcome and support is provided please get in touch if you would be interesting in volunteering with us.

The Totus Tuus annual pilgrimage to Fatima: will take place from 28th August to 4th September. Learn about the Fatima Message, the Rosary, the First Saturdays, the lives of the three visionaries, and visit the tomb and home of Blessed Alexandrina Da Costa, who lived solely on the Eucharist for 13 years. The cost is €915 which includes, flights, half board accommodation, airport transfers, day trip to Balasar, trip to Valinhos and Adjustrel, trip to the Irish Dominican Sisters' Convent. There are places available to fly from Cork Airport, and also from Dublin Airport. Limited places are available. For more information call Damien on 087 20 49 048

Carlow Institute (FET): will hold an Open Day on Thursday, 12th February 2026. This popular annual event is ideal for students, parents, and adult learners who are considering a return to education or exploring new study options.

The male domestic abuse: support service offers 1:1 confidential support to men experiencing abuse of any kind from their partner of any gender. Please contact 0832088689 or email lauraryan@bagenalstownfrc.ie for more information.