

Recent Deaths:

Maurice Hennessy, Coolcullen, Carlow

Month's Mind:

Tadgh Walshe, Royal Oak

Anniversaries:

Elizabeth Murphy, High Street	Martin Whelan, Tomard & Mansfield
Carmel O'Shea, The Downs, Pollerton	Mick & Nan Lowry, Clogrennane
Ned Cradden, Madlin, Leighlinbridge	Mary Phelan, Finglas, Dublin
Jackie Nevin, Closutton	Kathleen & Paddy Lennon, St Brigid's Crescent
Mary Canavan (née Nevin), Closutton	
Anastatia Lakes, Seskin Road	
Edward Earl, Craanluskey	
Terri McDonagh (née Bolger), Brittas, Co. Dublin & Leighlinbridge	
Paddy (Pa) Nolan, 17 St. Lazarian's Tce & his daughter Dina Dreeling (née Nolan), Gowran	
& All Deceased Family Members of the Nolan Family	

Notices:

Jumper Found: in Church carpark, Presentation De La Salle jumper size small. Can be collected in the Parish Centre.

Leighlinbridge Improvement Group: Just to make you aware that dog fouling is a major concern in our community, not just because of the mess it causes, but because it can be a public health risk. Dogs may deposit roundworm eggs (toxocara canis) in their faeces, which become infectious after about 3 weeks, and can remain so for up to 2 years. Anyone, but particularly children playing near the ground, can run the risk of picking up and swallowing the eggs. Dog faeces may also contain microorganisms that are both pathogenic to everyone and resistant to several classes of antibiotics. We want to encourage all dog owners to be responsible and clean up after their dogs and dispose of it in a proper way. Also there is a €150 fine on the spot fine enforced by your local County Council.

Step by Step Creche ,Paulstown: We are seeking a caring, dedicated and enthusiastic early years practitioner to join our team in Step by Step Creche ,Paulstown, Co. Kilkenny. Candidates must have a minimum Level 7. CV and cover letter to stepbystepcrechekk@gmail.com by 6pm Friday 24th July 2026.

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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15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Mass Times:

Leighlinbridge

Mon–Thurs 9.30am
Confession Sat
6.30-7.15pm
Saturday 7.30pm
Sunday 11.00am

Eucharistic Adoration

Wed 2 - 5pm
Fri 4-8pm

Ballinabranna

**No Friday Mass in
Ballinabranna on**

Fri 17th

Sunday 9.30am

Eucharistic Adoration

Wed 2 - 3pm

Unanswered Questions.

It would be great if we had all the answers.
Every one of us has so many unanswered questions.
Life can be so unpredictable, unfair & cruel at times.

What did I do to deserve this? Why me?

Why not somebody else? Why now?

It is easy to blame somebody else
or to blame God maybe.

This is understandable, it is unhealthy when
We hold on to blame and never move on with our lives.

In the Gospels Jesus never claimed
to have all the Answers.

Even up on the cross, his last few words were
“My God why have you forsaken me”.

The invitation is to live the questions.

We pray for the strength to live with our questions
& the strength to walk forward with our lives even
if it is only small steps.



St Fintan's Church

	<u>Readers</u>	<u>Ministers</u>
Sun 19th July 9.30am	Padraig Farrell	Benny Amond
Church Cleaning	Kathleen McNally, Mai Sheehan	
Church Flowers July	Angela Carter	Papers Catherine Ayres

St Lazerian's Church

	<u>Readers</u>	<u>Ministers</u>
Sat 18th July 7.30pm	Lisa Roche	Anthony Walsh, Bridin Lawlor
Sun 19th July 11.00am	Mandy Ryan	Mary Clarke, Marie Roche
Church Cleaning	Margaret Foley, Kathleen Cummins, Margaret Purcell, Catherine Brennan	
Church Flowers July	Betty Dowling, Mary Clarke	
Reader for Week	Wed Angela Roche	Mon, Tue, Thur Margaret Lawlor

Graveyard Masses for 2026

Tomard	Friday 17th July	7.30pm
Killenane	Friday 24th July	7.30pm
Leighlinbridge	Sunday 2nd August	7.00pm
Old Leighlin	Friday 28th August	7.30pm
Clody	Sunday 6th September	9.30am in Ballinabranna Church

Parish Office Summer Opening Hours: From Mon 29th June to Fri 28th August the Parish Centre Office will be open Mon to Fri from 9.30am to 2pm.

July Collections: will be at all Masses on Saturday 25th & Sunday 26th July

Lotto Results:

Old Leighlin:

8, 13, 16, 20
No Winner
Jackpot € 2,950

Ballinabranna:

1, 3, 5, 21
No Winner
Jackpot € 1,900

Leighlinbridge:

4, 19, 23, 26
No Winner
Jackpot € 2,300

5th July 2026

Offertory

L/B € 565
B/B € 455

Weekly

L/B € 605
B/B € 225

NOTICES

Catholic Grandparents Association – National Pilgrimage to Knock: Takes place on the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly on Sunday 26th July. Commencing at 2.30pm with the Anointing of the Sick, chief celebrant is Archbishop Eamon Martin. Celebrate the 25th National Grandparents Pilgrimage and the Golden Jubilee of the Knock Basilica with a memorable, faith filled day of prayer, thanksgiving and blessing for grandparents, the elderly and all families.

St Bridget's Lough Derg Pilgrimage 2026 Three-day pilgrimages: Thursday 13th August - Saturday 15th August; Bus departs: Monasterevin, Kildare, Newbridge, Naas, Sallins, Clane, Kilcock, Maynooth, Mulhuddart. To book your place telephone: Joe 0873815887/ Deirdre 087 2467594 email: deirdregleeson@medwise.ie
One day of prayer in honour of St Carlo Acutis: Sunday 6th September; Bus departs: Monasterevin, Kildare, Newbridge, Naas, Sallins, Clane, Kilcock, Maynooth, M3 Parkway. To book your place Telephone / Text Deirdre 0872467594/ Email: deirdregleeson@medwise.ie

Man and Woman, He Created Them: The Priory Institute one week on-line Summer School is reflective, informative and interactive and will run from 10 August. The course includes four recorded presentations and one online zoom discussion and is very flexible as it is delivered entirely online. Find out more and register <https://prioryinstitute.com/events/2026-online-summer-school-man-and-woman-he-created-them>

Youth 2000 Summer Festival | 13th–16th August: Calling all young people aged 16–35! Join us at the Youth 2000 Summer Festival in Newbridge College, Co. Kildare. This is a donation-only event, with free buses available across the country and all meals included. Expect inspiring talks and workshops, Youth Mass, music, prayer, and plenty of opportunities to chill out and meet other young Catholics. Whether you are new to the faith or looking to be refreshed, all are welcome. To register or find out more, visit youth2000.ie or follow @Youth2000Ireland.

Funding opportunity for Tidy Towns and Community Groups across Carlow:

Carlow County Council, in partnership with IPB Insurance, has announced the launch of the Local Environmental Action Fund (LEAF), a new initiative aimed at supporting community led climate action and environmental improvement projects across the county. The fund will provide grants ranging from €2,000 to €10,000 to support projects that focus on biodiversity, climate action, and environmental enhancement. The initiative is designed to empower local communities to take practical steps in addressing environmental challenges and improving their local areas. Applications are open to Tidy Towns groups and voluntary community organisations registered with the Carlow Public Participation Network (PPN). Groups are also encouraged to collaborate with local schools, clubs, and other organisations to strengthen their proposals and broaden community impact. Applications open on **Tuesday 14th July** and close at on **Monday 3rd August**. Further details available on www.carlow.ie or carlow.ie/environment/climate-action/climate-action-initiatives