

Recent Deaths:

Paddy Fitzgerald, Booldurragh, Fenagh, Co. Carlow.

Bridget Fitzpatrick, Killeshin, Carlow.

Rita Maria Earl (née Bedirian), Rathellen, Leighlinbridge, Co. Carlow.

Anniversaries:

Eamon Coughlan, Bawnree, Old Leighlin

George Gahan, Townasock, Old Leighlin

David, Annie & Molly Gahan, Townasock, Old Leighlin

Jim Hickey, Monemore

Margaret O'Neill, Carlow Rd., Leighlinbridge

James Coffey, Craanluskey

Eddie Kehoe, Pollerton

Mary & Gerard Nolan, Augharue

Michael (Mikey) Dermody, Oldtown, Nurney

Josie Breen (née McEvoy), Ballinaboley & Bunclody

Mary Whyte, Fonthill, Milford

Joe Earl, Rathellen & All deceased members of the Earl Family

The Honohan Family, Rathellen

Ger Monaghan, High Street

Hannah & Billy McGrath, Rathellen



Notices:

Lost Gold Bracelet: In Church / Church Carpark on Friday 10th July at Wedding.

If found please contact Brid Brennan on 087 2715108.

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/

Webcam: To view Webcam, log on to www.leighlinparish.ie This will open the website home page. Scroll down to see Leighlinbridge and Ballinabranna webcams on right hand side. Click on picture of church and then the red arrow in centre of picture to view.

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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**Leighlinbridge
Graveyard Mass on
Sunday 2nd August
at 7pm.**

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

Confession Friday

6.30-7.15pm

Friday 7.30pm

Sunday 9.30am

Eucharistic Adoration

Wed 2 - 3pm

Fri 6.30-7.30pm

LEIGHLIN PARISH NEWSLETTER

26TH JULY 2026

17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Prayer For Grandparents

Lord Jesus, you were born of the Virgin Mary,
the daughter of Saints Joachim and Anne.

Look with love on grandparents the world over.

Protect them! They are the source of enrichment
for families, for the Church and for all of society.

Support them! As they grow older, may they continue to be
for their families strong pillars of Gospel faith,

guardians of noble domestic ideals,

living treasures of sound religious traditions.

Make them teachers of wisdom and courage,
that they may pass on to future generations the fruits
of their mature human and spiritual experience.

Lord Jesus, help families and society to value the presence
and roles of grandparents.

May they never be ignored or excluded,

But always encounter respect and love.

Help them to live serenely and to feel welcomed in all the
years of life which you give them.

Mary, Mother of all the living,

Keep grandparents constantly in your care,
accompany them on their earthly pilgrimage,
and by your prayers,

grant that all families may one day be reunited in our heavenly
homeland,

where you await all humanity for the great embrace of life
without end.

Amen.

St Fintan's Church

	<u>Readers</u>	<u>Ministers</u>
Sun 2nd August 9.30am	Loretta Stedman	Betty Hughes
Church Cleaning	Angela Carter, Alice Fitzgerald	
Church Flowers August	Mary Daly	Papers Kathleen O'Boyle

St Lazerian's Church

	<u>Readers</u>	<u>Ministers</u>
Sat 1st August 7.30pm	Jennifer Harkin	Mary Meaney(M), DJ Hanley
Sun 2nd August 11.00am	Angela Roche	Paddy O'Brien, Anita Dunican
Church Cleaning	Marie Roche, Betty Dowling, Mary Monahan, Josie O'Brien	
Church Flowers August	Ann Kelly	
Reader for Week	Wed Angela Roche	Mon, Tue, Thur Margaret Lawlor

Graveyard Masses for 2026

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 this Saturday 25th & Sunday 26th July.

Communion Calls: will be Mon 3rd, Tues 4th, Wed 5th August in usual order.

Lotto Results:

Old Leighlin:

3, 7, 10, 25
No Winner
Jackpot € 3,250

Ballinabranna:

2, 12, 23, 28
No Winner
Jackpot € 2,000

Leighlinbridge:

9, 12, 16, 18
No Winner
Jackpot € 2,500

19th July 2026

Offertory

L/B € 465
B/B € 265

Weekly

L/B € 325
B/B € 182.50

NOTICES

St. Lazerian's Church: We are glad to inform you that we are installing new lights in St. Lazerian's Church, Leighlinbridge. The Church will be closed from Mon 10th August until and including Thurs 13th August. Mass will be celebrated in the Green Room in the Parish Centre at 9.30am each morning for these days. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.

Ballinabranna/Milford/Raheendoran Development:(Tidy Towns) group have been successful in getting a grant. Discounts for planting pollinator friendly shrubs and trees in your garden. The first 15 households to apply, will receive €25 towards purchased shrubs & tree. Planting pollinator friendly shrubs and trees is an important way to support pollinators and other biodiversity. Please see our Facebook page for details:
www.facebook.com/ballinabranna.milford.raheendoran/

Rambling House Ballinabranna: will take place on Wed 29th July at 8pm. Everyone welcome and your support is very much appreciated. Admission €5.

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

Leighlinbridge Improvement Group: It's officially summertime! Gardens in the village are blooming with beautiful flowers and the baskets and containers outside many of the homes and businesses are spectacular. Well done to you all for the pride you take in your village. Thanks to CE workers, volunteers, litter pickers and GAA club members for all your hard work on projects this month. Whether you can offer a regular commitment or just a little time when you can, volunteering with us here in your local community, is a powerful way to connect, support others, and feel good. Meet up for weekly clean-up every Tuesday evening @6.30 pm.

The Annual National Grandparents Pilgrimage: celebrating the 6th World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly. All are welcome. Sunday, 26th July 2026, Knock Shrine - Chief Celebrant Archbishop Eamon Martin. Commencing at 2:30pm with the anointing of the sick a day of grace and blessing for the whole family as we honour grandparents and the elderly. Please join us. Visit our website for resources: www.catholicgrandparentsassociation.org