

Month's Mind:

Jim Lawler, Lacken, Old Leighlin. Mass on Sunday 20th Sept at 11am in Leighlinbridge
Agnes Byrne, 28 Seskin Road. Mass on Saturday 26th Sept at 7.30pm in Leighlinbridge

First Anniversaries:

Mary Lynch (Née O'Brien), London formally Raheendoran

Anniversaries:

James Nolan, Closutton
The Nolan family, Closutton
John Rea, Old Leighlin
Patsy Clancy, St. Lazarian Street
Bridie Comerford, Seskinrea, Old Leighlin
David Bambrick, Monemore
Rita Dermody, 15 Raheendoran, Carlow
Michael Dermody, 15 Raheendoran, Carlow
Martin Foxe, Ballygowan, Milford
Billy McDonnell, Ballyknockan
Thomas McDonnell, Leighlinbridge & Dublin
Bridget & Jim Doyle, Raheendoran & All Deceased Family Relatives



Notices:

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

Vale Wanders Football Club Fundraiser: For just €20, pick one of only 45 numbers in our Vale Bonus Ball Draw with the winner getting to choose €500 worth of Home Energy delivered to your door. You can choose your prize: Coal, Wood pellets, Logs, Kerosene oil or €500 electricity payment to your account. To enter, pay by Revolut: 086-0767739 or contact any Vale committee member. Please make sure to include your chosen number in the payment notes. All proceeds go towards our new changing room and community hub facilities, helping create better facilities for our players and our wider community. Don't freeze on this draw, get your number & get Winter sorted. The winning number will be based on the bonus ball of the Main Irish Lotto Draw.

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-Thurs 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

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20TH SEPTEMBER 2026
25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Immersion in Living Water

Our Biblical text,
portrays God's life-giving water
flowing from the temple of God.
The river grows deeper and deeper
restoring barren land, reviving waters,
and sustaining flourishing ecosystems.
The vision invites human responsibility:
recognising ecological damage,
embracing interconnectedness,
we are called to immerse ourselves in the water,
and actively safeguarding
and working for the
renewal of creation so that environmental healing
and human well-being may flourish together.

Ezekiel 47: 1-12



St Fintan's Church

Readers

Ministers

**Sun 27th Sept
9.30am**

Tom O'Keeffe

Anthony Walsh

Church Cleaning

Bridie Keating, Mary Quinn,
Josephine Fitzgerald

**Church Flowers
September**

Mary Daly

Papers
Declan McDonald

St Lazerian's Church

Readers

Ministers

**Sat 26th Sept
7.30pm**

Lisa Roche

Anthony Walsh,
Bridin Lawlor

**Sun 27th Sept
11.00am**

Stacey D'Souza

Mary Clarke,
Marie Roche

Church Cleaning

Lillia, Bernie Price,
Rose Arnold

**Church Flowers
September**

Mary Redmond



Reader for Week

Wed
Angela Roche

Mon, Tue, Thur
Margaret Lawlor

Lotto Results:

Old Leighlin:

6, 8, 16, 22

No Winner

Jackpot €10,000

Ballinabranna:

5, 7, 9, 21

No Winner

Jackpot € 2,450

Leighlinbridge:

9, 14, 24, 25

No Winner

Jackpot € 3,200



13th Sept 2026

Offertory

L/B € 660

B/B € 230

Weekly

L/B € 175

B/B € 205

NOTICES

800th Jubilee of St Francis – Parish Celebrations: Graiguecullen/Killeshin Parish warmly invites everyone to join us as we celebrate the **800th Jubilee of St Francis (1226–2026)** with four days of prayer, music and celebration. **Thursday 1st October** – St Clare's Church, 7.30pm Mass with Benediction, with music by the Men's Choir. Celebrant: Fr Bryan Shortall OFM Cap., National Director of Padre Pio Ministry. **Friday 2nd October** – St Clare's Church, 7.30pm Mass with Benediction, with music by our Youth & Children's Choirs. Celebrant: Fr Bernardino Soukup CFM, The Franciscan Friars of the Renewal. **Saturday 3rd October** – St Clare's Church, 6.30pm Mass celebrated by Fr. John Dunphy. We will be joined by the Secular Franciscan Order, Carlow, with music by the Ladies Choir. The celebrations conclude on the **Feast of St Francis, Sunday 4th October**, with Mass in St Clare's Church at 11.30am, celebrated by Fr John Dunphy, with music from our Combined Parish Choirs. We extend a special invitation to all who bear the name Francis to come along and receive a special blessing during this Mass. At 3pm on Sunday **Blessing of Pets** will take place outside the Parish Centre. All are very welcome to join us as we mark this special Franciscan Jubilee together.

Synod News: The National Synodal Assembly takes place on 17 October in The City North Hotel in County Meath. Over a dozen people from our diocese will be present, along with Bishop Denis, as either diocesan delegates, as a member of a working group of the synod, or as a member of the National Synodal Team. Over the next number of weeks K&L attendees will have the opportunity to meet twice to help prepare for the assembly. In their preparations they will be prayerfully considering if the proposals being presented at the assembly are orientating the Irish Church towards where God wants us to be. Please keep them and the work of the synodal pathway in Ireland in your prayers.

Diocesan Pastoral Council: The Diocesan Pastoral Council met for two hours last Wednesday night for a third training and formation session as they begin their new term of work together with Bishop Denis. Please remember them and all the Parish Pastoral Councils across the diocese in your prayers.

Big Congratulations to the Community Games Choir who won the All Ireland Final last weekend.

Little Orchard: Limited ECCE Preschool Spaces Available For this Year at Little Orchard Leighlinbridge Community Childcare. Please contact the Creche on 059 9722933 for more information.

Carlow Flower Club: resumes on Tuesday 29th September at 8.00pm in the Woodford Dolmen Hotel, Kilkenny Road, Carlow. New members always welcome. The club meets on the last Tuesday of every month. Annual membership €40.00. (Visitors €10 per night). The September Demonstrator will be Sharon O'Sullivan AOIFA Teacher, Demonstrator and Judge from Sutton Floral Art Group. Looking forward to welcoming back all our members and friends. Competition for all classes, "An Arrangement using Three Garden Flowers".

Harvest Festival Service in St. Lazarian's Cathedral Old Leighlin: will be on Sunday 27th Sept at 7pm. All Welcome.

The Parish Office will Close on Wednesday's at 2pm until further notice.

Sorry for any inconvenience.