

## BIRR PARISH

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*Parish Office Opening Hours*

*Monday - Friday 9.30 a.m. - 12.30 p.m.*

### Psalter week 4

### Parish Finances

We acknowledge and thank parishioners for their generosity and support of the Parish. The amount donated week ending 13/14th June was **€2365.00**

**New Rota for Eucharistic ministers now available for collection behind the altar. Thank you.**

**The Legion of Mary-** If you would like to Join the Birr Legion of Mary please **contact Pat on 087 250 0820. Our meetings are held every Friday evening at 7 30pm in the basement of Fr. Tom's. house, John's Mall, Birr.** "Through you , O Mary, we have a most sure pledge of our resurrection" St. Ephraim.

**Holy Communion to housebound family members: If bringing Holy Communion to a family member, please leave your Pix to the sacristan or on the altar before Mass.**

**Lay-led Eucharistic Adoration** will take place in the Church of the Annunciation, Carrig on Thursday 25th June from 7.30pm to 8.30pm. All Welcome

**"The Holy Face of Jesus," A talk in St Cronan's R.C. Church, Abbey St., Roscrea, Tipperary Monday June 22nd @ 7.30pm led by Caoimhe Doyle from HLI Knock Co Mayo. Holy Face Relic & Blessed oil available. Livestreaming <https://www.churchcamlive.ie/roscrea-parish-2/> Learn about miracles, Saints and Popes who promote this devotion and the fantastic promises including protection on the towns. All welcome**

**Lough Derg Pilgrimage - 3 day pilgrimage June 29th, 30th & 1st July.** Bus leaving from Lidl Carpark if interested please contact the parish office 05791-22028

**Carrig, Riverstown, Killeen Active Retirement Association** - Boat Trip on the Shannon from Banagher to Meelick on Friday 26th June at 2.00pm. Meal after trip in Flynn's Banagher. Cost €34 for both. If interested contact Mary on 087 1264925

**Scripts Ireland's Playwriting Festival 02-05 July.** Packed with great plays, workshops-for adults and kids, talks and pop ups Programmes out NOW! [www.scriptsireland.com](http://www.scriptsireland.com)

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## Remembered in Mass this Week

Sat 20th	10am	Private Intentions
Sat 20th	7.30pm	Sambo Eamon Kelly, Scurragh Dom Egan, Glebe Street Bella Connan & Family, Lacka
Sun 21st	8.30am	Private Intentions
Sun 21st	9.30am	Private Intentions Carrig
Sun 21st	10.30am	Mary Acton (née Wall) Bray, Co. Wicklow & formerly Clonoghill, Birr James & Elizabeth Martin, Cappaneale Park Sharon Guinan, Clonbrone Vincent Tuohey, Frank Tuohey Tom McInerney, John Doyle, Paddy Tuohey, Hugh Doyle Mickey McDonagh, Tess Dolan, Ferbane
Sun 21st	12noon	<b>Joan Kennedy, Tullamore Road, Birr (MM)</b>
Mon 22nd	10.00am	Private Intentions
Tues 23rd	10.00am	Private Intentions
Wed 24th	10.00am	Private Intentions
Thur 25th	10.00am	Private Intentions
Fri 26th	10.00am	Private Intentions
Sat 27th	10.00am	<b>Tommy Quigley, Riverstown (MM)</b> Daphne Bermigham, Westgate
Sat 27th	7.30pm	Anne & Patrick Corboy, Birr View, Crinkill Paul & Molly Kennedy, Moorpark Street Christina & Johnny Pidgeon, Ballydaly, Tullamore
Sun 28th	8.30am	Private Intentions
Sun 28th	9.30am	Private Intentions Carrig
Sun 28th	10.30am	Joe Scully, Fortal Stephen Tierney, Burkes Hill Albert and Mary Kate Watkins Oisín Watkins Carroll Patrick Nevin Richard and Kathleen Grant
Sun 28th	12noon	Frank McGilton, Cappaneale Tom Talbot, Pound Street John & Dora Powell, Burkes Hill

### Please pray for the souls of

**Elga Miscuka, (née Steinberga),** Castle Street, Birr  
**Mary (Mollie) Acton (née Wall),** Bray, Co. Wicklow & formerly Clonoghill, Birr sister of Josephine Larkin, Burkes Hill  
**Michael O'Keeffe,** Woodford, Galway, brother of John O'Keeffe, Seffin



# Happy Father's Day



## Father's Day Prayer

Lord, thank you for all fathers.

For the new ones,  
who endure sleepless nights with infants in arms.

For the busy ones,  
who juggle the pressures of home and family life.

For the steadfast ones,  
who nurture and care  
for our special vulnerable children.

For the patient ones, who always seek to forgive  
and engage with their pre-teens.

For the persistent ones,  
who cleverly find new ways  
to connect with their mini-adults.

For the father uncles,  
who step in to cradle and care  
for nieces and nephews.

For all granddads,  
who love and support their precious  
grandchildren.

For the foster dads that are called to gather and  
cover the fragile ones.

For the Sunday dads  
who care for our children and lead them in faith.

For the dads who give far beyond their own  
resources, who overcome disability to cherish and  
love.

Thank you Lord for all our beautiful fathers. Help  
us to support them and keep them in our prayers.  
May you bless them now on this their special day.  
Amen.

## Cemetery Masses



Will take place in Clonoghill on  
Friday June 26th and in Carrig on Friday  
July 3rd. Masses on both evenings will  
begin at 7.30pm.

## Sr. Eileen - Cúinne Saint John the Baptist (Feast Day, June 24)

The Feast of the Birth of John the Baptist will be celebrated Wednesday 24 June. He is mentioned in the Scriptures as the precursor of Christ. He had the duty of preparing the way of the Lord. Everybody knew that his birth was a miracle and many thought he was the Son of God. He went into the wilderness and soon the crowds surrounded him. He addressed them and encouraged them to change their ways, to repent and to be ready to accept Christ when he came on earth. When Jesus came, he asked to be baptised by John the Baptist. John was unwilling to do so but eventually did. Humility was his greatest characteristic. He referred to Christ and said "I, and I am not worthy to untie the strap of His sandals. (Luke 3:16) and again he said "He must increase, I must decrease" (John 3 :30). We ought to be humble in our daily lives like Saint John the Baptist and repent as is right. This prayer can be recited:

**God's blessings on you, St. John the Baptist, The Virgin Mary's blessings on you and my blessing on you To you I came with my complaints Seeking friendship on account of God's love. Amen**

### Golden Jubilee - Fr Tom Hannon

We congratulate Fr. Tom on the golden jubilee of his ordination on June 17th 1976. We thank him for his ministry to the Brendan Pastoral Area over the last 8 years and wish him continued good health

"Ad Multos Annos"