		Rememb	ered in Mass this Week			tor Collection onvolumes will be tob	
BIRR PARISH Parish Office: 057 9122028 Parish Mobile: 086 3531955 Website: www.stbrendansbirr.ie Email: info@stbrendansbirr.ie Priest on Duty - Please call Parish Mobile - 086 3531955	Sat 6th	7.30 p.m.	Mossie 'Margaret' Kelly McMahon (MM) Jim & Lily Reid Michael Hough Margaret, Michael & John Molloy Michael Murphy, Demesne View Christopher Loughnane		en up at all mass	****	
Fr. Tom Hogan—057-9121757 Fr. Michael Reddan—057-9120098 Fr. Pat Gilbert—057-9120098 Fr. Antony Sajeesh - 057-9120098	Sun 7th	10.30 a.m.	Patrick & Teresa Queeney Jack & Bina Walsh & grandson Eoin Eastwood Michael & Ellie O'Connor		Lenten Reconci	liation Service in preparation for Id on Monday 15 April at 7.30pm.	
Fr. Kieran Blake, Kilcolman - 057-9120812 Fr. Michael O'Meara, Kinnitty - 057-9137021	Sun 7un		Mary Sheils Celia Harte			the Cross will be done	
Brendan Pastoral Area - Sunday Mass Times <i>St. Brendan's, Birr</i> - Saturday 7.30 p.m., Sunday 8.30 a.m., 10.30 a.m. and 12 noon <i>Church of the Annunciation, Carrig</i> -		12 noon	Joe Kennedy Seamus Hogan Michael Molloy Sheila O'Connor Guinan & Mitchell families		a.m. Mass. Chrism Mass: T take place on Sp	his Diocesan Mass will y Wednesday 17th April evening at	
Sunday 9.30 a.m. <i>St. Colman's, Kilcolman</i> - Sunday 11.00 a.m.	Carrig	9.30 a.m.	Bill O'Meara, Fadden Tim & Phoebe Turner & family		parishes are invit	athedral of SS. Peter & Paul Ennis. All ted to celebrate this Mass with Bishop the Holy Oils used in sacraments will	
St. Ita's, Coolderry - Saturday 8.00 p.m. St. John's, Ballybritt - Sunday 9.30 a.m.	Tues 9th Thur 11th	10.00 a.m. 10.00 a.m.	Deceased Eucharistic Adorers People of the Parish			priests and bishops will renew their	
St. Mary's, Shinrone - Sunday 11.00 a.m. St. Patrick's, The Pike - Saturday 6.45 p.m. St. Finian Cam, Longford - Sunday 9.30 a.m. St. Flannan's, Kinnitty - Sunday 11.30 a.m.	Sat 13th	7.30 p.m.	Michael Caffrey (MM) Anne Taylor (1st Ann) Noel Cooke, The Terrace, Crinkill		Easter Ceremonies		
St. Molua's, Roscomroe - Sunday 10.30 a.m. St. Lugna's, Cadamstown - Saturday 8.00 p.m.			(1st Ann) Jack O'Keeffe		Holy Thursday Carrig Birr	Morning Prayer 10.00 a.m. Our Lord's Supper 7.30 p.m. Our Lord's Supper 8.00 p.m.	
St. Pio Mass next Thursday 11th April at 7.30 p.m. All are very welcome.	Sun 14th	12 noon	Yvonne Howley (MM) Bridie Smyth			Exposition 10.00 p.m. Night Prayer 10.00 p.m.	
Easter Coffee Morning and Bake Sale in aid of Carrig National School will be held on 12 th April from 10.30 – 1.30 in Carrig Hall. All support will be greatly appreciated.	Carrig	9.30 a.m.	Mary Peters (1st Ann) Mamie Gleeson		Good Friday Birr Birr	Morning Prayer 10.00 a.m. Stations of the Cross 12 noon Passion of Our Lord 3.00 p.m.	
Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 25 th -30 th June: The		Please Pray for the Soul of			Carrig	Passion of Our Lord 7.30 p.m.	
pilgrimage would welcome the assistance of Nurses who would like to volunteer assisted pilgrims on this year's Diocesan pilgrimage for five days in June. If any nurse is interested please contact Michael on 086-3813677	(I)	Ma	artin Loughnane, Crinkill.		Holy Saturday Birr	Morning Prayer & Blessing of Food 10.00 a.m. Reconciliation 10.30 – 12 noon	
The Stoma Support Group meeting will take place on Tuesday 9 th April 6.30-8.30pm in the Dóchas Offaly Can- cer Support Group Centre. Please contact Anne on 086	rently in	A Lenten Novena to St. Thérése of Lisieux is cur- rently in progress in St. Cronan's Church, Roscrea. On the final three days of the Novena, there is an even-			Birr	2pm – 4pm Easter Vigil 9.00 p.m.	
3074846. All are welcome. Birr Library - Easter Story-time (a Spring into Story-	ing session also, as follows: Tuesday 9th April 7pm Theme: Faith Mass & Guest Speaker, Fr Tom Hogan, PP Birr				Easter Sunday	Dawn Mass 6.00 a.m. in Garden of Tranquility Normal Sunday Mass Times	
<i>time event):</i> Wednesday, April 17th: 11.30am. Special free story-time event with a Springtime and Easter theme. For under 8s. All children must be accompanied by an adult.	Wednesday 10th April 7pm Theme: Hope Mass & Guest Speaker, Bishop Fintan Monahan				Divine Mercy Su	Inday - April 28th. Chaplet at 2.45	
Call for Volunteers : Are you a tradesperson aged be- tween 20 and 68 years. If so, The Ray of Sunshine Foun-	Thursday 11th April 7pm Theme: Love & Mercy Reconciliation Service with Guest Speaker Fr Martin Delaney, PP Rathdowney All are welcome.					Mass at 3.00 p.m. All welcome.	
dation is seeking your help. A group of volunteers will travel to Kenya in January, 2020 to build classrooms in Mombasa. Duration of stay 11 days. Cost €3000 which					Easter Mass Bouquets now available from the Parish Office. Cost €5.		
covers flights, accommodation, insurance and all the ma- terials for the build. Visit rayofsunshine ie or contact Olive on 087/6994599 for more information.	<i>Trocaire: 'Love no flood can quench, no torrents drown' Song of Songs 8:7:</i> 2.5 million people may have been affected by the devastating cyclone and				Garda Vetting - Thank you to all who have returned your forms. Please keep a look out for the email invit-		
Sponsored By Campbell'S Hackney Service Contact Michael on 087-2618507 or 057-9120407 Woodland Park, Birr	floods that sponding Lenten ca Mozambi others fa	at have hit s on the grou ampaign wil que, Malaw	outhern Africa. Trócaire is re- und with life-saving support and the I help not only the people in i and Zimbabwe but thousands of ip across the developing		ing you to make will look somethin	your online application. The email title ng like this Vetting Request DOK002 2. This needs to be completed with 30	

Sr. Eileen's Cúinne

Ár bPaidreacha Dúchais

Rinne an tAthair Diarmuid Ó Laoghaire SJ cnuasach de chúpla míle paidir a bhí ag dul ó bhéal go béal ag ár sinsir ina leabhar Ár bPaidreacha Dúchais. Foilsíodh é sa bhliain 1975.Tá na paidreacha bainteach le gach gné de shaol an duine ó éirí ar maidin go dul a chodladh istoíche, ina measc, an t-altú roimh agus tar éis bia, ag dul chuig an Aifreann, ag lasadh agus ag múchadh an tsolais, ag cur an linbh a chodladh, ag lasadh na tine, ag déanamh aráin, paidreacha ar son athar agus máthar an paidrín páirteach agus a lán eile nach iad.

Tá an-saibhreas urnaí ag baint leis na paidreacha seo a chothaíonn gaol an duine le Dia. Léiríonn siad go héifeachtach chomh tugtha do Dhia a bhí ár sinsir. Seo samplaí ó Ár bPaidreacha Dúchais.

An tAthair Síoraí

Do cheap na spéartha agus neamh ar dtús, Is do cheap ina dhiaidh sin an mhuir mhór bhraonach Is na carnáin éisc inti ag snámh go dlúth. Moladh agus buíochas leat, a Athair Naofa.

Beannacht ar thí nua.

Dia, beannaigh an teach seo,

- Ó shuíomh go stagh,
- Ó chrann go balla,
- Ó cheann go ceann,
- Ó bhuaic go híoslach,
- Ó bhalc go díon,
- Ó bhonn go barr. Áiméan.

Nuair a bhíonn briseadh ar d'fhoighne.

Solas na soilse. Agus radharc na Tríonóide, Agus grásta na foighne, In aghaidh na héagóra. Áiméan.

The Eternal Father

Maker of the skies and heavens, Maker of the surging seas, Of fish in crowded companies, Praise and thanks for all you have given.

Blessing of New House.

God bless this house, From site to stay, From beam to wall. From end to end From ridge to basement, From baulk to roof, From foundation to rooftop Amen.

For Patience.

Enlightenment of God, Eves of the Trinity, Grace of patience, Against injustice. Amen.

Father Diarmuid Ó Laoghaire SJ made a collection of more than two thousand prayers which were passed down orally by our ancestors in his book Ár bPaidreacha Dúchais. It was published in 1975. The prayers are associated with every aspect of human life from rising in the morning to going to bed at night, among them, grace before and after meals, going to Mass, lighting and guenching the light, putting the child to sleep, lighting the fire, making bread, prayers for father and mother, the rosary and many others. These prayers are very rich and foster a relationship with God. They show effectively how our ancestors lived in the presence of God. Above are some examples.

Basket Fund Collection Last Sunday - €1,727 Many Thanks. Parish Fund Collectors - April 14th R. Verney & M. Mannion