# **BIRR PARISH**

Website: www.stbrendansbirr.ie Email: info@stbrendansbirr.ie Priest on Duty - Please call Parish Mobile - 086 3531955 Parish Office Opening Hours Monday - Saturday (excluding Wednesday) 9.30 a.m. - 12.30 p.m.

Fr. Tom Hogan—057-9121757 Fr. Michael Reddan—057-9122470 Fr. Pat Gilbert—057-9122470 Fr. Antony Sajeesh - 057-9122470 Fr. Kieran Blake, Kilcolman - 057-9120812 Fr. Michael O'Meara, Kinnitty - 057-9137021

## Brendan Pastoral Area - Sunday Mass Times

St. Brendan's, Birr - Saturday 7.30 p.m., Sunday 8.30 a.m., 10.30 a.m. and 12 noon Church of the Annunciation, Carrig -Sunday 9.30 a.m.

St. Colman's, Kilcolman - Sunday 11.00 a.m.

St. Ita's, Coolderry - Saturday 8.00 p.m.

St. John's, Ballybritt - Sunday 9.30 a.m.

St. Molua's, Roscomroe - Sunday 9.30 a.m.

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.

St. Lugna's, Cadamstown - Saturday 8.00 p.m.

**Legion of Mary Pilgrimage to Knock** on September 29th. Bus leaving from Emmet Square. Please contact 0579120482 or 086 1515324 for further details.

Friends of Birr Community Nursing Unit are hosting a Pop up Shopping event in The Unit on Sunday 6th October from 1pm. Items on sale will include New & Pre loved Clothes & Homewares, Arts & Crafts, Home baking, Flowers, Jams & Chutneys. Raffle on the day. Come early to bag a bargain. any queries contact Anne /Fiona 0579123227, or Cathy 0579123212.

Birr Active Retirement Group - next meeting in the Birr Resource centre on Thurs 26th Sept. at 2.30pm. All members are urged to attend, as this is our first meeting after the Summer break.

Mary Immaculate College (MIC), Limerick invites past students who graduated in 1949, 1954, 1959, 1964, 1969, 1974, 1979, 1984, 1989, 1994, 1999, 2004, 2009 and 2014 back to the College on Saturday 5 October for the annual Alumni Reunion at MIC (South Circular Road, Limerick) from 2.30pm to 5.00pm, If you wish to attend the event, please email Alumni@mic.ul.ie

Can you give NCBI 2 hours of your spare time on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> September, 2019 for our National Tesco Bag Pack day? If you can donate 2 hours of your time to raise funds for people who are blind or vision impaired in Ireland please get in touch at angela.levins@ncbi.ie / 01-8307033 for more information relating to your local participating Tesco store.

**Banagher Drama Group** presents -The Playboy of the Western World by John Millington Synge and directed by Jared Madden in St. Rynagh's College of Further Education on November 14th-17th @8pm.

#### Remembered in Mass this Week

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Sat 21st	7.30pm	Eamon Pardy (1st Ann) Jimmy Donoghue, Mc Auley Drive Maisie & Dan Finnerty, Crinkill Eamon Gunning McIntyre & Gannon Families
Sun 22nd	10.30am	Gerry Garahy
	12 noon	Pat O'Gorman & O'Gorman Family Eileen & Mick O'Regan & Shortt Family
		John Dunican Greta & Michael Reid & son John George Bolger
Mon 23rd	10.00 a.m.	Rodney Anderson
Tues 24th	10.00 a.m.	People of the Parish
Wed 25th	10.00 a.m.	Irene O'Leary
Fri 27th	10.00 a.m.	Paddy Wall
Sat 28th	10.00 a.m.	Fergal & Patrick Keighery
	7.30 p.m.	Bridget (Betty) Townsend Irene Corbett Sheila Jennings
Sun 29th	8.30 a.m.	Patrick Bergin, Hollypark
	10.30 a.m.	Pat O'Meara (1st Ann) Tom Hutchinson
	12 noon	John & Mary Neilan Sadie & Paddy Bergin, Moorpark Street
Carrig	9.30 a.m.	Noel Houlihan (MM), Faddenmore

## Please pray for the souls of



Michael Hansbury (Senior), Bulfin Park, Michael Donoghue, Roscrea, brother of Nora Sullivan, Carrig, Mervyn Hamilton, London & late of Moorpark Street.

#### **Tax Back Scheme**

Under the Charities Act, parishes can claim tax back for people who have contributed over €250 to the parish in a year. If you are interested in allowing the parish to avail of this scheme, at no cost to yourself, we ask you to collect the revenue form from the Parish Office and return same signed. Sincere thanks to those who have already returned their forms.

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Birr Town F.C.

The Killaloe Diocese is running a **Youth Ministry Leader Training Course** – Autumn 2019 in the Carrigoran Wellness Centre, Newmarket on Fergus, Co. Clare on Wednesdays from 7:15pm -9:15pm.

- Wed 18<sup>th</sup>Sep 2019 Introduction to Youth Ministry (<u>Compulsory Night</u>)
- 2. Wed 25<sup>th</sup>Sep 2109 Pilgrimage, Residentials & Confirmation Retreats
- 3. Wed 2<sup>nd</sup>Oct 2019 Prayer, Special liturgies, Youth Masses & Pastoral Care
- Wed 9<sup>th</sup>Oct 2019 Children's Liturgy and Training Altar servers.
- Wed 16<sup>th</sup>Oct 2019 Safeguarding (Compulsory Night)
- 6. Wed 23<sup>rd</sup>Oct 2019 First Aid

Saturday 19<sup>th</sup>October – Introduction to the Enneagram, Planning, Liturgy, Blessing and Commissioning. (**Compulsory attendance on the Saturday**) 9:30a.m – 3p.m

Participants will be asked to attend at least 3 of the 6 nights and the Saturday. Attendance at Week 1, Week 5 and on <u>Saturday 19<sup>th</sup>October is</u> compulsory. For more information please contact Fr Donagh O' Meara 087 232 2140, Joanne O' Brien 085 874 9207 or Cora Guinnane 087 240 0135.

## Walking Together

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From the 1st September until the Feast of St. Francis on October 4th all Christian churches are encouraged to celebrate the Season of Creation, an annual celebration of prayer and action inviting us to think more deeply about what is happening at present to the Earth and the destruc-

tion of the environment which threatens our world. The theme this year is "Walking Together". As pilgrims let us walk together awakened to the wonder of the Earth, Our Common Home, and the web of life which it shelters. Let us encourage one another during the Season of Creation by praying with and for creation; encouraging small actions in our homes and parishes to try to live more sustainable lives.

Autumn Pilgrimage to Lourdes - The Diocesan Autumn Pilgrimage to Lourdes will depart Shannon Airport on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> September returning Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October. €699 flight and full board for the five days, with €20 discount for online bookings at joewalshtours.ie Booking forms also available from Pilgrimage Director Fr Tom Ryan 087-2349816.

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Basket Fund Collection Last Sunday - €1,734
Many Thanks
Parish Fund Collectors - September 29th
R. Verney & M. Mannion



# Sacraments 2020



Registration & Enrolment for Reconciliation & Holy Communion 2020 will take place in the Marian Hall on Thursday 26th September at 7.30 p.m. Parents/Guardians are invited to attend this important information evening meeting.

Registration & Enrolment meeting for Parents/ Guardians of children preparing for Confirmation 2020 will take place in the Marian Hall on Thursday 10th October at 7.30 p.m. This is an important information evening.

At least one parent should attend the meeting. If unable to attend please contact Joan Hogan (Sacramental Co-ordinator) on 089-4400853.

## Sr. Eileen's Cúinne

### Lá Fhéile Muire na Trócaire

Ceiliúrtar Lá Fhéile Muire na Trócaire ar an Mháirt 24 Meán Fómhair. Lá mór comóraidh is ea é do Shiúracha na Trócaire in Éirinn agus ar fud an domhain. Guímis ar a son agus iad ag saothrú agus ag moladh Dé lá i ndiaidh lae. Guímis freisin ar son a gcomhpháirtithe agus aon duine a bhí bainteach riamh le Siúracha na Trócaire. *Go raibh siad dílis dá ngairm. Áiméan* 

A Mhaighdean ghlórmhar, a Mháthair Dé, A bhean ab uaisle de gach cine Is atá diongbháilte i ngach moladh, Déan idirghuí ar ár son I bhfianaise do Mhic ghrámhar féin, Le súil go bhfaighimis an ghlóir shíoraí i d'aice. Áiméan.

The feast of Our Lady of Mercy is celebrated on Tuesday the 24 September. It is a great day of celebrations for Sisters of Mercy in Ireland and all over the world. We pray for them and for all those associated with them that they may be faithful to their calling.

Glorious Virgin, Mother of God, Noble woman of every race Is convincing in every suggestion, Please intercede on our behalf Given your own loving Son, With the hope to obtain eternal glory in to close. Amen.