

## BIRR PARISH

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**Parish Office Opening Hours**

Monday - Saturday (excluding Wednesday)  
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### 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.

**St. Pio Mass** next Thursday night 17th October at 7.30 p.m. All are welcome.

**Birr Comhaltas** present a concert of Irish music and song and dance by the Echoes of Erin Tour Group in Birr Theatre and Arts Centre on Sunday 13th October commencing at 8.00pm. Tickets available at the theatre.

### Birr Library Events:

Difference as a Strength: an autism awareness talk by Fiona Ferris (as seen on The Late Late Show):  
Wed, 16th Oct at 6.30pm. Booking essential.  
Children's Book Festival 2019 runs during October and Birr Library will be joining in! Contact library for details.

**Fundraising Concert** in Aid of North Tipperary Circuit and The Peter McVerry Trust on Friday 8th November at 8.00pm in St. Cronan's Church of Ireland, Roscrea.

**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.

**If you are over 21 and signed on** for more than 6 months you can take a course in Birr Further Education and Training Centre, Roscrea Road, Birr. NEW Course in Early Childhood Education and Care Support (Level 4), also recruiting for a Level 4 course in Retail Skills. For more information email [birrfet@loetb.ie](mailto:birrfet@loetb.ie) or call into the Centre or phone 057-91 21571 and ask for Mervyn Griffin.

**Basket Fund Collection Last Sunday - €1,938**

**Many Thanks**

**Parish Fund Collectors - October 20th**

B. Bolger & G. Cashen

### Remembered in Mass this Week

Sat 12th	7.30pm	Kathleen Carry (MM) Christy Mc Loughlin & wife Mary Tom & Christina Brereton Sally Kennedy Kennedy, Hogan & Dunning families Maura Kane, The Terrace, Crinkill
Sun 13th	8.30am	Paddy Frawley
	10.30am	Teresa Parkinson (MM) & husband Christy
	12 noon	Justin O'Gorman (1st Ann) Jack & Sadie Mc Kenna
Tues 15th	10.00 a.m.	Paddy Kearns, Fortal
Thur 17th	10.00 a.m.	Billy Tierney Margaret Behan & family
Sat 19th	7.30 p.m.	Michael Hansbury (Senior) (MM) Peggy O'Meara, Riverstown Daniel P. Milne Margaret, Michael & John Molloy Elsie Pardy Madeleine Ryan, The Terrace, Crinkill
Sun 20th	10.30 a.m.	Ray Nolan (MM) Francis Stokes Denis Stokes Tom Nolan Roseceline Delaney
	12 Noon	Imelda King Jim Phelan Pauline Wilson



**Please pray for the soul of**

Agnes O'Brien, Westgate

**St. Cronan's Service Pop** up shop at the Sub, (the Spot) Youth café, Main Street, Birr on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> and Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October from 11am to 3pm. On sale is a selection of Ladies and Gents clothes, Children's clothes, Handmade Crafts, Handmade Greeting cards, Paintings, Homemade Jam and Bric A Brac items

**The Joy of Love in Marriage** - A Marriage Enrichment Weekend offers married couples of all ages in a good relationship private time to rekindle the joy of their love. The next (residential) Weekend will be held at The Lake Hotel Killarney from **15th -17th Nov. 2019**. For info. and to book, visit <http://www.marriageencounter.ie/> or phone 064-6644319 or 086-6095168

**Birr Stage Guild** "Quiz Night" on Friday 18th October 830pm in The Chestnut €20 for table of 4. All support welcome.

**Coláiste Íde in Dingle** are holding open days on the 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> of October from 12-4. More information from 066 9151211 or [info@colaisteide.com](mailto:info@colaisteide.com).

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## October is Mission Month!

Next Sunday we will celebrate world mission Sunday when every parish throughout the world gives what it can to support overseas missionaries who live and work in some of the world's most impoverished communities.

Next week, if you can please be extra generous during the collection held at all masses in support of the missions. This collection will be taken up at the end of mass. For more information go to [www.wmi.ie](http://www.wmi.ie)



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**Coastal Rosary for Life, Faith and Love - Garden of Tranquillity.** Join in with thousands of people all around Ireland, as we gather on our coasts, near rivers, in our churches, at grottos etc. to pray the Rosary for Life, Faith and Love on **Sunday October 13<sup>th</sup> at 2.30pm**. We will join in with many countries around the world in Birr in the *Garden of Tranquillity* at the rear of St. Brendan's Church.

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On Sunday 13 October **Blessed John Henry Newman** will be declared a Saint by Pope Francis. Blessed John Henry Newman was the founder of the first Catholic university in Ireland and served as the university's first rector from 1854-1858.

### Cardinal Newman Prayer

May the Lord support us all the day long,  
Till the shadows lengthen and the evening comes,  
and the busy world is hushed,  
and the fever of life is over, and our work is done.  
Then in his mercy may he give us a safe lodging,  
and holy rest, and peace at the last. Amen.

### Cardinal Newman Quote

'Life passes, riches fly away, popularity is fickle,  
the senses decay, the world changes, friends die.

One alone is constant;

One alone is true to us;

One alone can be true:

One alone can be all things to us;

One alone can supply our needs;

One alone can train us up to our full perfection;

One alone can give a meaning

to our complex and intricate nature;

One alone can give us tune and harmony;

One alone can form and possess us.'

## Sr. Eileen's Cúinne

### Naomh Lúcas.

Comórfar lá fhéile Naomh Lúcas ar an Aoine seo chugainn 18 Deireadh Fómhair."Lúcas an lia . ró -ionúin "(Col 4 :14) a thug Naomh Pól air. Is léir óna scríbhinní gur Gréagach ó dhúchas é agus ceaptar gurbh as Aintíoch na Síre dó agus gur Naomh Pól féin a d'iompaigh chun an Chreidimh é .Thaisteal sé le Naomh Pól ar a lán dá aistear soiscéalaíochta agus d'fhan sé dílis dó a fhad a bhí Pól i mbraighdeanas sa Róimh.

Léiríonn Soiscéal Lúcaís trócaire Dé thar aon ní eile agus caoine an tSlánaitheora .Tugann sé an cuntas is iomláine ar Íosa ina Leanbh . Scríobh sé freisin Gníomhartha na nAspal leabhar a bhfuil cur síos ar chúrsaí na hEaglaise,ar an gcaoi ar chaithrigh síol an tSoiscéil ó lá na Deascabhála go dtí an bhliain 62AD.Tugann sé léargas dúinn ar shaothar Naomh Pól. Díríonn An Eaglais Chaitliceach ar Naomh Lúcas mar phátrún ar ealaíontóirí ,lianna, máinlianna agus mic léinn. **Trí idirghuí Naomh Lúcas go raibh tuiscint níos doimhne againn ar Shoiscéal Dé agus fonn orainn é a chraobhscaoileadh Áiméan.**

### Saint Luke

We celebrate the feast of Saint Luke on Friday, October 18. St. Paul referred to Luke "as Luke, the beloved physician" (Col 4 :14). It is clear from his writings that he was Greek and it is thought he was born in Antioch and that St. Paul himself inspired him to become a follower of Christ. He travelled with St. Paul as he spread the Gospel of Christ and supported Paul when he was imprisoned in Rome.

St. Luke's Gospel demonstrates God's mercy and especially the gentleness of our Saviour. He gives the most complete account of the child Jesus. He also wrote the Acts of the Apostles which describe the early Church and how it developed from the Ascension of Christ to 62AD . He gives us an insight into the writings of St. Paul. St. Luke is recognised by the Catholic Church as the patron saint of artists, physicians, surgeons and students.

**Through the intercession of St. Luke, may we have a deeper understanding of and the desire to spread the Gospel of Christ. Amen.**

**Monastic Experience Weekend** in Mount St Joseph Abbey, Roscrea from Friday 25th - Sunday 27th October for aged 10-40 who may be discerning a monastic vocation. For further information contact email [vocations@msjroscrea.ie](mailto:vocations@msjroscrea.ie) or text info to 085-8338503.