

BIRR PARISH

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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.

An Evening of Flowers - Richard Haslam is returning to Birr this Tuesday, 12th November for a presentation of flower arranging in Birr Church of Ireland, from 7:30 pm. Tickets €10, which includes a cheese and wine reception. The various displays will be in a raffle at the end of the evening. All welcome.

Fauré Concert - On Saturday, 23rd November, there will be a performance of Fauré's haunting Requiem, perhaps his most famous work, in St Brendan's Church of Ireland, Birr, commencing at 8:30 pm. Charles Marshall, organist and choirmaster of St Anne's Church in Dawson Street, Dublin, will conduct members of Birr Choral Society and St Brigid's Cathedral Choir from Kildare. The programme will include the Cantique de Jean Racine, one of Fauré's earliest works, and Da Pacem Domine, a short motet for ladies choir by Charles Gounod. The concert will last about one hour in total. Admission at the door will be €10 and proceeds will go towards church maintenance. All welcome

CRK Drama: Tickets now on sale for "Through the Chair". Booking number- 0892432578 or call to the Village Store in Carrig. Pre-sale of tickets will also take place in Carrig Hall on Friday 22nd Nov from 8-9 p.m.

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. Booking number: (087) 456 1569.

Teagasc Cattle & Sheep seminar - 'Practical Advice in a challenging time', Tullamore Court Hotel on Wednesday 13th November at 7pm. Speakers include, Joe Burke, Board Bia, Aidan Murray Livestock specialist Teagasc & Declan McEvoy, IFAC accountants. All are very welcome to attend.

Remembered in Mass this Week

Sat 9th	7.30 p.m.	Joe Gallagher (1st Ann) Martin, Nellie & Michael Ryan Pádraig Pyne Peter & Judy Plunkett Alan Regan Roger Lavender Enda Cooke, daughter Geraldine & granddaughter Natalie Patrick & Agnes Hogan & Hogan family Tommy Doherty, Crinkill Connie Gormley
Sun 10th	8.30 a.m.	Holy Souls
	10.30 a.m.	Frank Tuohy, Drumbane (1st Ann) Thomas & Mary Cox Maria Madden Joe Feehan Joe Flynn, Clonaslee Phyll & Billy Murphy Joan & Liam McGlone
	12 noon	Damien Martin Deegan John & Margaret Smyth Sr. Roberta Delaney
Carrig	9.30 a.m.	Holy Souls
Thur 14th	10.00 a.m.	Fintan McManus Sheila & Paddy Slattery
Fri 15th	10.00 a.m.	Fr. Francis McDonagh Deceased Eucharistic Adorers
Sat 16th	10.00 a.m.	Paddy, Ellen, Pauline & Hazel Mellsop
	7.30 p.m.	James Fogarty, Roscrea Road Rose Flynn, Roscrea Road Bill & Mae Riordan Eva Bodikova
Sun 17th	8.30 a.m.	Moira McCarthy, Ballindine (1st Ann)
	10.30 a.m.	Michael Kirwan, Bulfin Park (MM) Mary O'Callaghan Gloria Hansbury John Murdon Mary Loonam
	12 Noon	Agnes O'Brien (MM) John & Lily Lyndon John Gilmartin Josephine & Frank Higgins & daughter Dolores Catherine McGilton, Cappaneale Michael Purcell
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Please pray for the souls of

George Hackett,
BCNU and late of Seffin,
John Mahon, Fivealley,
Agnes Brophy, Kinnitty,
mother of Charlie,
Joseph Gleeson & daughter Noreen, Kinnitty.
Bro. Oliver, Mount St. Josephs.

November Remembrance Envelopes and cards for the names of your beloved dead are available in church porches and can be placed in the special box at the altar.



Rosary in Clonoghill - Members of the Legion of Mary will recite the Rosary in Clonoghill cemetery on Sundays 10th, 17th and 24th November at 3.00 p.m. All are welcome.

The **priests of the diocese** are meeting in Galway from **10-13 November** in an assembly called '**Making Meaningful & Hopeful Connection with Others**'. On Monday there is a funeral Mass at 11.00 a.m. and on Tuesday and Wednesday instead of 10.00 a.m. Mass there will be a lay-led liturgy including distribution of the Eucharist.

Property & Finance Committee Meeting on Wednesday November 13th at 8.00 p.m. in Parish Conference Room. All members are asked to attend.

The members of **Birr Comhaltas Music Class** will be playing Irish Music at the 7.30pm Mass on Saturday next 17th November.

Fr Ray Kelly in Concert - Fr Kelly of the Late Late Show, and Britain's Got Talent fame, will perform in St Joseph's Church, Moneygall on December 1st. Fr Kelly's concert commences at 7 pm and doors are open from 6 pm with unreserved seating. Tickets are €20 and all are welcome.

Mount Saint Joseph Abbey Roscrea: Advent Retreat **November 29th 30th 1st December.** Journey with Mary and Matthew, Led by Conor McCann Dublin Diocese pastoral worker.

Advent can become the 'lost season' when we get distracted by the hustle and bustle of Christmas shopping and parties. Yet there is an invitation given to us by the Scripture readings of the Advent Season to be still and calm, and to enter into a spirit of preparation for the Christmas celebrations. This year, the Priory Institute, Tallaght, offers an online retreat based on the 'O Antiphons' of Advent which were composed in the sixth or seventh century to accompany the Magnificat Evening Prayer for the last seven days of Advent. A team of presenters will guide participants through a series of reflections on these great 'O Antiphons' during the second part of Advent from 17th to 23rd December. This retreat is offered entirely online with one reflection per day beginning with an introduction on 16 December and ending on Christmas Day itself.

Congratulations to **Brian Hogan, Killeen** and his parents and family on being one of this year's recipients of a **GPA All-Star Award**. Thank you for a great year of memories.

Sum of money found. Please contact the Parish Office.

Sr. Eileen's Cúinne

Ár gCreideamh

Is é ár gCreideamh Caitliceach an tseoid is luachmhaire atá againn. Chun treoir a thabhairt dúinn é a neartú, seo seacht nós le cleachtadh:
· *Iarr beannacht ar Dhia gach maidin* · *Tabhair lámh cúnamh le do chomharsa in am an ghátair* · *Abair altú roimh agus tar éis béile* · *Iarr ar na naoimh idirghuí a dhéanamh ar do shon* · *Caith tamall ag léirsmoineamh* · *Glac Comaoineach Naofa mar lón anama agus neart intinne* · *Gabh buíochas le Dia gach oíche.*

A Dhia na Glóire neartaigh ár gcreideamh.

Áiméan

Is féidir Cré na nAspal a rá go rialta freisin mar is ann atá gach a gcreidimid maidir le Dia.

Our Catholic Faith is our greatest treasure. To guide us to strengthen it, here are seven practices which will help: · Ask God's blessing every morning. · Help your neighbour in time of need. Say grace before and after meals. · Ask the saints to intercede for you. · Spend time in contemplation of God's goodness. · Receive Holy Communion as spiritual food for of soul and strength of mind. · Give thanks to God every night. **God of Glory strengthen our Faith. Amen.** We can recite the Creed often because it contains our beliefs and is available in the weekly newsletter.

During the month of **November** we remember and pray for the **Holy Souls**.

Eternal Father, I offer You the most precious blood of thy Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the Masses said throughout the world today, for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the universal Church, for those in my own home, and in y family. Amen.

Prayer of St. Gertrude the Great

Basket Fund Collection Last Sunday €2,428 - Many Thanks
Parish Fund Collectors - November 17th
D. Naughton & A. Mellsop

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