

BIRR PARISH

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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.

Birr Castle: Come and visit the Gardens & Science Centre in Birr Castle on Sunday 17th November, 09:00-16:00. There will be no admission charge on the day. Instead there will be volunteers collecting donations towards funding a multi sensory garden in Birr Community Nursing Unit.

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.

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.

Birr Historical Society: Historian James Heenan (Lorrha) will speak on the Irish Harp, Turlough O'Calloran's journey to Portumna Castle and the Egan Harp in Birr Castle, on Monday 18th November, in the County Arms Hotel, at 8.00 p.m. All are welcome. Non members €5.00.

To raise funds for **One Day More** (a support group for parents who have received a difficult pre- natal prognosis for their baby) Offaly Pro-Life are holding a **Table Quiz** in J.J. Hough's Bar, Banagher on Thursday Nov. 21st at 9 pm. Teams of 4 - 10 euro p.p.. Great prizes plus raffle. Contact No. 086 2093720

Remembered in Mass this Week

Sat 16th	7.30 p.m.	James Fogarty, Roscrea Road Rose Flynn, Roscrea Road Bill & Mae Riordan Eva Bodikova
Sun 17th	8.30 a.m.	Moirra McCarthy, Ballindine (1st Ann)
	10.30 a.m.	Michael Kirwan, Bulfin Park (MM) Mary O'Callaghan Gloria Hansbury John Murdon Mary Loonam Colclough & Fogarty Families
	12 Noon	Agnes O'Brien (MM) John & Lily Lyndon John Gilmartin Josephine & Frank Higgins & daughter Dolores Catherine McGilton, Cappaneale Michael Purcell
Mon 18th	10.00am	Patrick and Larie Horan
Wed 20th	10.00am	Patrick Hutchinson
Thurs 21st	10.00am	Daly & Mooney Families
Fri 22nd	10.00am	Martin (Ducker) Carroll
Sat 23rd	10.00am	Paul Dwyer Margaret Mc Carthy
	7.30pm	John, Mary & Willie John Egan, Townsend Street Mary Egan Willie Egan Denis Parkinson Margaret Roe Lena Nowicka
Sun 24th	9.30am Carrig 10.30am	Brendan Keeshan Michael & Agnes Parkinson Paddy & Annie Mannion Willie & Josephine Milne, & Des & Anne Mahon, & O'Meara Families Patrick Bobby Sheils Matt Clifford
	12 noon	Bill & Dolores Owens & Owens & Mc Cormack Families Oliver Craughwell, Woodlands Park Joe & Delia Barry & sons Gerry & Des Sean Cooke, Grove Street Michael Quinn, Croghan

Please pray for the souls of



Betty Carr, Wicklow, Mother of Michelle Mullins, Sandymount, Birr
Padraig Gallagher, late of John's Place and USA, Brother-in-Law of John Mollloy, Hillside
Br. John Mc Donnell, Mount St. Joseph

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.

On Tuesday 19th November at the 10.00 a.m. Mass St.

Brendan's Church we will remember all who have been bereaved by suicide. Everyone is welcome at this Mass, not just those bereaved by suicide. Tea and coffee will be served afterwards in the Conference Room at the rear of St. Brendan's. All are very welcome to this special ceremony. Midlands Living Links provides support and listening service for those bereaved by suicide and can be contacted on 086 1600641.



Litany of Remembrance for Our Beloved Dead

- ◆ Let us remember those who have lived and loved, Those who have left us a blessed heritage.
- ◆ Let us remember the light filled ones who enkindled our spirits with their influence and the spark of their beliefs.
- ◆ Let us remember the risk takers, who faced their fears and took action, who sought justice even though they had to pay a price for it.
- ◆ Let us remember the vulnerable ones who allowed us to care for them, allowed us to be with them in their time of need.
- ◆ Let us remember the brave ones, who walked through their struggles with hope, who taught us how to trust.
- ◆ Let us remember the great lovers of life, whose Humour and enthusiasm lifted our spirits and brought us joy.
- ◆ Let us remember the nurturers, who gave us birth physically or spiritually, who gave us support by their caring presence.

Basket Fund Collection Last Sunday €1,987 - Many Thanks
Parish Fund Collectors - November 24th
M.Hogan & C. Mulrooney

Sponsored By

St. Pio Group
St. Pio Mass Thursday 21st @7.30pm

Sr. Eileen's Cúinne

Lá Domhanda na mBocht.

Inniu Lá Domhanda na mBocht. D'fhógair an Pápa Proinsias an Domhnach áirithe seo tiomanta do na boicht sa bhliain 2016, ag deireadh Bliain na Trócaire. I mbliana is é an téama atá tugtha dúinn ag an bPápa ná "Ní go deo a rachaidh dóchas na mbocht i léig" (Sailm 9:18) Laghdaíonn trócaire an bhochtaineacht agus méadaíonn sí an dóchas sa duine. Is é Íosa Críost féin atá linn sa duine bocht. "Bhí ocras orm agus thug sibh rud le hithe dom" (Matha 25: 35). Dúirt Naomh Uinsíonn de Pól "is iad na boicht ár maistrí. Is iad Críost féin in ár measc". Ar an Domhnach seo b'fhiú dúinn machnamh ar Phríomhoibreacha na Trócaire seo a leanas.

Bia a thabhairt don ocrach.
Deoch a thabhairt don tartmhar.
Éadach a thabhairt don nocht.
Dul ag fiosrú na ndaoine atá i mbraighdeanas.
Óstaíocht a thabhairt don deoraí.
Dul ag fiosrú na n-easlán.
Adhlacadh na marbh.

Today is World Day of the Poor. Pope Francis announced at the end of the Year of Mercy 2016 that this Sunday be devoted to the Poor. The theme given to us by the Pope this year is "But God will never forget the needy; the hope of the afflicted will never perish" (Psalm 9:18). Mercy reduces poverty and increases hope. Saint Vincent de Paul said "The poor are our masters. Christ himself is among us". On this Sunday we can reflect on the Corporal Works of Mercy:

To feed the hungry.
To give water to the thirsty.
To clothe the naked.
To shelter the homeless.
To visit the sick.
To visit the imprisoned.
To bury the dead.

Blessing of the Graves in Church and Church Grounds will take place on Monday 18th November after 10.00am Mass.

Please pray for all the Priests and Nuns who are buried in our Church Grounds.
May they Rest in Peace