

BIRR PARISH

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A **Trócaire Emergency Appeal** for the people of East Africa will take place next weekend **6th/7th November**. Many people in East African countries including Somalia, Ethiopia and South Sudan are struggling to survive a **devastating hunger crisis**. You are asked to donate what you can to this church collection next weekend. Many thanks.

E.G.M. of Carrig Tidy Towns will take place in Carrig Community Hall on Sunday 31st October at 2.30 p.m. All are welcome to attend.

Ministers of the Eucharist

With the increase in people attending Sunday Mass it is important that Ministers of the Eucharist who are rostered find a replacement if you are unable to attend the designated Mass.

Money Matters

We are especially grateful for your continued support to the parish finances. It is very much appreciated. Thank you to the many parishioners who have found new ways of continuing to support the parish during this time of reduced attendances. The generosity of so many means we can pay our way at this time.

Ways to contribute to our Parish

- Envelope boxes available in Church and Parish Office
- Direct payment by cheque or cash.
- Transfer directly to our bank account
- IBAN - IE40 BOFI 9016 7724 9407 77.

Parish Donations during the month of September was **€9,492**.

A book on the **"The Graveyards and Churches of Carrig and Loughen"** will be published next month. If you have loved ones interred in either Carrig or Loughen and we haven't been in contact please contact any of the following:

Tony Dargan (0872069342),
Tom or Margaret O'Brien, Laura Smith,
Tony Doorley, Dermot Sullivan,
Peter Whyte .

Míle Buíochas.

Remembered in Mass this Week

Sat 30th	7.30 p.m.	Margaret Merritt, Eliza Lodge (MM) Kathleen Gallagher (1st Ann) & her husband Joseph Teresa & Paddy Coughlan
Sun 31st	10.30 a.m.	Tommy Hutchinson & friends Mick & Molly Feighery Kathleen & Jean Gallagher
	12 noon	Peter Pardy
Carrig	9.30 a.m.	Sinead O'Brien (1st Ann) Maureen Hoare Hoare & O'Brien families
Thur 4th	10.00 a.m.	Eileen Hynes
Fri 5th	10.00 a.m.	Michael "Mick" Hehir, High Street Matt D'Arcy Mary Spillane Edward & Peggy Spillane
Sat 6th	7.30 p.m.	Adrian Cahill (1st Ann) Martin, Nellie & Michael Ryan Patrick & Agnes Hogan & family Peter & Judy Plunkett Alan Regan Roger Lavander Anthony & Bridget McLoughlin & family & grandson Peter Hynes Willie & Kathleen Hennessy
Sun 7th	10.30 a.m.	Gerry Donoghue (MM) Maria Madden
	12 noon	Marian Nevin Louise Noone Ann Maloney Eileen Hynes & her daughter Geraldine O'Brien family Margaret O'Connor
Carrig	9.30 a.m.	Nell Doorley (MM) Byrne family

Please Pray for the Souls of



Sr. Mary Spain, Cork and late of Killyon,
sister of Pat Spain,
Christina Marie Semple (nee Delaney),
Manchester & late of Glebe Street.

Mistakes are a fact of life.

**It's the response
to the error that counts.**

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November - Month of Remembering

This Sunday 31st October is the eve of All Hallows day or as we know it All Saints Day. It has been a sacred time in both our Celtic and Christian tradition when we are conscious of our dead.

Monday 1st November is a Holy Day when we celebrate the women and men we have known and from every time and place who are not formally recognised as saints but have been welcomed home to God.

Tuesday 2nd November we remember our beloved dead. We have a beautiful tradition of visiting a church or graveyard on this day and throughout November (Mí and Mairbh) to pray quietly for our dead and to be encouraged by their memories. Some people treat the month of November as a mini Lent - making sacrifices, staying off alcohol or sweet things or attending Mass.

26th UN Climate Conference

The 26th UN Climate Conference (or COP26 for short) begins today in Glasgow and will go on until Nov. 12th. We are already seeing signs of climate breakdown. Parts of the world are under threat because of rising sea levels due to global warming. Severe extreme weather events are causing devastation, destroying lives, homes, lands and livelihoods, especially in the poorest parts of the world which are most at risk.

At COP21 in December 2015, the Paris Agreement was reached which committed countries to try to limit global warming to 1.5°C above pre-industrial levels and not to allow it to go above 2°C. Six years later, global temperature rises are on track to reach a catastrophic 3°C.

Pope Francis, along with other religious leaders have called on those attending COP26 to renew their commitment to keep global temperatures below 1.5°C and to take action to make this possible. "We have inherited a garden: we must not leave a desert to our children," the statement says.

We are asked to pray for the success of COP26 during these days.

Loving God,
We praise your name with all you have created.
You are present in the whole universe,
and in the smallest of creatures.
We acknowledge the responsibilities you have placed upon us as stewards of your creation.
May the Holy Spirit inspire all political leaders at COP26 as they seek to embrace the changes needed to foster a more sustainable society.
Instil in them the courage and gentleness to implement fairer solutions
for the poorest and most vulnerable,
and commit their nations to the care of Our Common Home.
We ask this through Our Lord Jesus Christ your Son. Amen.

Sr. Eileen's Cúinne

An Creideamh.

Chun treoir a thabhairt dúinn ár gcreideamh a neartú, seo seacht nós le cleachtadh:

1. Iarr beannacht ar Dhia gach maidin.
2. Tabhair lámh cúnamh dod chomharsa in am an gháir.
3. Abair altú roimh bhia.
4. Iarr ar na naoimh idirghuí a dhéanamh ar do shon.
5. Caith tamall ag léirsmoineamh.
6. Glac Comaoineach Naofa mar lón anama agus neart intinne.
7. Gabh buíochas le Dia gach oíche.

A Dhia na glóire, déan aon ó chroí agus ó aigne na Críostaithe uile de réir mar is toil le Críost. Aiméan
Is féidir Cré na nAspal a rá go rialta freisin.

The Faith

To guide and strengthen our faith here are seven practices.

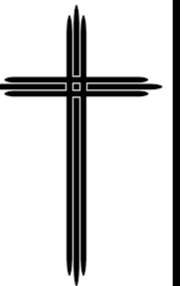
1. Ask God for his blessing each morning.
2. Help your neighbour in time of need.
3. Say Grace before meals.
4. Ask the saints to intercede for you.
5. Spend time reflecting.
6. Receive Holy Communion as spiritual food.
7. Thank God at the end of each day.

God of Glory, reconcile all Christian people, create a new spirit within them in accordance with your will. Amen

The Apostles creed can be recited regularly.

Dates For Your Diary

Saturday 6th November at 10.00 a.m. - Annual Remembrance Mass remembering all who have died in our Parish during the past year.



**Beannacht Dé leis na Mairbh
God Bless the Departed**

Saturday 6th November is the Feast of All the Saints of Ireland. We remember the holy men and women from Ireland whose example and goodness inspires and encourages us.

Sunday 7th November - Blessing of the Graves

Clonoghill - 3.00 p.m.
Carrig - after 9.30 a.m. Mass

Saturday 27th November - Feast of the Miraculous Medal - Mass at 10.00 a.m. will include a blessing of Miraculous Medals.