

BIRR PARISH

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Carrig Graveyard Committee - Our Annual graveyard mass was celebrated recently and it was a very special occasion. The Committee would like to thank everyone for their continued support and for all donations towards the upkeep of our church grounds. **Your support is very much appreciated.**

Heritage Week - Archaeologist Caimin O'Brien will deliver a lecture at the restored 17th Century Glass Furnace in Glasshouse, Shinrone on Tuesday 16th August @ 7pm refreshments served. For more information telephone Ann-Maria 087-9000737.

All Welcome.

Birr Library Notice - please note that the elevator is now back in service, Birr library would like to thank all library users for their patience while necessary repairs were completed.

Cardiac Rehab – A podcast series bringing together experts in cardiac rehab and patients who have attended cardiac rehabilitation. Topics included are exercise, medication, healthy eating and the psychological impact of living with heart disease. If you have had a cardiovascular event such as a heart attack, coronary artery stenting or coronary artery bypass surgery – log onto <https://irishheart.ie/services-for-you/its-cardiac-rehab-podcast/> for information and support'

Crochet Classes for Beginners will commence on Tuesday 9th August for 6 weeks from 7 to 9pm in the Conference Room at rear of the church. Please contact Jacinta on 0876480987 for further details.

**Sponsored by
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Remembered in Mass this Week

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| Sat 6th | 10.00 a.m. | Private Intentions |
| Sat 6th | 7.30 p.m. | Mary & Christy Hough, Bengal Lodge |
| Sun 7th | 8.30 a.m. | Private Intentions |
| Sun 7th Carrig | 9.30 a.m. | Private Intentions |
| Sun 7th | 10.30a.m. | Nora & Michael Grennan, Crinkill Jimmy & Maura Hayes & baby Daughter Tony Devine, Donaghmede, Dublin |
| Sun 7th | 12 noon | Baby Brendan McDonagh, Drumbane (1st Ann) Peter & Nora Costello, Rathbeg, Sharavogue John Kennedy, Bridge Street |
| Mon 8th | 10.00 a.m. | Private Intentions |
| Tues 9th | 10.00 a.m. | Decased Eucharistic Adorers Des Kenneally, Seffin Mick & May Kenneally |
| Wed 10th | 10.00am | Private Intentions |
| Thurs 11th | 10.00 a.m. | Private Intentions |
| Fri 12th | 10.00 a.m. | Kathleen Bowes, her 3 children & housekeeper, Main Street |
| Sat 13th | 10.00 a.m. | Gerry & Nellie Daly, Fairview |
| Sat 13th | 7.30 p.m. | Kevin Pardy Lill Roe, her granddaughter Rosaleen Waters, Clonoghill Emily & her husband Devassy Thekkan, O.A Devassy |
| Sun 14th | 8.30 a.m. | Private Intentions |
| Sun 14th Carrig | 9.30 a.m. | Private Intentions |
| Sun 14th | 10.30 a.m. | Tony Butler, Moorpark Street (MM) Kathleen & Sally Scully, Compton Row |
| Sun 14th | 12 noon | Bernadette Lally, McCauley Drive (1st Ann) Cyril Murphy, Station House, Birr |

Please Pray for the Souls of

Desmond (Denis) John Doran, Grove Street
Elizabeth Dwane, Eden Road
John Guinan, Newbridge Street



“The earth does not belong to man; Man belongs to the Earth. This we know. All things are connected like the blood which unites one family. Whatever befalls the Earth befalls the sons of the Earth. Man did not weave the web of life, he is merely a strand in it. Whatever he does to the web, he does to himself.” - Chief Seattle

Prayer for our Parish

God our Protector in your loving providence you have brought us into being to find joy in communion with one another and to know you in our joy.

We give you praise and thanks for the communion we share as members of the Body of Christ your Son gathered together as your parish. We give thanks for each member of the Body particularly in our own Parish for friend and stranger for the ones on the fringes and for those near the centre.

Fill us we pray with the Spirit of your Son. Give us confidence as you call us to build up the Body of Christ. Help us to see in our lives the moments and opportunities for caring confirming and reconciling. Bless us with the patience to overcome frustration. Bless us with hope as we journey together. Bless all members of the Parish.
Amen

For Carers

For Carers in this world, young and old, whose love, time and freedom, sometimes even childhood and whole adult life, is given sacrificially for one who is in need.

May they know your blessing, through good days and bad, and receive as they have given love in good measure, flowing as a gentle river into their hearts and lives

Birr Parish Finance

We thank parishioners who have continued to make donations to St. Brendan's Parish. Donations can be made to the parish in a number of ways:

1. Parish Envelopes (Cash or Cheque) Donations can be given at weekend Masses or placed in the locked green box in St. Brendan's church beside the candelabra. This box is opened daily,
2. Set up a standing order.
3. Electronic transfer to the Birr Parish bank account - IBAN - IE40 BOFI 9016 7724 9407 77.
4. SUM UP card machine available at the main entrance.

Parish Donations during the month of July was €10,308.00

Sr. Eileen's Cúinne

An 19ú Domhnach K22

Tá mí Lúnasa thar tairseach isteach chugainn agus an Fómhar os ár gcomhair amach. Mí Lúnasa, mí na cruithneachta, mí an Fhómhair, mí an arbhair, mí an tsamhraidh bháin. I mí Lúnasa, bí linn, a Thiarna. Is í intinn an Phápa do mhí Lúnasa: Dó gnólachtaí beaga. Go dtaga siad ar bhealaí le fanacht i mbun gnó agus le seirbhís a thabhairt don phobal.

Bhí ceithre phríomh fhéasta ag ár sinsear na Ceiltigh. Ba iad sin Samhain ag cur tús leis an mbliain; Imbolc ag fágáil slán leis an ngeimhreadh; Bealtaine ag cur tús leis an samhradh agus Lughnasa ag ceiliúradh torthúlacht an fhómhair. Is féidir linn tús an fhómhair a cheiliúradh sa lá inniu trí bhuíochas a ghabháil le Dia as torthaí na talún agus na riachtanais go léir a chuireann Sé ar fáil dúinn go fial flaithiúil. Níl le déanamh againn ach iarraidh air. Is féidir linn ómós a thabhairt do Dhia leis an phaidir seo a leanas:

19th Sunday

The ancient Celts had four great feasts in the year. These were Samhain (Halloween in modern times) which was the beginning of the Celtic year; Imbolc (first day of Spring) or the end of winter; Bealtaine (May Day) the start of summer and Lughnasa celebrating the bounty of the Harvest. We can celebrate the beginning of Autumn by giving thanks to God for the crops and the fruitfulness of creation which he gives us in abundance and for those who work in agriculture and food production. We can recite this prayer.
Radiance of my Heart
Dear Lord, your Heart is the radiance of my own, my heart delights that yours is so near to me, clearly your Heart keeps loving me utterly, so make your Heart a shield for my heart deep down.

You came from heaven, you walked on human shore, in mystery you suffered for all our sin, guiding in love the lance that allowed us in, and made our heart your dwelling forevermore.

(Faith of Two Peoples)