

BIRR PARISH

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Midland Living Links supporting those bereaved by suicide. Coffee Morning - 6th September, Conference room in St. Brendan's Church after 10.00 a.m. mass.

Carrig, Riverstown & Killeen Active Retirement Group - will resume after the summer break. Meeting in Carrig hall on Monday 15th September @ 7.30 pm activities will take place every Wednesday from 2.30-4.30pm. Planned holiday to Westport in October if anyone wishes to join us or for more information please contact Mary 087-1264925. Holiday open to non-members and new members welcome.

Start Your Own Business - Unemployed but have a business idea? Need expert support and guidance? Limited places remaining on Offaly Local Development Company's FREE Business Development Programme, starting Monday 19th September. Learn how to start your own business and gain 3 Qualifications (QQI Level 5). Contact Des Regan, BDP Coordinator, Email: dregan@offalyldc.ie or call 057 9352467 / 087 9699998. Website: www.offalyldc.ie and find us under Enterprise Supports.

Birr, Kinnitty & Crochet Circle re-commencing in Birr Library on Wednesday September 7th @ 5.30pm. Old and new members welcome. For further information contact Birr library on 05791-24950 or Mary on 086-8792096.

Special Olympics World Games Berlin 2023 Martina Lowe is looking for your support to go to Berlin as a volunteer with the Special Olympics world games next summer. She will be fundraising over the next few months on her go. Fund me page on Facebook so all contributions will be greatly appreciated.

Carrig, Riverstown & Killeen Drama are holding an information night, in preparation for our drama at the end of November, in the Carrig Riverstown Community Hall next Monday night at 9 p.m. All are welcome.



Remembered in Mass this Week

Sat 3rd	10.00 a.m.	Private Intentions
Sat 3rd	7.30 p.m.	Alice Higgins, High Street Michael & Teresa Milne & Son's Michael & Raymond, Crinkill William & Margaret Murdock, High Street
Sun 4th	8.30 a.m.	Private Intentions
Sun 4th Carrig	9.30 a.m.	Private Intentions
Sun 4th	10.30a.m.	Ray Nolan, Ely Place
Sun 4th	12 noon	Denis Doran, Grove Street (MM) Mary Morris, Newbridge Street (1st Ann) Marie Burke, Hillside
Mon 5th	10.00 a.m.	Private Intentions
Tues 6th	10.00 a.m.	Private Intentions
Wed 7th	10.00am	Private Intentions
Thurs 8th	10.00 a.m.	Private Intentions
Fri 9th	10.00 a.m.	Mick Roche, Ashbrook Drive Patsy Gleeson, Morrpark Street
Sat 10th	10.00 a.m.	Dan Bass & deceased family members
Sat 10th	7.30 p.m.	John Gormley & his wife Connie, Woodlands Martin Rice, Newbridge Street
Sun 11th	8.30 a.m.	Private Intentions
Sun 11th Carrig	9.30 a.m.	Peter King & Son Charles & Peter's brother James King
Sun 11th	10.30 a.m.	Jennie Kennedy, Cornhill Road (1st Ann) Kathleen Carry, Compton Row Hughie & Vincent Tuohey Dettie Hayes, High Street
Sun 11th	12 noon	John Hogan, Clonoghill Lower (MM) Ned King, Killeen Tom King, Australia Frank McGregor, Australia Tom & Molly Smyth, Killeen Carmel Danagher, Castletown Charlie & Bessie Fleury

Please Pray for the Souls of

Baby Hughie Fowler, Roscrea, grandson of
John Fowler, Glebe Street
Nigel Wrafter, New Road



New School Year Blessing

Young People and Parents are invited to bring their school bags to Mass next weekend and place the bags on the Altar rails or sanctuary area where a prayer of blessing will be imparted on them for the success of the year ahead.

Minister of the Eucharist rotas are now available behind the Altar. Thank you.

Birr Review

The Birr Review Committee are hard at work putting this year's Birr Review together and are looking for contributions from the people of Birr to this much loved annual publication. We would like to include photographs of people from the parish who have passed away since 1 November 2021 along with couples who have been married and those who have celebrated their 20th, 30th, 40th, 50th or 60th Wedding Anniversaries since 1 November 2021. Please send all pictures and accompanying details to: birrreview@gmail.com.

September at Birr Theatre & Arts Centre brings a laugh a minute! **Marian Keyes & Tara Flynn- Now You're Asking**, aim to sort all sort of problems, **Drawing from the Well**, a spectacular trad night with a difference, **Eilish O'Carroll** has her one woman show- *Live*Laugh*Love and **Deirdre O'Kanes -Demented!** www.birrtheatre.com or 0579122911 for full details.

Congratulations to all Leaving Cert students on receiving excellent results during the week.

We wish you every blessing and best wishes for the next stage of your life.

Offaly Local Development Company, with the support of Birr Castle Demesne, invite you to join them for a social walk around the grounds of Birr Castle, on Monday September 12th. Meeting at 11am, this event is free of charge and suited to everyone. Booking preferred, by contacting Declan on 087 699 1226 or Louise on 087 692 5276.

Offaly Local Development Company, with the support of Offaly Healthy Homes, invite you to a social food event in the Marian Hall, Birr, on Monday September 12th. Join us at 12.30pm for a light lunch and a chat. This event is free of charge but donations towards Offaly Health Homes are welcome. Booking essential, by contacting Declan on 087 699 1226 or Louise on 087 692 5276.

Staying Connected @ Offaly Libraries.

This six-week LOETB computer course will help you get familiar with your smartphone, computer or tablet, learn about general online services and find out all about our Digital Library, including online books, magazines and classes. Bring your own device if possible!

This course is open to anyone, and will take place in Birr Library commencing mid-September.

Please contact Birr Library to book a place. Spaces are limited and early booking is recommended. BirrLibrary@offalycoco.ie / 057 9346832

Sr. Eileen's Cúinne

An Tríú Domhnach is Fiche.

Inniu an Tríú Domhnach is Fiche Saor. Tá mí Mheán Fómhair agus séasúr an Fómhair buailte linn. Mí Mheáin Fómhair, mí na torthúlachta, mí bhainte an arbhair, mí na scoile, mí na Féile Michíl. Intinní an Phápa do mhí Mheán Fómhair: Guímis go gcuirfear pionós an bháis, a dhéanann ionsaí ar dhínit an duine, ar ceal go dlíthiúil i ngach tír. I mí Mheáin Fómhair bí linn, a Thiarna. Seo paidir do Mheán Fómhair ón gcnuasach *Feac do Ghlúin*.

Smaoineoidh muid feasta ar Mhuire, Máthair Íosa, A chuaigh ar mhuin asail go stábla fíorfhuar; Saolaíodh di an leanbh ar uair an mheán oíche, Is tháinig aingil ó na flathis aici a' canadh is a' ceol.

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today is the Twenty-Third Sunday of the year. The month of September and Autumn have arrived. September, season of fruitfulness, season of harvesting the corn, month of schools re-opening, month we celebrate the feast of St. Michael. Be with us Lord during the month of September. We pray that the death penalty, which attacks the dignity of the human person, may be legally abolished in every country. The following prayer for September is from the collection *Feac do Ghlúin*.

"We will keep forever in our memory Mary, Mother of Jesus Who rode on a donkey to a bitterly cold stable, Her baby was born at midnight And angels from Heaven came singing and rejoicing"

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