

## BIRR PARISH

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Monday - Friday 9.30 a.m. - 12.30 p.m.

### Clergy of Brendan Cluster

Fr. Tom Hogan—057-9121757  
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**Padre Pio Mass** Thursday 15th September @ 7.30pm

**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.

**Offaly Public Participation Network Invitation**  
Social Inclusion Networking and Information sharing showcase. On Wednesday 14th September, 2022 In the Tullamore Court Hotel 10.30am – 4pm Light Refreshments will be served.

**The Alzheimer Society of Ireland** are delighted to announce that Alzheimer's Memory Walk 2022 is taking place nationwide on Sunday, 18th September. It's a family-friendly event suitable for all ages and abilities. We hope that 3,000 walkers across Ireland will help us raise €250,000 for vital services that help to support so many people with dementia and their family carers across Ireland. Please visit [memorywalk@alzheimer.ie](mailto:memorywalk@alzheimer.ie) to register for your fundraising pack today.

### Volunteers needed at Parents First

Would you be interested in volunteering with Parents First for 1-2 hours each week? We are looking for Parents or Grandparents to pass on their valuable knowledge and experience in bringing up children. Please phone Dolores or Attracta on 057 9322996 OR 086 1959221

## Remembered in Mass this Week

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	9.30 a.m.	Peter King & Son Charles & Peter's brother James King
Sun 11th	10.30a.m.	<b>Jennie Kennedy, Cornhill Road (1st Ann)</b> Kathleen Carry, Compton Row Hughie & Vincent Tuohey Dettie Hayes, High Street
Sun 11th	12 noon	<b>John Hogan, Clonoghil Lower (MM)</b> Ned King, Killeen Tom King, Australia Frank McGregor, Australia Tom & Molly Smyth, Killeen Carmel Danagher, Castletown Charlie & Bessie Fleury
Mon 12th	10.00 a.m.	Kathleen Grogan, Cloncarbon, Eglishe Sheila & Paddy Slattery, Newtown Nenagh & grandson Charlie Brummell, Cappaneale
Tues 13th	10.00 a.m.	Deceased Eucharistic Adorers Annie Smyth
Wed 14th	10.00am	Brendan & Peggy Gallagher, High Street & family members Molly Nevin, High Street
Thurs 15th	10.00 a.m.	Private Intentions
Thurs 15th	7.30 p.m.	Padre Pio Mass
Fri 16th	10.00 a.m.	Seamus Hoban, Dublin
Sat 17th	10.00 a.m.	Mass of hope for those bereaved (Midland Living Links)
Sat 17th	7.30 p.m.	<b>Paul Lynch, Westgate (MM)</b> Tom Pardy
Sun 18th	8.30 a.m.	James & Bridget Flynn George Flynn & Family
Sun 18th	9.30 a.m.	Tim Carey, Barncourt Nora, Paul & Paudge Quinn, Carrig and all deceased family members
Sun 18th	10.30 a.m.	<b>Fiona Guinan, Whiteford (MM)</b> Michael Hansbury Senior, Bulfin Park
Sun 18th	12 noon	Brian Guidera Patrick O'Gorman & Deceased family members Anne & Patrick Murray, Lisheen

## Knock & Lough Derg Pilgrimage 12/13th September

**Bus for Knock & Lough Derg Pilgrimage will collect at the Lidl Car Park on the Tullamore road @ 8.50am. Thank you.**

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](mailto: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](http://www.birrtheatre.com) or 0579122911 for full details.

**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](mailto:BirrLibrary@offalycoco.ie) / 057 9346832

Would you be willing to provide companionship or make calls to Older People once a week? **ALONE** are seeking volunteers in your area. Full training and support provided. If interested please sign up here: <https://alone.ie/volunteers/> for more information, contact Fiona on [fiona.boyle@alone.ie](mailto:fiona.boyle@alone.ie) or on 086 1366539."

## Sr. Eileen's Cúinne

### An Ceathrú Domhnach is Fiche

Saor Sa bhliain 326 chuaigh Naomh Helena máthair Impire Chonstaintín Mór soir go hIarúsailéim agus d'éirigh léi Cros Chéasta Chríost a fháil. D'fhógair an Pápa PiusV11 Féile Sheacht nDólás na Maighdine Muire agus ceiliúrtar é ar 14 Meán Fómhair. Is fiú dúinn machnamh ar Sheacht nDólás na Maighdine Muire. Seo iad a leanas:

1. Tairngreacht Shimeon
2. An Teitheadh don Éigipt
3. Íosa ar iarraidh sa Teampall in Iarúsailéim
4. Castar Íosa lena mháthair ar a thuras go Calvaire
5. Céasadh Íosa ar Chnoc Chalvaire
6. Cliathán Íosa á tholladh le sleá agus tógtar Íosa den chros.
7. Íosa á adhlacadh ag Íosaef ó Airiomatáia.

### The 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Catholic Church celebrates the Exaltation of the Holy Cross on September 14 and Our Lady of Sorrows on September 15. St Helena mother of Emperor Constantine the Great discovered the True Cross of Christ in Jerusalem. Pope Pius V11 declared the feast Our Lady of Sorrows which is celebrated on the 15 September. We ought to reflect on Our Lady's Sorrows.

These are they:

1. The Prophecy of Saint Simeon
2. The Escape and Flight into Egypt.
3. The Loss of the Child Jesus in the Temple of Jerusalem
4. The Meeting of Mary and Jesus on the Via Dolorosa.
5. The Crucifixion of Jesus on Mount Calvary.
6. The Piercing of the Side of Jesus, and His Descent from the Cross.
7. The Burial of Jesus by Joseph of Arimathea.

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