

BIRR PARISH

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

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Learn to play Bridge - Keep Mentally Fit and have fun for further details please contact 086-8363566 or 087-7858409

St. Brendan's Reader's. New rotas are now available behind the altar for collection.

BIRR YOUNG VOICES
For all boys and girls age 8-12 years (2nd-6th class) who like to sing!
A new season begins for this multi-cultural cho-ral project, welcoming children from all over the region, past and new members. Thursdays 4.00-5.15 beginning 22nd September. FREE to all. Further Information at Birr Library, Birr The-atre & Arts Centre, at www.birrfestivalofmusic.com and 087 2836675.

Birr Theatre & Arts Centre are hosting The Press Photographers Association of Ireland Exhibition presently, weekdays 1-5.30pm, Sat/ Sun 2 – 5pm. All welcome!
Time for a laugh with Julie Jay- Oops- This is Toxic, Thurs 29 Oct 8pm and funny man Conal Gallen in Knot Again, Fri 30 Sept, 8pm. All details www.birrtheatre.com

Marian Hall “Live Bingo”
Every Friday Night @ 8.30pm.
Over €2,000 in prize money plus Jackpot of €2,000 on offer. All Welcome.

Mary's Meals – Text to Donate
If you are a prepay customer on your mobile phone and have unused credit at the end of the month, you can use it to donate to Mary's Meals. Just text the word “JOY” to 50300. Texts cost €4. Mary's Meals will receive a minimum of €3.60. Service Provider: LIKECHARITY
Helpline: 01 4819311 information, please contact Angela Moore at 089-4339592 or angela.moore@marysmeals.org.

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Remembered in Mass this Week

Sat 24th	10.00 a.m.	Private Intentions
Sat 24th	7.30 p.m.	Eamon Pardy, Ashbrook Drive Bernadette & Brendan Corboy, Boherdeel Crinkill Irene O'Leary, High Street Bridie, Tim & Aidan Rosney, Presentation Place Jimmy Donoghue, McCauley Drive
Sun 25th	8.30 a.m.	Private Intentions
Sun 25th	9.30 a.m.	Nell Doorley, Loughkeen James Hctor
Sun 25th	10.30a.m.	Margaret Merritt, Eliza Lodge (1st Ann) & deceased members of the O'Doherty & Merritt families Patrick O'Meara Sheila Jennings, Grove Street Paddy Wall
Sun 25th	12 noon	Rachel Spain, Corr Na Meala Eileen & Mick O'Regan & deceased members of the Shortt family Philomena McNamara, Elm Grove Michael Bowes, Connaught Street
Mon 26th	10.00 a.m.	Private Intentions
Tues 27th	10.00 a.m.	Current, Past & Deceased Members of the St. Brendan's Conference St. Vincent De Paul, Birr
Wed 28th	10.00am	Private Intentions
Thur 29th	10.00 a.m.	Rachel Spain, Corr Na Meala
Fri 30th	10.00 a.m.	Mona Collins & deceased family members
Sat 1st	10.00 a.m.	Bridget & John Hutchinson Winifred Murphy Christy Parsons, Crinkill
Sat 1st	7.30 p.m.	Nigel Wrafter, Pound Street (MM) Mai Snow, Compton Rowe Brenda Deegan & Sons Damien & Michael Deegan, Military Road
Sun 2nd	8.30 a.m.	Michael & Rose Brien and family, Birr & Burkes Hill
Sun 2nd	9.30 a.m.	Private Intentions
Sun 2nd	10.30 a.m.	Tom Huthchinson, High Street Gerry Garahy, Mile Tree
Sun 2nd	12 noon	Private Intentions

Please Pray for the Souls of
Bernadette Kirwan, Ballindarra
Agatha Cooney, John's Mall
Vincent Daly, England nephew of Dolores Hegarty, Cappaneale
Ita Burrow (Nee Lally), London formerly Eden Road
sister of Ger, Gabriel & Ray Lally, Bulfin Park
May Fox, Castlebar, mother of Peter Fox, Rocklane



Birr Parish Accounts

For year ending 31st December 2021

Income	% Diff to 2020	2021
Basket Collection	6.1%	€41,666
Parish Development Fund	37.5%	€48,722
Shrines	56.4%	€35,022
Bequests	66.6%	€3,000
Income from		
Parish Properties	21.8%	€17,500
Donations/Sponsorship	136.5%	€3,240
CHY2 Revenue Tax Refund	18.5%	9,382
VAT Refund	-98.6%	€12.60
Christmas Mass Bouquets	8.0%	€4,752
Magnets		€400
Total Income	32.6%	€163,697

Expenditure

Administration		
Wages		
includes COVID-19 Refund	1.1%	€50,817
Diocesan Levy	49.1%	€19,680
Insurance	106.9%	€9,439
Parish Office Expenses	-33.3%	€3,864
Printing/Newsletter	-26.9%	€5,826
Bank Charges	-11.9%	€1,025
	9.3%	€90,652

Parish Activities		
Parish Functions	-81.8%	€940
Liturgical Celebrations		
/Altar Supplies	-22.6%	€4,544
Shrine Candles	106.9%	€8,133
Faith Formation	17.0%	€1,798
	-6.5%	€15,415

Parish Property		
Maintenance/Requisites	-22.8%	€16,723
Compton Row Bequest Repairs		€18,846
Heating/Electricity	-4.9%	€15,700
Water, Refuse & LPT	282.0%	€3,946
Fire & Security Systems	3.3%	€502
Webcam, Sound & IT	-27.7%	€2,138
	35.6%	€57,858
Total Expenditure	15.4%	€163,927

Summary		
Total Income	32.6%	€163,697
Total Expenditure	15.4%	€163,927
Excess of Expenditure over Income	-98.8%	-€229

Other

Priests Collection	17.2%	€50,425
Trocaire	2768%	€10,191
Lourdes		€677
Mission Sunday	329.8%	€2,729

We thank you for your continued support and generosity

Sr. Eileen's Cúinne

Lá Domhanda na nImirceach is na dTeifeach Inniu dirítear ár n-aire ar Imircigh agus Teifigh. Sa teachtaireacht thréadach a d'eisigh an Pápa Proinsias chuir sé i gcuimhne dúinn go raibh Íosa go mór ar thaobh an strainséir agus an dí-beartaigh. Dúirt sé go mbíonn Íosa Críost ullamh le go n-aithneofaí É i measc na n-imirceach, na dteifeach, na daoine easáitithe, na deoraí. Le roinnt míonna anuas, chonaiceamar na mílte duine idir mhná, fhir is páistí ag teitheadh An Úcráin agus go leor tíortha eile de bharr cogair agus géarleanúna. Chuir na pictiúir a bhí le feiceáil sna meáin chumarsáide dubhachas agus gruaim orainn agus níl feabhas ar bith ag teacht ar an scéal. Is féidir linn an phaidir seo a rá ar a son, ár muintir mhuirneach, atá gan dí-dean:

A Thiarna Dia, Bí i bhfochair na himircigh agus an iad siúd a cuireadh as a seilbh. Bí i bhfochair na duine nach féidir leis dul i dteagmháil lena muintir. Bí i bhfochair an duine a lorgaíonn aghaidh cheanúil amháin os a chomhair. Bí i bhfochair an duine a shantaíonn an teagmháil ghrámhar. Cabhraigh linn lámh chaoín chúnta a shíneadh i dtreo do mhuintire ionas go dtóg-far saol ceart cóir a mbeidh áit do chách ann. Áiméan

Today the Church remembers Migrants and Refugees. In his pastoral letter Pope Francis reminded us that Jesus always considered himself among the strangers and the outcasts. He said Jesus wishes us to recognise Him in the migrants, fugitives, exiles, the dispossessed and in the stranger. For many months we have seen thousands of people, women, men and children, fleeing their countries because of wars and persecution. We were saddened by the pictures of refugees published in the media and their suffering goes on. We can recite this prayer for them:

Lord, be present to migrants and all those dispossessed. Be present to those who cannot be with their own people. Be present to those who long to see even one friendly face. Be among those who yearn for a warm greeting Help us to reach out to your people to create a just world for all. Amen