

BIRR PARISH

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Psalter Week 2

Padre Pio Mass - Thursday 19th April @ 7.30pm

Communion Mementos

Gift Sets, Boxed Cards & Wooden Crosses for Communion Boy & Girls ideal gifts for Communion Day on sale in the Parish office.

A sincere thank you to all who contributed to the Church gate collection for **Turkey/Syria** the 11/12th March **the amount donated was €546.78.**

Carrig Tidy Towns Group is delighted with the support received from the community over the past year. Again this year the group plans to host a 'Breakfast Morning' on Sunday April 23rd in Carrig and Riverstown Hall at 10.a.m. Breakfast will be provided to anyone attending that morning and donations to help fund the coming years activities would be greatly appreciated'

Trocaire Boxes people are asked to leave their Trocaire Boxes to the Parish Office or to the Sacristy before or after Mass. Thank you for your generosity.

Historical Talks- Scribes, Scripts & Manuscripts (Latin from Celtic Sources, The MacRegol Gospels) Birr Library, Friday 21st April - 7.30-9pm. Admission Free

We acknowledge and thank parishioners for their generosity and support of the Parish. The amount donated week ending 8th/9th April was **€3,445.50** to the Parish.

COMMUNITY SING NIGHT

Calling all who like to sing, aged 18-80, to come for an evening of singing on Tuesday 18th April at Birr Theatre & Arts Centre, 8pm. A light-hearted hour of singing together in unison and harmony, led by music director Gregory Ward. Free to all - no experience needed - just come on the night. Presented by Birr Festival of Music - 087 2836675

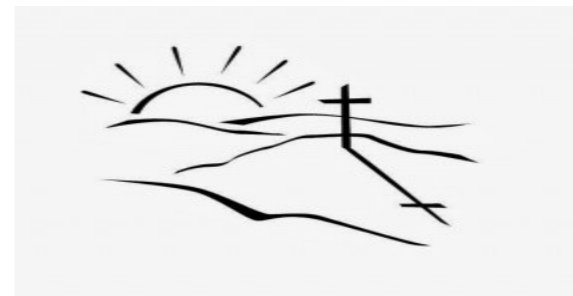
Killaloe Diocesan Pilgrimages to Lourdes 2023 - 27th June to 2nd July and 2nd Oct to 7th Oct from Shannon Airport. Information and bookings contact Joe Walsh Tours - 01 2410800

Sponsored by Birr Town Soccer Club

Remembered in Mass this Week

Sat 15th	10.00am	Private Intentions
Sat 15th	7.30pm	Sophie Scully, Meadowbrook (MM) Kathleen Ryan, Emmet Street (1st Ann) Jim & Lily Reid Michael Hough, Bengal Lodge Margaret, Michael & John Molloy Michael Ryan, Burkes Hill Martin Mongan & wife Winnie, Croghan Road
Sun 16th	8.30am	Private Intentions
Sun 16th	9.30am	Memorial Mass for the late Michael O'Brien, Drogheda & Eyrecourt, Son of the late Maurice & Kathleen O' Brien, Carrignamuck, Carrig Bill O'Meara & family members Mamie (Mary) Gleeson, Lacka
Sun 16th	10.30am	Margaret Gleeson Graham Ringrose Michael & Terry Dolphin & sons Michael, Tod & Joseph Mary Sheils, Whiteford Celie Harte, Crompton Row
Sun 16th	12noon	Bridie Smyth, Killeen Paddy Kearns, Military Road Seamus Hogan, Ballindarra
Mon 17th	10.00am	Michael Mongan, Millbrook Park, Roscrea Road (MM)
Tues 18th	10.00am	Private Intentions
Wed 19th	10.00am	Private Intentions
Thurs 20th	10.00am	Private Intentions
Thurs 20th	7.30pm	Padre Pio Mass
Fri 21st	10.00am	Francis Kennedy, Newbridge Street (1st Ann)
Sat 22nd	10.00am	Patricia Fitzpatrick, High Street (MM)
Sat 22nd	12noon	Funeral Mass of Michael Joseph McCormack
Sat 22nd	7.30pm	Barry Kelly, The Oaks, Woodlane (MM) Tony Fahey, Burkes Hill (1st Ann) Annieo Coughlan, Glebe Street Peter Judge, Fairview James (Jim Bob) Donoghue, Bulfin Park Jane Dwyer, Eglishe & her daughter Catherine Margaret Lawlor, New Road
Sun 23rd	8.30am	Private Intentions
Sun 23rd	9.30am	Brendan & Sarah O' Brien
Sun 23rd	10.30am	Michael Quealy, Hillside (MM) John Kennedy Senior & Junior Mary Kennedy, Cornmarket Street
Sun 23rd	12noon	James Martin, Cappaneale

An Easter Prayer



Christ our life, you are alive in the beauty of the earth In the rhythm of the seasons in the mystery of time and space Alleluia

Christ our life, you are alive in the tenderness of touch in the heartbeat of intimacy in the insights of solitude Alleluia

Christ our life, you are alive in the creative possibility of the dullest conversation the dreariest task the most threatening event Alleluia

Christ our life, you are alive to offer re-creation to every unhealed hurt to every deadened place to every damaged heart Alleluia

You set before us a great choice. Therefore we choose life. The dance of creation soars and surges through the whole creation. It sets gifts of bread and wine upon our table.

This is grace, dying we live. So let us live.

Regina Caeli

Regina Caeli, laetare, alleluia
Quia quem meruisti portare, alleluia,
Resurrexit sicut dixit, alleluia
Ora pro nobis Deum, alleluia
Gaude et laetare, Virgo Maria, alleluia
Quia surrexit Dominus vere, alleluia

Queen of heaven, rejoice, alleluia .
The son whom you merited to bear, alleluia
Has risen as he said, alleluia.
Pray for us to God, alleluia.
Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary alleluia.
For the Lord has truly risen, alleluia.

Please Pray for the Souls of

Phyl McDowell, Townsend Street
 Michael O'Brien, Drogheda & formerly Eyrecourt
 Michael Joseph McCormack, Lacka & England



Sr. Eileen's Cúinne

Beannachtaí

Tá go leor beannachtaí le fáil sa Ghaeilge. Sa traidisiún bhí paidir ann do gach ócáid agus do gach gné den saol. Seo paidir le rá agus tú ag dul amach ag taistil.

Gur ar choimrí Dé agus na Maighdine Muire tú. Naomh Iósaef, Mac Duach agus Mac Dara agus Naomh Peadar do do thabhairt abhaile slán. Áiméan.

Beannú na gCéadfaithe, Naomh Fursa atá againn ón seachtú haois déag.

Go raibh cuing reachta Dé ar an ngualainn seo, Go raibh fiosrú an Spioraid Naoimh ar an gceann seo,

Go raibh comhartha Chríost san éadan seo, Go raibh éisteacht an Spioraid Naoimh sna cluasa seo,

Go raibh boltanú an Spioraid Naoimh sa tsrón seo,

Go raibh amharc mhuintir neimhe sa bhéal seo, Go raibh obair eaglais Dé sna lámha seo,

Go raibh leas Dé agus na gcomharsan sna cosa seo,

Agus gura le Dia, Athair uile, an duine seo.

Tá an bheannacht againn ó aimsir na réamh-Chríostaíochta. (A pre-Christian blessing as there is no mention of God)

Síocháin dhiamhair na toinne reatha chugat

Síocháin dhiamhair na leoithne boige chugat

Síocháin dhiamhair na cré socra chugat

Síocháin dhiamhair na réiltíní gliosca chugat

Síocháin dhiamhair mac na síthe chugat.

Blessings

In the Irish language there were prayers for every occasion and for all aspects of life. This is a prayer for a safe journey.

May God and the Virgin Mary protect you. Saint Joseph, Macduach, Macdara and Saint Peter bring you home safely. Amen

Blessing for Understanding and Perception of Saint Fursey

The arms of God around my shoulders,

The touch of the Holy Spirit upon my head,

The sign of Christ's cross upon my forehead,

The sound of the Holy Spirit in my ears,

The fragrance of the Holy Spirit in my nostrils,

The vision of heaven's company in my eyes,

The conversation of heaven's company on my lips,

The work of God's Church in my hands,

The service of God and neighbour in my feet,

A home for God in my heart,

And to God, the Father of all, my entire being,

Amen

Deep peace of the running wave to you.

Deep peace of the flowing air to you.

Deep peace of the quiet earth to you.

Deep peace of the shining stars to you.

Deep peace of the infinite peace to you.