

BIRR PARISH

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Psalter Week 1

Baptism Candles now available from the Parish office

Readers are requested to collect their new rota behind the altar. A warm welcome to our new readers. Their help is greatly appreciated.

We acknowledge and thank parishioners for their generosity and support of the Parish. The amount donated week ending 27/28th May was **€2,140.00** to the Parish.

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

Hosting superb reviews, **Mojo Mickybo**, a play about a couple of boys growing up in Belfast from opposing sides of the sectarian divide are "as thick as two small thieves" **Birr Theatre & Arts Centre Saturday 10 June, 8pm more details and to book, www.birrtheatre.com**

Offaly Healthy Homes in conjunction with community partners across South and West Offaly are hosting Lunch Clubs in many areas. These clubs provide you with a safe place for some good food where you can enjoy the company of your neighbours and friends. We are in your area on: **Tues 6/6/23** 12.30pm to 3.30pm. **Dooley's Hotel** Birr. Cost is just €10 per person for dinner, dessert and entertainment. If you are interested in attending please contact us on 087 9799663 or 087 2175998 for more information.

3 day Pilgrimage to Lough Derg, July 24/25/26th bus from Emmett Square, Birr. Enquiries to Parish Office

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

Bus to Knock Shrine

The National Mary's Meals Annual Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine takes place on Saturday 1st July. Bus will leave Roscrea at 9am. To book a seat (€20), please contact Angela at 089-4339592.

Remembered in Mass this Week

Sat 3rd	10.00am	Mary Hehir & son Geoffrey
Sat 3rd	7.30pm	Dan & Carmel Milne, Crinkill Michael Joseph Molloy, Meadow Court Brian Thomas Molloy, Ballivor, Meath
Sun 4th	8.30am	Private Intentions
Sun 4th Carrig	9.30am	Theresa & John Kennedy & daughter Mary & deceased members of the Rice & Kennedy Family
Sun 4th	10.30am	Brendan Burns Lil & Pake Egan
Sun 4th	12noon	Private Intentions
Mon 5th	10.00am	Private Intentions
Tues 6th	10.00am	Celine, Lorraine & dad John McCarthy Michael Delaney & deceased members of the Delaney family
Wed 7th	10.00am	Private Intentions
Thurs 8th	10.00am	Private Intentions
Fri 9th	10.00am	Private Intentions
Sat 10th	10.00am	Private Intentions
Sat 10th	7.30pm	Con Phelan, Townsend Street Eamon O'Meara, Ballindarra
Sun 11th	8.30am	Private Intentions
Sun 11th Carrig	9.30am	Mary & Brendan Keeshan Des Reddan & Kevin Reddan, Fadden Carrig Sheila & Ann Lenihan
Sun 11th	10.30am	Private Intentions
Sun 11th	12noon	Emiley Thekkan, Devassy Thekkan, Thomas Francis & O.A Devassy

Please Pray for the Souls of

Frederick Hollywood, The Terrace, Crinkill
 Martin (Carlo) Carroll, Bulfin Park
 Deirdre Walker (née Haugh) formerly of Woodlands Drive & Berkshire England sister of Desmond Haugh, Woodlands Drive
 Maria Pey & daughter Melissa Creamer formerly of Glebe Street & Scotland sister of Bernie Ryan, Mulholland's Pharmacy & Terryglass
 Seán O'Meara, Rathcabbín brother of Freda Tierney, Burkes Hill
 Pauline Walshe (nee Cleary) Kilkenny & late of Roscrea Road Birr
 Joe Spain, Boveen, Brosna, Birr, uncle of Mary King, The Gables, Riverstown



"May you support us all the day long until the shadows lengthen and the evening comes, and the busy world is hushed, and the fever of life is over and our work is done. Then, Lord, in your mercy grant us a safe lodging, a holy rest, and peace at the last, through Christ Jesus, our Lord"

Remembering those taking Exams

The state exams begin on Wednesday of this week. We remember all our young people who will be sitting their Junior Cert and Leaving Cert exams. A "Book of Intentions" where you are invited to write the names of those you wish to be remembered during these days is in front of the altar. You are invited to take one of the prayer cards and remember the intentions of all.

Prayer Before an Examination

Dear Lord, as I take this exam, I thank you that my value is not based on my performance, but on your great love for me. Come into my heart so that we can walk through this time together. Help me, not only with this test, but the many tests of life that are sure to come my way.

As I take this exam, bring back to my mind everything I studied and be gracious with what I have overlooked. Help me to remain focussed and calm, confident in the facts and in my ability, and firm in the knowledge that no matter what happens today you are there with me. Amen.

The Feast of the Sacred Heart /Pioneer Members

On the Feast of the Sacred Heart **June 16th**, we are honouring members of the Pioneer total abstinence association with Silver presentation pins and certificates. We invite any members who are eligible for Silver or Gold pins to contact the Parish office or Helen Keogh 087-9950492.



Corpus Christi Procession - June 8th

Each year the church celebrates the precious gift from Jesus to us of Himself - His Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity in the Blessed Eucharist. This special day is called the Feast of Corpus Christi - The Body of Christ. As far back as the 12th century Jesus has been honoured by this special feast Day. The beautiful practices of Adoration, Benediction and carrying the Blessed Sacrament in procession emerged as time went on. We intend to hold our annual Corpus Christi Procession in the grounds of St. Brendan's church and gardens on **Thursday June 8th @ 7.30pm**. All are invited to attend and join in the prayers and the singing. **A special cead míle fáilte is extended to all our First Communion and Confirmation children and their parents.** Please pray for a fine evening.

Sponsored by Carrig Cemetery Committee

Sr. Eileen - Cúinne

Mí an Chroí Rónaofa Íosa.

Is í Mí an Mheithimh, mí an Chroí Rónaofa Íosa. Is iad seo a leanas an dá ghealltanais dhéag a thug ár dTiarna Íosa Críost do Naomh Margaret Mary Alacoque sa bhliain 1670 dóibh siúd a thugann onóir don Chroí Rónaofa Íosa. Is as sin a d'fhás deabhóid an Chéid Aoine.

1. Tabharfaidh mé na grásta uile is gá dá ngairm bheatha.
2. Beidh síocháin ina dteaghlach.
3. Tabharfaidh mé sóchas dóibh ina dtrialacha.
4. Beidh mé ina ndéan dóibh i rith a saoil agus go háirithe ag uair a mbás.
5. Beannóidh mé a ngníomhaíochtaí uile.
6. Gheobhaidh peacaigh aigéan trócaire gan teorainn im 'chroí
7. Éireoidh anamacha patuar teasghrách.
8. Éireoidh daoine díograiseacha níos naofa agus thar cionn.
9. Beannóidh mé gach áit ina mbeidh íomhá de mo Chroí nochta agus onóir agus onóir á thabhairt dó.
10. Tabharfaidh mé cúnamh do na sagairt teagmháil a dhéanamh leis an gcroí is crua.
11. Déanfar ainmneacha na ndaoine a chuireann an deabhóid seo chur chun cinn scríofa i mo Chroí, go deo.
12. Geallaim duit, i n-iomarcach trócaire mo Chroí, go dtabharfaidh mé mo ghrá uilechumhachtach dóibh siúd a ghlacann Comaoineach Naofa ar an gcéad Aoine Chéad naoi mí as a chéile grásta na haithrí agus beidh na Sacraimintí ar fáil dóibh.

Sacred Heart of Jesus

June is the month of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Our Lord Jesus Christ made these twelve promises to those who honour His Sacred Heart, to St. Margaret Mary Alacoque in 1670. From this came the First Friday Devotions.

1. I will give them all the graces necessary for their state in life.
2. I will establish peace in their families.
3. I will comfort them in their trials.
4. I will be their secure refuge during life, and, above all, in death.
5. I will shed abundant blessings on all their undertakings
6. Sinners will find in My Heart an infinite ocean of mercy.
7. Lukewarm souls will become fervent.
8. Fervent souls will rapidly grow in holiness and perfection.
9. I will bless every place where an image of My Heart shall be exposed and honored.
10. I will give to priests the gift of touching the most hardened hearts.
11. The names of those who promote this devotion will be written in My Heart, never to be blotted out.
12. I promise thee, in the excessive mercy of My Heart, that My all-powerful love will grant to all those who receive Holy Communion on the First Friday of nine consecutive months. the grace of final penitence. They shall not die without receiving their Sacraments.