

BIRR PARISH

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Psalter Week 3

Baptism Candles now available from the Parish office

We acknowledge and thank parishioners for their generosity and support of the Parish. The amount donated week ending 10/11th June was **€1,381.00** to the Parish.

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.

Birr Library Events - Booking is Essential

Please contact 05791-24950
Alone Community Information Session.6.30-8pm on Wednesday, 14th June.

Summer Stars Reading Adventure at Birr Library

When 4 books are read- children are presented with two small prizes (a pencil and a pencil case)
 When 8 books are read- are presented with another prize and their certificate (a bag or a medal).
 Join the fun and sign up to the Summer Stars Reading Adventure at Birr Library today.

Arts and Crafts sessions will take place every Wednesday during the Summer months at 3.00pm starting with the launch of Summer Stars on Wednesday, June 14th

Lego Free Play will take place on Saturday, June 17th, July 15th and August 19th at Birr Library. All welcome.

Writing Group 10.45 - 12.45am every Wednesday.
Knitters Group 17.30-19.30pm every Wednesday.
Crafters Group 18.00-20.00pm every Wednesday.
Adult Book Club 14.30-15.30pm last Thursday of the Month

Remembered in Mass this Week

Sat 17th	10.00am	Paddy & Adrian Buckley Bridget Delaney
Sat 17th	7.30pm	Gemma Ely Sean & Frances Hogan, Burkes Hill Brendan Donoghue, McAuley Drive
Sun 18th	8.30am	Private Intentions
Sun 18th	9.30am	Private Intentions Carrig
Sun 18th	10.30am	Willie & Patricia Power, Oxmantown Mall & Fr. Jim Power Tom McInerney, Killeen Patrick & Marian McCarthy
Sun 18th	12noon	Gaetano (Nuchie) Lally, Fairview (MM)
Mon 19th	10.00am	Private Intentions
Tues 20th	10.00am	Private Intentions
Wed 21st	10.00am	Private Intentions
Thur 22nd	10.00am	Private Intentions
Fri 23rd	10.00am	Private Intentions
Sat 24th	10.00am	Private Intentions
Sat 24th	7.30pm	Brendan Currivan, Roscrea Road (1st Ann) Elizabeth & James Martin Alf Regan, Burkes Hill Sharon Guinan, Clonbrone Tom & Betty Lally, New Road
Sun 25th	8.30am	Private Intentions
Sun 25th	9.30am	Margaret (Dolly) White (1st Ann) & deceased family members
Sun 25th	10.30am	Sambo (Eamon) Kelly Mick (Dom) Egan Albert & Mary Kate Watkins Oisin Watkins Carroll Patrick Nevin Richard & Kathleen Grant Joe Scully, Fortal
Sun 25th	12noon	Kathleen Dowd, John King & PJ King & extended members of the King & O'Dowd family Mollie & Paul Kennedy, Moorpark Street

Please pray for the souls of
 Sr. Anne Hannon, Sisters of Mercy, Riverside Birr
 Paddy Kane, The Terrace Crinkill
 Andre Evgenievich, Ukraine, husband of Iulana, Emmett Street
 Austin Davern, Limerick City, brother of Ita Harding, Carrig
 Jim Parady, late of 17 the Terrace Crinkill & England brother of PJ Kelly, Sean & Michael Maher,
 Caroline Parady, Carmel Murphy, Elizabeth Rigney, Mary Nolan, Kathleen & Dolores Maher



Happy Father's Day



Father's Day Prayer

Lord, thank you for all fathers.
 For the new ones,
 who endure sleepless nights with infants in arms.
 For the busy ones,
 who juggle the pressures of home and family life.
 For the steadfast ones,
 who nurture and care
 for our special vulnerable children.
 For the patient ones,
 who always seek to forgive
 and engage with their pre-teens.
 For the persistent ones,
 who cleverly find new ways
 to connect with their mini-adults.
 For the father uncles,
 who step in to cradle and care
 for nieces and nephews.
 For all granddads,
 who love and support their precious grandchildren.
 For the foster dads
 that are called to gather and cover the fragile ones.
 For the Sunday dads
 who care for our children and lead them in faith.
 For the dads who give far beyond their own resources,
 who overcome disability to cherish and love.

Thank you Lord for all our beautiful fathers. Help us to support them and keep them in our prayers. May you bless them now on this their special day. Amen.

Cemetery Masses

Will Take place in Carrig on
 Friday 7th July and in Clonoghill
 on Wednesday 26th July.
 Masses on both evenings will
 begin at 7.30pm.

**Sponsored by Carrig Cemetery
 Committee**

Sr. Eileen - Cúinne

Machnamh

Leagann an Eaglais an-bhéim ar, go bhfuil Críost i láthair ina bhriathar, mar is é Críost a labhraíonn gach uair a léitear an scriptúr sa liotúirge. Tugann léacht an Bhíobla an sean agus an nua, an bhrí ba chiall leis céadair agus faoi mar is féidir leis sin a chur in oiriúint do thoscaí an lae inniu, nó fiú do cheisteanna fós atá le teacht. Ní theagmháil aigne, intleachtach lom amháin atá anseo, mar tá Críost i láthair lena Spiorad agus lena ghrásta. Agus, ar ndóigh, tá sé i láthair i modh faoi leith san Eocairist, i mbriseadh aaráin, gníomh a thugann chun cuimhne dúinn na bríonna iomadúla a bhí le briseadh an aráin d' Íosa féin, lena bheatha agus tar éis aiséirí dó.

Reflection

The Church places great emphasis on the presence of Christ in his word, as it is Christ who speaks every time scripture is read in the liturgy. The Bible readings bring together, the old and the new, the meaning it meant for the first time and how this can be adapted to today's circumstances, or even your questions are still to come. This is not just a touch of mind, a bare intellectual concept because Christ is present with his Spirit, and with his grace. And, of course, He is present in a particular method in the Eucharist, in the breaking of the bread, an act that reminds us of the many meanings of breaking the bread for Jesus himself with his life and after his resurrection.