

BIRR PARISH

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Psalter Week 2

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 1/2nd July was **€520 Peters Pence/Diocesan Needs & Parish Development Fund €1960.00.**

We acknowledge and thank people for their generosity to the July Priests Collection last weekend. If you were away or forgot you can place your envelope in the green box near the altar in St. Brendan's

Carrig Riverstown and Killeen Local History Group are currently editing their latest publication titled Smáointe. The book of black and white images from the local area is due to be published in the autumn. We would like to ask anyone who would have not yet submitted photos for the book to do so by contacting Tony Dargon before the 31st of July at 0872069342."

Carrig, Riverstown & Killeen Active Retirement are organising a trip to Westport 10th September - 15th September 2023 for more details contact Mary 087-1264925

Lourdes Pilgrimage 19th - 24th August - last few remaining seats please contact Phil if you wish to book 086-3956299

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

Birr Library Events - Booking is Essential Please contact 05791-24950

Shannon Bergin Exhibition - Her work will be on display in the library for the month of July, with a launch on Wednesday, 5th July at 18:30.

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, 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

Remembered in Mass this Week

Sat 8th	10.00am	Private Intentions
Sat 8th	7.30pm	James Ryan, Newbridge Street Christina & Tom Brereton, Clonoghill Kathleen Lowry, Military Road William Dwyer, Fivalealy Noel Cooney, Fairview & Birmingham
Sun 9th	8.30am	Private Intentions
Sun 9th Carrig	9.30am	Ciss & Jack Cashen
Sun 9th	10.30am	Michael Tuohy, Woodfield & all members of Tuohy & McInerney families William Egan, Cree & all deceased members of the family Ann & Kevin Madden, The Green
Sun 9th	12noon	Rev. Fr. Tony Cahir, Woodlands Park Christina (Diney) Lally, Fairview & her daughter Sophie Scully & Son Nuchie Lally
Mon 10th	10.00am	Private Intentions
Tues 11th	10.00am	Deceased Eucharistic Adorers Dolly & Alex O'Connor & brother Wilbur, Cooloney, Sligo
Wed 12th	10.00am	Private Intentions
Thur 13th	10.00am	Private Intentions
Fri 14th	10.00am	Private Intentions
Sat 15th	10.00am	Patrick & Michael Hutchinson & grandchildren
Sat 15th	7.30pm	Paddy Kane, The Terrace, Crinkill (MM)
Sun 16th	8.30am	Private Intentions
Sun 16th Carrig	9.30am	Pat Cleary, Clonfinane (1st Ann)
Sun 16th	10.30am	Eileen King, Woodlands Thomas Sheeran & the Sheeran family, William Street Johnny Cleary, Presentation Place
Sun 16th	12noon	Tony Butler, Moorpark Street (1st Ann) Michael & Margaret Kearns, Townsend House, Birr Cora Kenny, Brendan Street

Please pray for the souls of

Bernie Colclough, Roscrea brother of the late John Colclough & brother in law of Frances, Syngefield
Chrissie Cannon, Australia, sister of Carmel Connolly, Burkes Hill, Margie Carey, Barncourt & Olive Duncan, Tullamore



"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"

World Youth Day 2023

From July 31st - August 8th 800,000 young people from 197 countries will gather in Lisbon for the largest youth event in the world. Fr. Antony and 7 young people from the Brendan cluster of parishes will be part of this event.

World Youth Day Prayer

Our Lady of the Visitation, you who left in haste towards the mountain to meet Elizabeth, Lead us also to meet all those who await us to deliver them the living Gospel: Jesus Christ, your Son and our Lord! We will go in a hurry, with no distraction or delay, but with readiness and joy. We will go peacefully, because those who take Christ take peace.

Our Lady of the Visitation, with your inspiration, this World Youth Day will be the great celebration of the Christ we take, as You once did. Make it a time of testimony, sharing, and giving thanks, each of us looking for the others who always wait. With you, we will continue on this path of gathering, so that our world will gather as well, in love, justice and peace.

Help us, Our Lady of the Visitation, to bring Christ to everyone, obeying the Father, in the love of the Spirit!

The Annual Pioneer Pilgrimage to Knock will take place next Sunday 16 July. Mass at 3pm with Anointing of the Sick beforehand at 2:30pm. Newsletters & Emblems available at PTAA stand in St John's Rest & Care Centre or via www.pioneers.ie

Annual Concelebrated Mass of St. Feichin. Mass will be concelebrated in St. Feichin's Cemetery, Lackan in Abbey parish on Sunday July 16th at 7pm. Covered seating is available. A cup of tea for all after Mass. Everybody is welcome. Those attending the Mass should go to Portumna and then on to the village of Abbey and follow the direction signs.

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 scríoptúr sa liotúirge. Tugann léacht an Bhíobla an sean agus an nua, an bhrí ba chiall leis céadúair 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 an aráin, 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.

Cemetery Mass

Will Take place in Clonoghill on Wednesday 26th July.
 Mass will begin at 7.30pm.

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