

## BIRR PARISH

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### Parish Office Opening Hours

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

### Clergy of Brendan Cluster

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### Psalter Week 2

We acknowledge and thank parishioners for their generosity and support of the Parish. The amount donated week ending 30/1st October was €2,428.00

Daily Adoration in Adoration Chapel Tuesday to Friday from 10.30-12noon.

### New Readers Rota

The new rota is available behind the altar. Readers are asked to please collect their copy. Thank you for your continued great service to the Ministry of the Word, in St. Brendan's Church.

Tractor Run - Tractor & vintage car run in Lorrha October 8th starting at 1.30pm in aid of MILFORD HOSPICE & LAURA LYNN Auction and raffle on the day Phone: ANN 087 9625218 MADELEINE 087 1651826

### Birr Library Events

#### Positive Aging Week 2023, Coffee Morning

As part of Positive Aging Week 2023, Birr Library will be hosting a Coffee Morning on Tues 3rd Oct at 10:30am. All are very welcome to attend!

Chair Yoga Birr Library will be hosting Chair Yoga on Wed 4th Oct at 12:00 noon. This event is free, but places are limited Please contact 057 91 24950 to secure your spot."

Birr Flower & Garden Club meeting on Tuesday 3rd Oct @ 8pm in Dooley's Hotel. We welcome Hester Ford from Cork, who will talk on planting bulbs & pots now for your spring garden. All welcome non-members €7

The Rosary will be recited in the Church of Annunciation, Carrig before 9.30am Mass for the Month of October.

Legion of Mary invites new members can you spare one hour a week to meet and pray the rosary & legion prayers please contact 086-3490833 meet every Tuesday evening @ 5.30 in the sacristy Kinnitty church

Offaly Older Persons Network present a 'Rambling House' event, an evening of songs, stories and fun. Tullamore Rugby Club, Thursday 5th Oct @ 7.30p.m. Tickets 10euro available on the door

## Remembered in Mass this Week

Sat 30th	10.00am	Private Intentions
Sat 30th	7.30pm	Brenda Deegan & Sons Michael & Damien, Military Rd, Crinkill Móna Collins & Deceased members of the Collins Family Paddy Wall, Mill Street
Sun 1st Oct	8.30am	Private Intentions
Sun 1st Carrig	9.30am	James Hoctor, Pallas, Carrig
Sun 1st	10.30am	Bridget & John Hutchinson Winifred Murphy Brien Family, Birr & Burke's Hill
Sun 1st	12noon	Tom Hutchinson, High Street James & Annie Kearns, Military Road & New York Maura, Eamon & John Garahy, Woodlands Park
Mon 2nd	10.00am	Private Intentions
Tues 3rd	10.00am	Maura Girvin, Bulfin Park (1st Ann) & her husband John
Wed 4th	10.00am	Tom McInerney, Killeen Riverstown
Thurs 5th	10.00am	Private Intentions
Fri 6th	10.00am	Private Intentions
Sat 7th	10.00am	Christy Parsons, Crinkill
Sat 7th	7.30pm	Mai Snow, Compton Row Gerry Donoghue, St. Brendan's Villas
Sun 8th	8.30am	Private Intentions
Sun 8th Carrig	9.30am	Private Intentions
Sun 8th	10.30am	Patrick Fitzgerald, Hillside
Sun 8th	12noon	Tom Talbot & Annie Donnelly Michael Loughnane, Castletown Fortal

### Please pray for the souls of

Tom Porter, Riverstown & Roscrea Road  
Eddie Enright, Ormond House, Birr  
Jim Flynn, Chapel Lane  
Kay Perry, Belmont, sister of Tommy Moody, Glebe Street



*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"*

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## Birr Review

This year's Birr Review is currently being finalised. If you would like to have a picture of a parishioner who has passed away since 1 November 2022 included, please send it and accompanying details to birrreview@gmail.com. Similarly, for parishioners who have been married or celebrated their 20th, 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th or 60th wedding anniversary since 1 November 2022, please send all pictures and accompanying details to: birrreview@gmail.com.

### Harvest Thanksgiving

7th & 8th October we celebrate the Harvest.



### Reflection at Harvest Time

In the fading of the Summer sun, the shortening of days, cooler breeze swallow's tail and moonlight rays. We see the Creator's Hand.

In the browning of leaves once green, morning mists, Autumn's chill, fruit that falls, frosts first kiss. We see the Creator's Hand.

We bless you God of seed and Harvest, and we bless each other so that the beauty of this world and the love that created it might be expressed through our lives, and be a blessing to others Now and Forever. Amen

### Blessing of the Animals

On Wednesday next October 4th after 10am Mass on the Church grounds. The Feast day of St. Francis of Assisi Patron Saint of Animals. People are invited to bring their pet animals for blessing.

Coffee Morning will be held Thursday 5th October from 10-12noon in the conference room in St. Brendan's Church in aid of Don Bosco Delft Skills Training Centre & Street Wise in conjunction with the October 2023 Project Delft South Africa where volunteers from Birr and surrounding areas will be traveling to Delft this month to facilitate the building of a community centre. Your donations will help immensely with this charity. For more information visit Street Wise Buildings on Facebook.

Bridge Lessons in Ballyegan Hall commencing on Wednesday 4th Oct. @ 8pm contact 086 8363566

## Sr. Eileen - Cúinne

### Paidreacha

Rinne an tAthair Diarmuid Ó Laoghaire S J cnuasach de chúpla míle paidir a bhí ag dul ó bhéal go béal ag ár sinsir ina leabhar Ár bPaidreacha Dúchais. Foilsíodh é sa bhliain 1975. Tá na paidreacha bainteach le gach gné de shaol an duine ó éirí ar maidin go dul a chodladh istoíche, ina measc, an t-altú roimh agus tar éis bia, ag dul chuig an Aifreann, ag lasadh agus ag múchadh an tsolais, ag cur an linbh a chodladh, ag lasadh na tine, ag déanamh aráin, paidreacha ar son athar agus máthar, an paidrín páirteach agus a lán eile nach iad. Tá an-saibhreas urnaí ag baint leis na paidreacha seo a chothaíonn gaol an duine le Dia. Léiríonn siad go héifeachtach chomh tugtha do Dhia a bhí ár sinsir. Seo samplaí ón Ár bPaidreacha Dúchais.

### Prayer

Father Diarmuid Ó Laoghaire SJ made a collection of more than two thousand prayers which were passed down orally by our ancestors in his book it was published in 1975. The prayers are associated with every aspect of human life from rising in the morning to going to bed at night, among them, grace before and after meals, going to Mass, lighting and quenching the light, putting the child to sleep, lighting the fire, making bread, prayers for father and mother, the rosary and many others. These prayers are very rich and foster a relationship with God. They show effectively how our ancestors lived in the presence of God. Above are some examples.

### Beannacht ar thí nua.

Dia, beannaigh an teach seo, Ó shuíomh go stagh, O chrann go balla, Ó cheann go ceann, Ó bhuaic go híoslach, Ó bhalc go díon, Ó bhonn go barr. Áiméan.

### Blessing of New Home

God bless this house from Site to stay  
From beam to wall, from end to end  
From riddge to basement, from baulk to roof  
From foundation to rooftop

### Nuair a bhíonn briseadh ar d'fhoighne.

Solas na soilse, ,  
Agus radharc na Tríonóide,  
Agus grásta na foighne,  
In aghaidh na héagóra. Áiméan.

### For Patience

Enlightenment of God  
Eyes of the Trinity,  
Grace of patience, Against injustice. Amen.