

BIRR PARISH

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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 23rd/24th September was **€2,239**

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

Mercy Primary School - Our School Lotto Fundraiser www.ourfundraiser.ie/org/mercypsbirr. Your support makes a real Difference. Jackpot increases every week plus a weekly prize. Sign up today.

Carrig Tidy Towns Group – Jumble Sale – Sunday 1st October 10.00 a.m. to 1 p.m. Carrig Community Hall Carrig Tidy Towns Group would like to invite you to join us at our Jumble Sale on 1st October next. We are appealing for any of the following, clean clothes only, accessories such as ladies' handbags, scarfs, jewellery etc., sports equipment, toys, books, CD's, games, craft materials, kitchen and household goods. The 'collection point' for donations will be Carrig Community Hall on 30th September between 12.00 p.m. and 4.30 p.m. (Telephone Anne 087/0515295) Any profits from the event will be directed into our work in the village.

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 Tuesday 3rd October at 10:30am. All are very welcome to attend!

Chair Yoga As part of Positive Aging Week 2023, Birr Library will be hosting Chair Yoga on Wednesday 4th October at 12:00 noon. This event is free, but places are limited and are likely to fill up quickly! Please contact 057 91 24950 or birrlibrary@offalycoco.ie to secure your spot."

Remembered in Mass this Week

Sat 23rd	10.00am	Private Intentions
Sat 23rd	7.30pm	Kay Donoghue, McAuley Drive (MM) & her son Jimmy Donoghue Laura Smith, Seffin (1st Ann) Chrissie Spain, Church Street (1st Ann) Eamon Pardy, Ashbrook Drive Sheila Jennings, Grove Street Frankie Hanlon
Sun 24th	8.30am	Private Intentions
Sun 24th	9.30am	Nell Doorley, Loughkeen Deceased members of the Quinn Family, Lacka
Sun 24th	10.30am	Patrick O'Meara Margaret Merritt & O'Doherty Family Mary Neilan, Springfield & husband John Gerry Garahy, Mile Tree
Sun 24th	12noon	Phil Murphy (MM) & her husband Cyril Rachel Spain, Corr Na Meala Patrick O'Gorman & the O'Gorman Family Josephine & Ted Nealon Philomena McNamara, Elmgrove
Mon 25th	10.00am	Private Intentions
Tues 26th	10.00am	Private Intentions
Wed 27th	10.00am	Paddy Wall Irene O'Leary, High Street
Thurs 28th	10.00am	Private Intentions
Fri 29th	10.00am	Private Intentions
Sat 30th	10.00am	Mona Collins & deceased members of the Collins Family
Sat 30th	7.30pm	Brenda Deegan & her sons Michael & Damien, Military Road, Crinkill
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

Please pray for the souls of

Susan Whelahan, Park Rise
Ann O'Meara, Wilmer Road
John Curley, Burke's Hill
Terence Guinan, Grove Street, Crinkill
Pat Doorley, Portlaoise, & Shinrone, Brother of the late Frank Doorley, Hillside
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"



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.

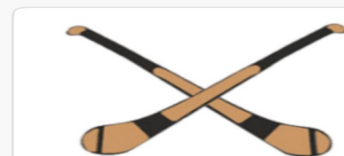


Reflection at Harvest Time

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



Comhghairdas/Congratulations

to Carrig & Riverstown Hurlers on their wonderful win in the Intermediate County Final last Saturday. We acknowledge the huge work of their trainers & mentors in their success

Sr. Eileen - Cúinne

Lá Fhéile Muire na Trócaire 2023

Ceiliúrfar Lá Fhéile Muire na Trócaire inniu an 24 Meán Fómhair. Lá mór comóraidh is ea é do Shiúracha na Trócaire in Éirinn agus ar fud an domhain. Guímis ar a son agus iad ag saothrú agus ag moladh Dé lá i ndiaidh lae. Guímis freisin ar son a gcomhpháirtithe agus aon duine a bhí bainteach riamh le Siúracha na Trócaire. *Go raibh siad dílis dá ngairm. Go raibh an neart, an t-eolas agus an grásta ó Dhia acu iad siúd atá faoina gcúram a threorú mar is ceart agus is cóir. Aiméan*
A Mhaighdean ghlórmhar, a Mháthair Dé,
A bhean ab uaisle de gach cine
Is atá diongbháilte i ngach moladh,
Déan idirghuí ar ár son
I bhfianaise do Mhic ghrámhar féin,
Le súil go bhfaighimis an ghlóir shíoraí i d'aice. Aiméan

Feast of Our Lady of Mercy 2023

The Feast of Our Lady of Mercy will be celebrated today 24 September. It is a great day of commemoration for the Sisters of Mercy in Ireland and around the world. We pray for them as they work and praise God day after day. We also pray for their partners and anyone ever involved with the Sisters of Mercy.

That they were loyal to their profession.
That they had the strength, knowledge and grace from God to guide those in their care properly and properly. Amen
Glorious Virgin, Mother of God,
Dear lady of all races
It is resolute in every suggestion,
Intercede on our behalf
In the light of your own loving Son,
In the hope that we might find the eternal glory near you. Amen

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