

BIRR PARISH

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Psalter Week 3

Parish Finances

We acknowledge and thank parishioners for their generosity and support of the Parish. The amount donated week ending 28/29th October was **€2,361.00**

Tap & Donate

The Tap & Donate facility has generated nearly almost €4,000 to Parish funds our thanks to all who avail of this method of supporting Parish

Tax Back Scheme

All who donate €250 or above and pay tax can avail of a tax back refund for the parish by signing the CHY3 form available from the Parish office you may signed up previously and it may need to be updated

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

Midland Living Links supporting those bereaved by suicide. Coffee Morning 7th November, Conference room in St. Brendan's Church after 10.00 a.m. mass. All welcome.

Birr Flower & Garden Club - Meeting 7th November in Dooly's Hotel @ 8pm. Speaker Rosie Maye on containers and pots for Spring Garden. **All Welcome.** Non members €7.00

Carrig/Riverstown & Killeen Active Retirement group are back in the Community Hall Wednesday's from 2.30pm - 4.30pm. New members welcome

Carrig/Riverstown/Killeen Local History Group launched their book **SMAOINTE** – 466 pages of photographs from the communities of Carrig/Riverstown/Killeen - they are available to buy from **Carrig Village Store, Parish Office Birr, Supervalu, Mulrooney's and from any members of the Committee.**

Christmas Market in Carrig Hall

Carrig and Riverstown Development Association will welcome everybody to their Christmas Market in the Community Hall in Carrig village on Saturday 25th November 2023 from 11am to 4pm. There will be a wide variety of hand made crafts, foods, chocolates, etc. With 27 stalls there will be something for everybody! A great chance to grab some early Christmas presents.

Remembered in Mass this Week

Sat 4th	10.00am	Margaret Kenny, Burkes Hill
Sat 4th	7.30pm	Vincent Touhey, Drumbane (MM) Eddie Enright, Ormond House (MM) Martin, Nellie & Michael Ryan, High Street Adrian Cahill, Bulfin Park Michael Hehir Anthony & Bridget McLoughlin & deceased members of the McLoughlin family, Eden Road & grandson Peter Hynes Margaret O'Connor & the late O'Connor Family, Main Street
Sun 5th	8.30am	Private Intentions
Sun 5th	9.30am	Sinead O'Brien, Riverstown The Byrne Family, Carrig Mullaney Family, Sligo
Sun 5th	10.30am	Joe & Kathleen Gallagher, Syngfield Tom Milne, London Ellen Birmingham, Eden Road
Sun 5th	12noon	Bridget Hutchinson (MM) Mary Spillane, Teddy & Peggy Spillane
Mon 6th	10.00am	Private Intentions
Tues 7th	10.00am	Private Intentions
Wed 8th	10.00am	Private Intentions
Thurs 9th	10.00am	Private Intentions
Fri 10th	10.00am	Frank Tuohy, Drumbane
Sat 11th	10.00am	Remembrance Mass
Sat 11th	7.30pm	Peter & Judy Plunkett Alan Regan & Roger Lavender, High Street Willie & Mae Coughlan & the Coughlan Family, Pound Street Enda Cooke her daughter Geraldine & granddaughter Natalie
Sun 12th	8.30am	Private Intentions
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Sun 12th	10.30am	Fintan McManus Gloria Hansbury Thomas & Mary Cox Paddy & Sheila Slattery, Newtown Nenagh Joe Feehan, Woodlands Sr. Roberta Delaney, Birr Convent
Sun 12th	12noon	Sr. Mary Simeone Pilkington (MM) Ena Loughnane, Whiteford (1st Ann) Billy & Phyl Murphy Liam & Joan McGlone Michael Quinn, Croghan Sr. Roberta Delaney, Birr Convent

Please pray for the souls of
Peadar O' Meara, Newhall, Sharavogue, Birr



The Three Tenors



**Live at St. Brendan's Church,
Birr @ 8pm Sunday 19th
November 2023 with a
special Performance from
Mercy Primary School Birr
Choir. Tickets available from
Parish office & Dooly's Hotel
@ €30p.p.**

Proceeds Parish Maintenance Funds.

November - Month of Remembering



**Annual Mass of Remembrance
Saturday 11th Nov at 10.00 a.m.
remembering all who have died in our
Parish during the past year.**

**Blessing of the Graveyards
Carrig - Nov 5th After 9.30am Mass
Clonohill - Nov 5th @ 2.30pm**

**Mass of Remembrance for the
Deceased Residents of
Birr Nursing Unit
Nov 21st @ 7.30 p.m. St Brendan's**

All Saints

I Know a lot of saints, I do! So let me mention just a few: I know someone who runs a team and teaches kids to play and dream, who stands in the cold and wind and rain on days they play and nights they train; someone who's there when we are sad, the best and gentlest friend we've had, someone who says, 'just do your best', when I am scared to take a test; a friend who takes the time to show how things were done so long ago; a teacher who just always knows where that comma always goes; and others who are kind and good, who try to act as Jesus would, who show God's love in all they do. I know a lot of saints, don't you?

Christy Kenneally

Sr. Eileen - Cúinne

Mí na Samhna

Cuireadh tús le mí na Samhna ar an gCéadaoin seo caite. Táimid ag druidim le deireadh na bliana. Ba é lá Samhna an chéad lá den Bhliain Nua ag ár sinsir na Ceiltigh, Ceiliúramid Lá Fhéile na Naomh Uile ar an lá seo. Ceiliúradh bua atá inti go bhfuil ceann scríbe sroichte ag ár muintir go léir atá imithe romhainn. Déanamid gairdeas leis na milliúin atá imithe ar neamh, roinnt mhaith díobh aitheanta ach na milliúin eile nach bhfuil. Mar is eol dúinn ón chéad leabhar an Apacailipsis "is iad an dream atá gafa tríd an duainéis mhór; nigh agus gheal siad a n-éide i bhfuil an Uain." (Apacailipsis 7:14). Chosain siad agus d'fhógair siad an soiscéal i rith a saoil. Tá siad i bhfochair Dé anois ag guí ar ár son. Naoimh Dé, tar i gcabhair orainn. Naoimh Dé, bí linn i gcónaí. Naoimh Dé, tabhair dúinn do ghrá. Áiméan. Bíonn an Eaglais de shíor ag guí ar son na marbh agus tá an dara lá de Shamhain ceaptha aici d'anamacha na marbh go mór, mór dóibh siúd nach bhfuil duine ná deoraí fágtha acu ar an saol seo chun guí ar a son. Is féidir linn an phaidir seo a leanas a rá ar son ár muintir uile atá imithe romhainn ar shlí na fírinne. Suaimhneas siorraí tabhair dóibh a Thiarna agus go lonra orthu an solas buanmharthanach. Áiméan.

The Month of November

Last Wednesday was the first of November. The year is coming to an end. It was the beginning of the Celtic year. November 1 is All Saint's Day. It is a victorious celebration as our kinsfolk have reached their goal. We rejoice with the millions who have gone before us to heaven. Some are recognised saints and many others who are not. As we know from the first book of the Apocalypse "These are they who came through the great testing, and their robes have been washed and made white in the blood of the Lamb" (Apocalypse 7: 14). They defended and proclaimed the gospel during their lives. They are now in the presence of God praying for us. Naoimh Dé, tar i gcabhair orainn. Naoimh Dé, bí linn i gcónaí. Naoimh Dé, tabhair dúinn do ghrá. Áiméan. The Church always prays for the Dead. The second of November is devoted to the faithful departed, especially those who have nobody to pray for them. We can say the following prayer for our ancestors and for all those who have gone before us to eternal life. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord and may perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen

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