## **BIRR PARISH**

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### **Psalter Week 1**

### **Parish Finances**

We acknowledge and thank parishioners for their generosity and support of the Parish. The amounted donated week ending 11/12th November was €2,109.00.

### **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.

Carrig Riverstown & Killeen Drama Group is delighted to announce that on the 1st 2nd and 3rd of December 2023 they will perform Ray Cooney's 'Out of Order' at Carrig and Riverstown Community Hall. This hilarious comedy, directed by Brendan Hanamy promises to be another great production. Tickets are now on sale for €10 and are available by contacting 089 4042517.

### 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.

**The Rosary** will be recited in Carrig Cemetery on Sunday 26th Nov at 2,30pm. All Welcome.

### Mary's Meals Christmas Gifts Campaign

With the cost of living crisis, times are that bit harder for us all. The Global School Feeding Movement Mary's Meals have launched our Christmas Gifts Campaign - giving gifts that have a real and tangible impact on those in need. From as little as €5.50, which will provide 50 meals for children in their place of education, we can play our part in changing the lives of those most in need. Visit marysmeals.ie to download a gift today or call 01-8535163/089-4339592.

## Remembered in Mass this Week

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Sat 18th	10.00am	May Tierney, Ely Place (MM) Paddy & Ellen Mellsop, Mill Street Pauline, Hazel & Ben Mellsop James Odlum, New Road & his parents Michael & Lily & sisters Margaret & Lena
Sat 18th	7.30pm	Denis Parkinson, The Terrace Lizzy Kelly, Presentation Place Margaret Roe, Woodlands Park Tommy Doherty, The Terrace, Crinkill Kevin Abbott, Scurragh Seamus Davis, Hillside Terry & George Lynskey, High Street
Sun 19th	8.30am	Private Intentions
Sun 19th Carrig	9.30am	Private Intentions
Sun 19th	10.30am	Jack & Mary Scully, Fortal
Sun 19th	12noon	Kieran Kelly, Riveroaks (1st Ann) Mary Camon, Bulfin Park (1st Ann) Michael Purcell, Roscrea Road John Gilmartin, John's Mall Catherine McGilton, Cappaneale Jim Fogarty, Roscrea Road Paddy O' Neill, New Road Alice O'Keeffe, Arklow
Mon 20th	10.00am	Patrick Hutchinson, Banagher Road Tom McInerney, Killeen & deceased members of the Mc Inerney, Doyle, Tuohey, McCarthy, Wall & O'Donoghue families Winnifred Shields & husband Paul
Tues 21st	10.00am	Austin O'Reilly & Minnock Family
Tues 21st	7.30pm	Remembrance Mass BCNU
Wed 22nd	10.00am	Private Intentions
Thurs 23rd	10.00am	John Murdon, Connaught Street
Fri 24th	10.00am	Private Intentions
Sat 25th	10.00am	Joe & Phil Shortt, Bulfin Pak & Annie Shortt, Killeen
Sat 25th	7.30pm	Bessie Loughnane, Woodlands Joe Daly, Clonkelly Sheila Murdock Presentation Place & her dad Bill Dwyer Eddie Coughlan & his parents Teresa & Paddy Coughlan & William The O'Meara Family Clonkelly & the Mahon Family, Grove Street
Sun 26th	8.30am	Private Intentions
Sun 26th Carrig	9.30am	Private Intentions
Sun 26th	10.30am	Michael & Agnes Parkinson & son Cronan, The Crescent Annie & Paddy Mannion, Clonoghill Bobby Sheils, Whiteford Bernie Sheeran, William Street Jack & Peggy Mc Donagh, Dublin
Sun 26th	12 noon	Mary Burke, Burke's Hill (1st Ann) Frank, Josephine & Dolores Higgins Joe & Delia Barry & sons Oliver Craughwell, his parents &

sisters

# The Three Tenors

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

## **Sacramental Masses**

We welcome the children from **St. Brendan's P.S**. who will be participating in 7.30pm Mass,

Carrig N.S. who will be participating in 9.30am
Mass and Killeen N.S. and

Parish Preparation Programme who will be participating in 10.30am Mass

# **Birr Nursing Unit**

Mass of Remembrance for the Deceased Residents of Birr Nursing Unit This Tuesday @ 7.30 p.m. St Brendan's

## A Prayer of Remembrance

God, thank you for the special people in our lives whom we are remembering in a special way during the month of November.

We thank you for being a compassionate God who walks with us in the our dark moments of grief and loneliness.

We are thankful for all who continue to love and support us through our grief. Lord, continue to be a light for us, giving us hope, direction and courage.

May we now live our lives treasuring the memories of those special people we have known and loved and help us to bring light and hope to others.

We make this prayer through Christ our Lord, Amen.

Please pray for the souls of

**Paul Ryan,** New Zealand, son of Evelyn Cleary Ryan, London & formerly Clonfinane, Carrig



# Sr. Eileen - Cúinne

### Lá Domhanda na mBocht.

Inniu Lá Domhanda na mBocht. D'fhógair an Pápa Proinsias an Domhnach áirithe seo tiomanta do na boicht sa bhliain 2016, ag deireadh Bliain na Trócaire. I mbliana is é an téama atá tugtha dúinn ag an bPápa ná "ná breathnaigh ar na boicht". Laghdaíonn trócaire an bhochtaineacht agus méadaíonn sí an dóchas sa duine. Is é Íosa Críost féin atá linn sa duine bocht. "Bhí ocras orm agus thug sibh rud le hithe dom" (Matha 25: 35). Dúirt Naomh Uinsionn de Pól "is íad na boicht ár máistrí. Is iad Críost féin inár measc". Ar an Domhnach seo b'fhiú dúinn machnamh ar Phríomhoibreacha na Trócaire seo a leanas.

Bia a thabhairt don ocrach.

Deoch a thabhairt don tartmhar.
Éadach a thabhairt don nocht.

Dul ag fiosrú na ndaoine atá i

mbraighdeanas.

Óstaíocht a thabhairt don deoraí.

Dul ag fiosrú na n-easlán.

Adhlacadh na marbh.

# **World Day of the Poor**

Today is World Day of the Poor. Pope Francis announced at the end of the Year of Mercy 2016 that this particular Sunday be devoted to the Poor. The theme given to us by the Pope this year is "Do not look away from the poor".

Mercy reduces poverty and increases hope. Saint Vincent de Paul said "The poor are our masters. Christ himself is among us". On this Sunday we can reflect on the Corporal Works of Mercy:

To feed the hungry.
To give water to the thirsty.
To clothe the naked.
To shelter the homeless.
To visit the sick.
To visit the imprisoned.
To bury the dead.

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