

BIRR PARISH

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Parish Finances

We acknowledge and thank parishioners for their generosity and support of the Parish. The amount donated week ending 10/11th February was **€2,615.00**

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

Direct Debit

If people wish, they can do so by lodging directly to the parish bank account.

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Stations of the Cross every Wednesday after 10am Mass

The Rosary will be recited on Sunday mornings in the **Church of the Annunciation Carrig** during lent @ 9am.

Temporary Pledge for Lent - People interested in taking the temporary pledge for Lent please contact the Parish Office

Last 3 nights of cookery course in Carrig Hall Wednesday 21st, 28th February & 6th March from 7-9pm. All welcome

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.

Regular Events at Birr Library

Writing Group 2-4pm every Wednesday.
 Knitters Group 5.30-7.30 every Wednesday.
 Crafters Group 6-8pm every Wednesday.
 Tiny Tales Storytime Session 10.30am every Wednesday for up to 4 years of age.
 Parent & Toddler Group 11.00am-12.00pm every Friday. For further information on any events, contact Birr Library on 0579124950

Sponsored by Anonymous

Remembered in Mass this Week

Sat 17th	10.00am	Private Intentions
Sat 17th	7.30pm	Eoin Eastwood, Crinkle and his grandparents Jack & Bina Walsh Paddy & Margaret Kelly, Moorpark Street Louise O' Halloran, Fairview & Harrow Carmel & Joseph O' Hare Patrick & Mary P. Flynn Lily & Ranger Kelly, Pound Street Moira, Johnny, Harry & Larry Ryan Nancy Bowe, Cloughjordan
Sun 18th	8.30am	Private Intentions
Sun 18th Carrig	9.30am	Bernadette Turner, Carrig (MM) Mary King, Killeen James, Mary Kate, Patrick & Kenneth Murphy
Sun 18th	10.30am	Mary Harty, Rath Michael Parnell, Killeen & his parents Mary & Edward
Sun 18th	12noon	Jimmy Hogan, Green Street Michael de Forge, Moorpark Street & Deceased members of the de Forge Family George Boyd
Mon 19th	10.00am	Maura & Jimmy Hayes, Townsend Street & deceased family members
Tues 20th	10.00am	Michael Halvey, Woodlands Park Deceased members of the Halvey & Leonard families
Wed 21st	10.00am	Private Intentions
Thurs 22nd	10.00am	Private Intentions
Fri 23rd	10.00am	Private Intentions
Sat 24th	10.00am	Bridget & James Flynn George Flynn & Family Carroll Family, Seffin
Sat 24th	7.30pm	Tom Nestor, River Oaks, Riverstown (MM) Joe Long, Cornmarket Street Lisa Guilfoyle, Riverstown Michael Molloy, Meadowcourt Brian Molloy, Bolivea, Meath
Sun 25th	8.30am	Private Intentions
Sun 25th Carrig	9.30am	Private Intentions
Sun 25th	10.30am	Michael & Nellie Whelan & Son Michael Mary Guinan, Newbridge Street Margaret & Johnny Guinan, Clonbrone Guinan & Mitchell Families
Sun 25th	12 noon	Brendan O' Dwyer, Cappaneale & his parents Betty & Tom O' Dwyer John Murdock, Presentation Place & his sister in law Catherine Campbell John Pilkington, Syngefield



Sacramental Masses

We welcome the children from **Mercy P.S.** who will be participating in 7.30pm Mass, & **Crinkill N.S.** who will be participating in 10.30am Mass.



Birr Theatre & Arts Centre welcome **Ken O' Sullivan** and his show **Into The Deep**. Showing videos and giving insight and backstories into what it's like trying to navigate this vast ocean and film some of the largest animals ever to have lived. Fri 23 Feb, 8pm. **Shaskeen**, happy custodians of Irish Music for half a century, come back to Birr! Contemporary traditional Irish music its best. Sat 24 Feb 8pm.

www.birrtheatre.com

Do you want to Fast this Lent?

In the words of Pope Francis

Fast from hurting words ... and say kind words,
Fast from sadness ... and be filled with gratitude,
Fast from anger ... and be filled with patience,
Fast from pessimism ... and be filled with hope,
Fast from worries ... and have trust in God,
Fast from complaints ... and contemplate simplicity,
Fast from pressures ... and be prayerful,
Fast from bitterness ... and fill your hearts with joy,
Fast from selfishness ... and be compassionate to others,
Fast from grudges ... and be reconciled,
Fast from words ... and be silent so you can listen!

Please pray for the souls of

Dan Shortt, Fairview
Patty O' Grady, Cloncon, Killeigh, mother of Joan Horan, Syngefield Road



Sr. Eileen - Cúinne

Some of the prayers and wisdom from Diarmuid Ó Laoghaire, S.J

Ag dul ar aistear

*Dia idir mé agus uisce mo bháite,
 Dia idir mé agus tine mo dhóite,
 Dia idir mé agus bás gan chairde,
 Dia idir mé agus taisme bóthair.*

Going on a journey.

God between me and drowning,
 God between me and fire.
 God may I not die in debt,
 God between me and the road accident.

D'Aingeal Coimhdeachta

*Aingeal aoibhinn, aingeal Dé,
 Cabhraigh liom ar feadh an lae.
 Bí le m'ais go síoraí dlúth
 Is ná lig don diabhal mé a chur amú. Áiméan.*

Prayer to your Angel Guardian

Beautiful Angel of God
 Help me throughout the day
 Be by my side
 Saving me from the power of the devil. Amen

Paidir agus duine ag cur tús le hobair ar bith.

Iarraimid Ort, a Thiarna, d'anáil naofa a chur fúinn chun sinn a stiúradh inár ngníomhartha agus neart do ghrásta a bhronnadh orainn chun iad a thabhairt chun críche, ionas gur uaitse a thosófar ár n-uile bhriathar agus ár n-uile ghníomh feasta, agus gur tríot a chríochnófar iad; trí Chríost ár dTiarna. Áiméan.

Prayer before work

Direct, O Lord, we beseech you, all our actions by your holy inspirations, and carry them on by your gracious assistance, that every prayer and work of ours may begin always from you, and by you be happily ended. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Ainm Íosa

*GO raibh ainm milis Íosa
 Go taitneamhach scríofa
 Ar lár mo chroíse
 A Mhuire, a Mháthair Íosa
 Go raibh Íosa agamsa
 Agus mise ag Íosa
 Ceangal grá eadrainn
 Gan scaoileadh
 Áiméan, a Íosa
 Go brách is choíche. Áiméan*

The Name of Jesus

May the sweet name of Jesus
 Be in radiant letters
 In my heart, deep down
 Mary, may Jesus
 And I together
 Be each other's own
 A love between us
 That nothing will sever
 Amen Jesus forever and ever. Amen