

## 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 amount donated week ending 25/26th May was **€2580**

#### Lough Derg - 3 day pilgrimage June 24/25/26.

Bus leaving from Emmett Square if interested please contact the parish office 05791-22028

#### Pilgrimage to Medjugorje July 17th - 24th.

Fully escorted Trip €745 inclusive of breakfast and dinner. Deposit of €200 spiritual Director Fr. Tom Hannon. To reserve please contact Phil Robinson 086-3956299

**Midland Living Links** supporting those bereaved by suicide. Coffee Morning 4th June, Conference room in St. Brendan's Church after 10.00 a.m. mass. All welcome.

**Busy Bodies Summer camp** - Busy Bodies Summer Camp takes place in Killeen National School starting July 1st for 3 weeks. Age 3 to 10 years from 9.30am till 3pm. For more information please contact Ann on 087-9625218

### Trees

I think that I shall never see  
 A poem lovely as a tree.

A tree whose hungry mouth is prest  
 Against the earth's sweet flowing breast;

A tree that looks at God all day,  
 And lifts her leafy arms to pray;

A tree that may in Summer wear  
 A nest of robins in her hair;

Upon whose bosom snow has lain;  
 Who intimately lives with rain.

Poems are made by fools like me,  
*But only God can make a tree.*

*Joyce Kilmer*

**Sponsored by Padre Pio  
 Prayer Group**

## Remembered in Mass this Week

Sat 1st	10am	<b>Martin Carroll, Bulfin Park (1st Ann)</b> <b>Fred Hollywood, The Terrace, Crinkle (1st Ann)</b>
Sat 1st	7.30pm	Martin Byrne, Clonoghill Upper
Sun 2nd	8.30am	Private Intentions
Sun 2nd Carrig	9.30am	Private Intentions
Sun 2nd	10.30am	Brendan Burns, Clonoghill Lower Lill & Pake Egan & Michael Lane Albert & Mary Kate Watkins Oisin Watkins Carroll Patrick Nevin Kathleen & Richard Grant
Sun 2nd	12 noon	Brian McManus, Military Road,
Mon 3rd	10.00am	Private Intentions
Tues 4th	10.00am	Private Intentions
Wed 5th	10.00am	Private Intentions
Thurs 6th	10.00am	Margaret & James Guinan, Ballysheil
Fri 7th	10.00am	Past & Present members of the Pioneer Association
8th	10am	Mary Hehir & Son Geoffrey
Sat 8th	7.30pm	Michael Molloy, Meadowcourt & his son Brian, Ballivor, Meath
Sun 9th	8.30am	Private Intentions
Sun 9th Carrig	9.30am	Mary & Brendan Keeshan & deceased members of the Daly & Keeshan families Theresa Kennedy, Carrig
Sun 9th	10.30am	Seamus, Jane & Martin Yates, Newbridge Street
Sun 9th	12 noon	Con Phelan, Townsend Street

### Please pray for the souls of

**Anastasia Ahern**, Burkes Hill

**Kathleen Bass** Newbridge street

**Delia Callanan**, Kinvara, Mother of Teresa Lynch, Elm Park, Birr



## Remembering those taking Exams

The state exams begin on Wednesday of this week. We remember all our young people who will be sitting their Junior Cert and Leaving Cert exams. A "Book of Intentions" where you are invited to write the names of those you wish to be remembered during these days is in front of the altar. You are invited to take one of the prayer cards and remember the intentions of all.

### Prayer Before an Examination

Dear Lord, as I take this exam, I thank you that my value is not based on my performance, but on your great love for me.  
 Come into my heart so that we can walk through this time together.  
 Help me, not only with this test, but the many tests of life that are sure to come my way.

As I take this exam,  
 bring back to my mind everything I studied and be gracious with what I have overlooked.  
 Help me to remain focussed and calm, confident in the facts and in my ability, and firm in the knowledge that no matter what happens today you are there with me. Amen.

### The Feast of the Sacred Heart /Pioneer Members

On the Feast of the Sacred Heart June 7th, we are honouring members of the Pioneer total abstinence association with Silver presentation pins and certificates. We invite any members who are eligible for Silver or Gold pins to contact the Parish office 05791-22028.



**Confirmation young people**, would you consider taking on the commitment of abstaining from alcohol until your 18th birthday and from all drugs & abusive substances for life by becoming a member of the Pioneer Association

### Pioneer Prayer

For Thy greater glory and consolation,  
 o Sacred of Jesus, for Thy sake to give good example, to practice self-denial, to make reparation to Thee for the sins of intemperance, and for the conversion of excessive drinkers, I will abstain for life from all intoxicating drinks."

## Sr. Eileen - Cúinne

### Féile Chorp Chríost ( Corpus Christi)

Thug Íosa a Chorp agus a Fhuil dúinn mar lón anama. Bhunaigh Sé an Eocairist Naofa ar Dhéardaoin na Páise ag an suipéar deireanach leis na hAspail. Is é seo mar a labhair sé leo "an té a itheann mo chuid Feola agus a ólann mo chuid Fola, cónaíonn sé ionamsa agus cónaímse ann"(Eoin 6:54). Déanfaidh sé difríocht nach beag dúinne má ghlacaimid an Chomaoin Naofa go minic. Is féidir linn cuairt a thabhairt ar eaglais freisin nó Comhartha na Croise a dhéanamh agus sinn ag gabháil thart. Bhí ár sinsir an-dílis do na nósanna seo a tháinig anuas chugainn ó ghlúin go glúin agus b'fhiú iad a chleachtadh agus a athnuachan chun sinn a threorú ar bhóthar ár leasa. Is baill de Chorp Chríost sinn uile. Tugann an Fhéile seo deis dúinn bheith rannpháirteach le hÍosa de shíor. Ní foláir dúinn ár dTiarna a fheiceáil i ngach duine agus gníomhú mar a mhol Sé dúinn i ngach gné dár saol. Is maith liom an phaidir ghearr seo:  
*A Shacraimint rónaofa, a Shacraimint ró-dhiaga, gach moladh agus buíochas go raibh agat choíche. Áiméan.*

Jesus gave us his Body and Blood as food for our souls. He instituted the Sacrament of the Blessed Eucharist at the Last Supper with his apostles on Holy Thursday. This is what he said them  
 "Whoever eats My flesh and drinks My blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day."(John 6: 54).If we receive Holy Communion frequently, it will make a big difference in our lives. We can also visit the Blessed Sacrament in the church and bless ourselves as we pass a church. Our ancestors were very faithful to these practices that have been passed down to us from generation to generation .It is desirable to renew these for our good. We are all members of God's family. This feast provides us with an opportunity to be present with Jesus at all times .We ought to see Jesus in all those we meet agus gníomhú mar a mhol Sé dúinn i ngach gné dár saol. Is maith liom an phaidir ghearr seo:  
**O Sacrament most holy ,o sacrament Divine all praise and all thanksgiving be every moment thine. Amen.**