

BIRR PARISH

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Psalter Week 4

Parish Finances

We acknowledge and thank parishioners for their generosity and support of the Parish. The amount donated week ending 5/6th October was **€2,712.50**

The October Priests Collection will be taken up at all masses this weekend 12/13th October. We thank you most sincerely for your generosity to this collection.

Eucharistic Ministers

St. Brendan's Church is in need of additional Eucharistic Ministers. If anyone would like to volunteer he/she would be very welcome to join. Thank you to our present team of Eucharistic Ministers for your dedication and commitment.

Padre Pio Mass Thursday October 17th @ 7.30pm

The rosary will be recited before 9.30 Sunday Mass in the Church of the Annunciation Carrig during the month of October. All are welcome.

Cookery Course in Carrig Hall starting on Wed 18th Sept for 6 weeks from 7 - 9pm. For more info please contact Margaret 087-1343108

Coffee morning in Carrig Hall Sunday October 20th from 10am - 1pm in aid of Offaly & Tipperary Hospice.

Hospice Coffee Morning.

Big thank you to all who supported the coffee morning on 26th September in The Ring. I'm delighted to say €1090 was raised on the day. Thank you all again.

Birr Historical Society

Mystery talk about Birr and it's people. Speaker Caimin O' Brien, Archaeologist/published author. Monday October 21st @ 8pm in the County Arms Hotel. All welcome.

Birr Citizens Information Service are seeking Volunteers to work in our local office Reception. Please email your expression of interest to: sinead.tynan@citinfo.ie Up to a 2 year commitment, 4-8 hours per week, computer skills.

Remembered in Mass this Week

Sat 12th	10am	Patricia O' Callaghan, Moorpark Street Billy & Molly O' Callaghan, High Street
Sat 12th	7.30pm	Raymond Hoare, The View, Crinkill Maura Kane, The Terrace, Crinkill Tom & Christine Brereton, Clonoghill Sally Kennedy & her husband Joe, Elm Park
Sun 13th	8.30am	Paddy Frawley
Sun 13th	9.30am	Ita Clarke, Ballygar, Carrig Carrig
Sun 13th	10.30am	Patrick Fitzgerald, Hillside
Sun 13th	12noon	Margaret Connolly, Hillside, Seffin (1st Ann) Tom Murray, Lisheen James & Annie Kearns, Military Road & New York
Mon 14th	10am	Private Intentions
Tues 15th	10am	Private Intentions
Wed 16th	10am	Private Intentions
Thurs 17th	10am	Paddy Kearns, Fortal
Thurs 17th	7.30pm	Padre Pio Mass
Friday 18th	10am	Private Intentions
Sat 19th	10am	Private Intentions
Sat 19th	7.30pm	May Tierney, Ely Place, Crinkill (1st Ann) Elsie Parry, High Street Pauline Wilson, Newbridge Street Madeline Ryan, The Terrace, Crinkill Margaret, Michael & John Molloy
Sun 20th	8.30am	Peggy O' Meara, Riverstown
Sun 20th	9.30am	Private Intentions
Sun 20th	10.30am	Nora Teresa Shea, Seffin (1st Ann)
Sun 20th	12noon	Damien (Damo) O' Shea, Bulfin Park (MM) and all deceased members of the O' Shea & Brummell Families Imelda King, Clonbrone Maura Hayes Dan & Maisie Finnerty, Clareen

Please pray for the souls of

Ann Hogan, Hillside, Birr
Bridget Callaghan, Compton Row, Newbridge Street & Birr Community Nursing Unit
Una Cavanagh (neé) Carroll, Leinster Villas, Crinkill & Formerly The Pike, Ballingarry Shinrone
Joe O' Meara, Kilbarron, Nenagh, Co. Tipperary father of Ann Milne, Hillside Birr
Varkey Painedath, Kerala, India father of Matthew Painedath, Annagh



Save the Date

November Novena in Honour of the Holy Souls in St. Brendan's Church, Brendan Pastoral Area
October 26th @ 7.30pm - November 3rd @ 12noon
(excluding Sunday's @ 8.30am)
Monday to Friday October 28th - November 1st @ 7.30pm
More details to follow. All are welcome

Harvest Thanksgiving

19th & 20th 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

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 2023 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 2023, please send all pictures and accompanying details to birrreview@gmail.com

Sr. Eileen - Cúinne

Aire do Chruthú Dé.

Le tamall anuas cloisimid sna meáin chumarsáide faoi thubaistí nádúrtha atá ag tarlú ar fud na cruinne. De réir na saineolaithe is é an cine daonna faoi ndear roinnt mhaith díobh seo. Mar sin ba cheart dúinn gach iarracht a dhéanamh chun iad a mhaolú. Chruthaigh Dia an domhan dúinn chun maireachtáil inti le cruthaitheacht agus freagracht. Ina imlitir Laudato Si, impíonn an Pápa Proinsias orainn ár nósanna a athrú toisc an scrios atá déanta againn don domhan trí mhí-úsáid. Is í Éire an tír is mó san Eoraip le dramhaíl phlaisteach. De réir na staitisticí is déanaí téann 13 milliún tonna plaisteach isteach i bhfarraigí an domhain gach bliain agus tógann éisc, éanlaith agus orgánaigh eile iad isteach ina gcoirp gan trácht ar an díobháil don duine. Is féidir linn gearradh siar ar an méid dramhaíl a chaithimid i dtraipisí gach aon lá. Ní foláir dúinn machnamh a dhéanamh ar Laudato Si.

Minister of God's Creation

We hear and read daily of weather related disasters worldwide. According to the experts, these are the result of first world lifestyles. We ought to make every effort to redress the harm done. God created the world for us to live in it creativity and responsibility. In his Encyclical Laudato Si, Pope Francis invites us to change our habits. Ireland has the most plastic waste in Europe. According to the latest statistics, 13 million tons of plastic go into the world's seas every year. Fish, birds and other organisms take this into their bodies and so it enters the food chain. We can dramatically reduce our use of plastic and other pollutants. Let us reflect on Laudato Si.

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