

## BIRR PARISH

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### Sacramental Masses



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

### Psalter Week 2

#### Parish Finances

We acknowledge and thank parishioners for their generosity and support of the Parish. The amount donated week ending 19/20th October was **€2,505.00**

#### Annual Mass of Remembrance

**Saturday 9th Nov at 10.00 a.m.** remembering all who have died in our Parish during the past year. All are welcome.

#### Ministry of the Word:

New readers' rotas are available behind the altar. Many thanks to our faithful readers for their dedication. Welcome to Eamonn, Fionn, Katelyn, Cronan and Avril who join our Ministry of the Word team.

#### Hullabaloo! Offaly's Children's Arts Festival

happens during the Mid-term break 30 Oct-02 Nov and is jam packed with workshops and family shows for all to enjoy.  
www.hullabaloofestival.ie

#### Give Blood Marian Hall, Birr

**Tues 29th October** from 3.45pm to 8.00pm  
**Wed 30th October** from 2.30pm to 5.00pm & 7.00pm to 9.30pm  
**Thurs 31st October** from 12pm to 2.00pm & 4pm to 7.30pm

#### Charity Bridge Drive

All proceeds to the Friends of the Midland Regional Hospital Tullamore **Sunday Nov 17th @ 2pm** in the County Arms Hotel light refreshments provided Entrance Fee €20. Booking in advance required please contact Peter O' Meara 086-8363566  
[www.idonate.ie/fundraiser](http://www.idonate.ie/fundraiser) Friends of Midland Hospital by O'Meara Family

## Remembered in Mass this Week

Sat 26th	10am	William Smyth, Connaught Street Mary (Marie) Schneider (née) Tierney, Crinkill Private Intention
Sat 26th	7.30pm	<b>Ann Kirwan, Newbridge Street (MM)</b> <b>Phil Carroll, High Street (1st Ann)</b> & deceased members of the Carroll family Rose Celine Delaney, Fred Delaney & Sheila O' Dwyer Teresa & Paddy Coughlan and sons Eddie & William, Fairview
Sun 27th	8.30am	Ann O' Brien, Brosna
Sun 27th	9.30am	Patrick & Maureen O' Brien, Tinnakelly Maureen Hoare, daughter Veronica & deceased members of the Hoare & O' Brien Families, Cornhill
Sun 27th	10.30am	Oisin Watkins Carroll Kathleen & Richard Grant Patrick Nevin Albert & Mary Kate Watkins Betty Stokes, Dublin Kathleen & Joe Gallagher, Syngefield Kieran & Elizabeth Bannon & Kate Fox. Fivealley Jimmy Sullivan, New York
Sun 27th	12noon	Peter Pardy, Killeen Mary Smith & her son Ian Smith, Bulfin Park Bridget Harte, Moorpark Street
Mon 28th	10am	Joseph Sherlock
Tues 29th	10am	Private Intentions
Wed 30th	10am	Private Intentions
Thurs 31st	10am	Conway & Middleton Families Joe & Phil Shortt & Annie Shortt, Bulfin Park & Killeen
<b>Friday 1st</b>	<b>11am</b>	<b>Mass of Healing &amp; Anointing</b>
Sat 2nd	10am	Margaret Kenny, Burkes Hill Michael Hehir, High Street
Sat 2nd	7.30pm	Anthony & Bridget McLoughlin & the McLoughlin family, Eden Road
Sun 3rd	8.30am	The Byrne Family, Carrig Mullaney Family, Sligo
Sun 3rd	9.30am	Jack & Ciss Cashen, Ballykinash Sinead O' Brien, Riverstown
Sun 3rd	10.30am	Matt Darcy, Church Street
Sun 3rd	12noon	<b>Roma Gilmartin, John's Mall (1st Ann)</b> & her husband John

## November Novena 2024

In Honour of the Holy Souls

### Weekend Masses

**October 26th; 27th & November 2nd; 3rd at 7.30pm (Sat Vigil), 10.30am & 12noon (Sun).**

### Weekday Masses

**October 28th - November 1st 7.30pm**

## Speakers at the Novena

**Richie Power, Kilkenny**  
**Challenges of Gambling**

Weekend Masses of Oct 26th & 27th

**Pauline Pardy, Birr**

**Bereavement and Support**

Monday Oct 28th

**Fr. Declan McInerney, Clonfert**  
**Blessing's from our Lady of Clonfert**

Tuesday Oct 29th

**Dickie Donnelly, Birr**

**Joy that comes through Music**

Wednesday Oct 30th

**Fr. Joe McGrath,**

**Ardagh & Clonmacnoise Diocese**

**Youth Ministry- this will be an evening**

**that all young people are welcome**

Thursday Oct 31st

**Bishop Fintan Monahan**

**Mass of Healing & Anointing on Friday**

**1st November at 7.30pm**

(There will be an additional Anointing Ceremony at

11am Mass Friday morning Nov 1st .

Please note there is no 10am Mass .

**Mary Cowen, Birr**

**Life from a public & private perspective**

Weekend Masses of Nov 2nd & 3rd

## Special Ceremonies

**Blessing with Padre Pio Glove**

Monday October 28th at 7.30pm

**Masses of Healing & Anointing**  
Friday November 1st at 11am & 7.30pm

(Note - Friday 1st of November is a Holy Day of Obligation).

## Sr. Eileen - Cúinne

**Mí na Samhna**

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. Déanaimid 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." 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 lonraí orthu an solas buanmharthanach. Áiméan.**

## The Month 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". They defended and proclaimed the gospel during their lives. They are now in the presence of God praying for us.

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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

**Sponsored by**  
**Anonymous**