

BIRR PARISH

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We acknowledge and thank parishioners for their generosity and support of the Parish. The amount donated week ending 3/4 October was **€2685.00**

Remembered in Mass this Week

Save the Date
November Novena in Honour of the Holy
Souls in St. Brendan's Church,
Brendan Pastoral Area

**October 24th @ 7.30pm, October 25th @
8.30am/10.30am & 12noon Masses**

October 26th – 30th @ 7.30pm

**October 31st @ 7.30pm &
November 1st @ 8.30am/10.30am &
12noon Masses.**

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## Preparing for Sacraments 2027



We welcome the children  
from **Killeen N.S.** and the **Parish**  
**Preparation Programme** who will be  
participating in 7.30pm Mass and  
**St. Brendan's P.S.** who will be participating in  
10.30am Mass

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The Bishop and Priests of the Diocese are meeting for 3 days of prayer & reflection Sunday October 11th to Wednesday October 14th - so for the 3 days Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday there will be lay led liturgies each morning with readings of the word, prayers of intercession and distribution of the Eucharist.

All are welcome to Birr Historical Society's upcoming lecture which takes place on Monday, October 12th at 8pm in Dooly's Hotel, Birr. (R42 KC56)

Dr. Judith Hill will give a lecture entitled "Castles Speak" in which she will explore the projects of two Irish proprietors namely Laurence Parsons, later the Third Earl of Rosse of Birr Castle and the Burys, later Lord and Lady Charleville of Charleville Castle, Tullamore. Dr. Judith Hill's book entitled "Castles Speak" will be on sale on the night at €50 per copy For those who did not have an opportunity to purchase the recently launched Birr Historical Society's bicentenary reprint of Thomas Lalor Cooke's "Picture of Parsonstown", copies will also be available on he night.

All are welcome.

Sr. Eileen - Cúinne
October is the month
dedicated to Mary;
The month of the Rosary

“Take my Hand, O Blessed Mother” is a prayer that reflects the belief in Our Lady’s maternal care and her willingness to assist her children who call upon her. It is a plea for guidance, protection, and strength throughout life’s journey, recognising Our Lady as our compassionate and loving mother.

Take my hand, O Blessed Mother
hold me firmly lest I fall;
I grow nervous while walking and
humbly on thee call.
Guide me over every crossing,
watch me when I'm on the stairs
let me know that you're beside me;
listen to my fervent prayers.
Bring me to my destination
safely along the way,
bless my every undertaking
and my duties for the day.
And when evening creeps upon me
I'll never fear to be alone:
once again, O Blessed Mother,
take my hand and lead me home.
Amen.

A word of thanks to Mary Larkin who created the Sacred Space and the O'Meara family, Fortal for supplying the vegetables in honour of the season of Creation. Mile Buíochas.

Congratulations to all the Junior Certificate students on receiving their results last Wednesday. We wish you every blessing and best wishes for the next stage of your life.



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