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 31/1st November was **€2928.00**

Birr Neighbourhood Watch: Annual Church Gate Collection the weekend of November 14th & 15th 2026. Please support your Neighbourhood Watch to make our community a safer place. All donations appreciated.

Birr Historical Society - All are welcome to Birr Historical Society's upcoming lecture which takes place on Monday, November 9th at 8pm in Dooly's Hotel, Birr. (R42 KC56) Aidan Doyle will speak on the subject of "Duelling in the King's County" between 1583 and 1845 where he will tell the fascinating story of titled aristocrats, indebted gentry, military officers and others who fought duels using broad swords, rapiers and pistols to resolve their disputes. For those who did not have an opportunity to purchase the recently launched bicentenary reprint of Thomas Lalor Cooke's "Picture of Parsonstown", copies will be available on the night. **All are welcome**.

Carrig/Riverstown/Killeen Local History Group are working on a new project for the next few months. Titled, " Imithe ar Slí na Fírinne" (Gone on the Path of Truth). Gone to their Eternal Reward. We are asking residents in the areas mentioned above to make their family Memorial Cards available to us for scanning and to eventually appear in book form. Further information from Margaret O'Brien at 0871343108 or Tony Dargan at 0872069342.

Healthy Offaly, Offaly County Council's Healthy Ireland programme, is partnering with Croí, the Heart and Stroke Charity, to offer **free** community health checks in various locations across Offaly this November and December. Checks include glucose, cholesterol, blood pressure and pulse testing, along with lifestyle advice. Free community health talks will also take place at 11am at selected venues. Places are limited, so advance booking is encouraged. **No booking is required for checks at Birr Mart. Birr Civic Offices - Nov 10th, Birr Mart - Nov 16th.**

Remembered in Mass this Week

Sat 7th	11.00am	**Mass of Remembrance**
Sat 7th	7.30pm	Nelly, Martin & Michael Ryan, High Street Adrian Cahill, Bulfin Park Peter & Judy Plunkett, High Street Alan Regan & Rodger Lavender, High Street Enda Cooke, her daughter Geraldine & grand-daughter Natalie Anthony & Bridget McLoughlin & all deceased members of the McLoughlin Family, Eden Road & grandson Peter Hynes Frank Masterson, Brendan's Villas O'Meara & Mahon Family James & Bridget Hutchinson, Crinkilll & baby Joseph & baby Anthony & all deceased members of the Hutchinson Family
Sun 8th	8.30am	Joe Feehan, Burkes Hill Deceased members of the Mullaney Family, Sligo & the Byrne Family, Carrig
Sun 8th Carrig	9.30am	Maureen Hoare & daughter Veronica & deceased members of the Hoare & O' Brien Families
Sun 8th	10.30am	**Sandra Meredith, Cyprus Grove, Crinkill (1st Ann)** Thomas & Mary Cox Roseceline Delaney & Fred Delaney , Sheila O'Dwyer, Cappaneale
Sun 8th	12noon	Claire Grimes, Seffin Avenue Roma & John Gilmartin, Johns Mall Betty Stokes, Dublin Fred Hollywood, Killeen
Mon 9th	10.00am	Private Intentions
Tues 10th	10.00am	Frank Touhy, Drumbane his brother Vincent & nephew Thomas McInerney
Wed 11th	10.00am	Denis & Mary Tierney & daughters Patricia & Josephine
Thur 12th	10.00am	Private Intentions
Fri 13th	10.00am	John Murdon, Connaught Street
Sat 14th	10.00am	**Elizabeth Martin (née O'Dwyer) Emmett Street & USA (MM)** Paddy & Ellen Mellsop, Mill Street Ben, Pauline & Hazel Mellsop
Sat 14th	7.30pm	**Jimmy Kelly, Bulfin Park (MM)** Gloria Hansbury, Syngefield Bessie Loughnane, Woodlands, Tommy Doherty, The Terrace, Crinkill Michael, Terry, TJ & Jamie Donoghue and all deceased members of the Donoghue Family Pat Egan Bill O'Brien, Durrow & Don O'Brien
Sun 15th	8.30am	Private Intentions
Sun 15th Carrig	9.30am	Private Intentions
Sun 15th	10.30am	Maura O'Connor, Castle Street Billy & Phyl Murphy, Emmet Street Liam & Joan McGlone, Seffin Dan & Maisie Finnerty, Crinkill Mary Loonam, Annagh Mary Camon & her daughters Pauline & Mary Bulfin Park
Sun 15th	12noon	**Brian Hunt, Seffin, Hillside (MM)** Connie Gormley, Woodlands Michael Purcell, Roscrea Road

A Prayer of Remembrance

God, thank you for the special people in our lives whom we are remembering in a special way during the month of November.

We thank you for being a compassionate God who walks with us in the our dark moments of grief and loneliness.

We are thankful for all who continue to love and support us through our grief. Lord, continue to be a light for us, giving us hope, direction and courage.

May we now live our lives treasuring the memories of those special people we have known and loved and help us to bring light and hope to others.

We make this prayer through Christ our Lord, Amen.

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November - Month of Remembering



Annual Mass of Remembrance Saturday 7th Nov at 11.00 a.m. remembering all who have died in our Parish during the past year.

Mass of Remembrance for the Deceased Residents of Birr Nursing Unit Nov 17th @ 7.30 p.m. Birr Nursing Unit

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November Month of Remembering

Envelopes are available at the altar rails to write the names of your faithful departed and place in the Green box.

Sponsored by Padre Pio Prayer Group

Sr. Eileen - Cúinne

Is paidir í seo ón mbéaloideas a bhíodh á rá ag ár sinsir gach Domhnach .

Fáilte Roimh an Domhnach

Dé bheatha an Domhnaigh, tar éis na seachtaine,
Lá breá scítheach chun Críost d'agallamh.
Corraigh do chos chun dul chuig an Aifreann,
Corraigh do bhéal go briathar beannaithe.
Oscail do chroí agus scaoil an ghangaid as.
Féach suas ar mhac na banaltra,
Mac Dé, - is É do cheannaigh sinn,
Chuir le daonnacht le cith allais,
A chuid fola naofa, saor Ár n-anam,
Go rabhaidh Sé an cosán fada romhainn,
Go bhfaighimis buíochas
I ríocht na bhflaitheas leis. Áiméan.

We welcome the Lord's Day

Sunday you are welcome at the end of each week,
A restful day when we can speak to the Lord.
Let us go to Mass and pray fervently.
Open our hearts to let go of bitterness.
Turn our thoughts to the Son of God.
Through His Precious Blood ,
He has redeemed us and shown us the way.
May we be with Him forever in heaven. Amen.

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Preparing for Sacraments 2027



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

Please pray for the souls of



Ita Harding, Ballyghar, Carrig
Carmel Jones (née Cole) Manchester & formerly Castle Street, sister of the late Elsie Gillen & Kathleen Colohan
Sr. Maureen Haugh (Sr. Jude), Sisters of Mercy, McAuley Drive & St. Xaviours, Ennis,
Josie Carroll, Laurel Unit, Birr Community Nursing Unit & Clonlee, Kinnitty
Bridget Harpur (née Tobin) formerly of Killeen, Sister of the late Teresa O'Sullivan, Roscrea Road, Birr
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