

BIRR PARISH

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Monday - Saturday (excluding Wednesday)
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Brendan Pastoral Area - Sunday Mass Times

St. Brendan's, Birr - Saturday 7.30 p.m.,
Sunday 8.30 a.m., 10.30 a.m. and 12 noon

Church of the Annunciation, Carrig -

Sunday 9.30 a.m.

St. Colman's, Kilcolman - Sunday 11.00 a.m.

St. Ita's, Coolderry - Saturday 8.00 p.m.

St. John's, Ballybritt - Sunday 9.30 a.m.

St. Molua's, Roscomroe - Sunday 9.30 a.m.

St. Mary's, Shinrone - Sunday 11.00 a.m.

St. Patrick's, The Pike - Saturday 6.45 p.m.

St. Finian Cam, Longford - Sunday 9.30 a.m.

St. Flannan's, Kinnitty - Sunday 11.30 a.m.

St. Lugna's, Cadamstown - Saturday 8.00 p.m.

Community News

Shannon Harbour annual High Nelly cycle - Sunday August 4th at 3pm. Registration from 2pm in the community hall. Registration fees: Child €5, Adult €10 & Family €20 (this includes raffle entry for vintage bicycle). Refreshments provided during break and afterwards in the community hall.

Midland & District Course & Pike Anglers in association with the Shannonharbour Community Association are hosting an inaugural one day classic fishing competition in Shannonharbour on Monday 5th August at 2pm.

Stoma Support Group meeting will take place on Tuesday 13th August 6.30-8.30pm in the Dóchas Offaly Cancer Support Group Centre. Please contact Anne on 086 3074846. All are welcome.

Youth 2000 Summer Festival will be held from 15th - 18th August, at the Clongowes Wood College, Co. Kildare. The Youth 2000 Summer Festival is both Youth 2000's largest event and the largest Catholic youth event in Ireland with over 1,000 attending. There are free buses going from all around Ireland. For more information and to book your place visit <http://youth2000.ie>

Young Adult Catholic Conference takes place in All Hallows College, Dublin on Saturday August 31st and Sunday September 1st 2019. This is a fantastic weekend packed full of interesting events for young Catholics. Prices range from €25-€50, accommodation also available. For further details visit our website <http://www.legionofmary-deusetpatria.com/> or contact Lucy 087 9959803.

Remembered in Mass this Week

Sat 3rd	7.30 p.m.	John Girvin, brother Paul & parents Dorothy & John Patricia Parsons, Presentation Place Johnny Madden Olive Byrne Sadie & Kieran Dolan John Dolan
	10.30 a.m.	Tony Devine, Donaghmede
Sun 4th	12 noon	Dolly King Michael & May Kenneally & son Des Edward & Lucy Hogan & daughters Sheila Hogan & Ciss Cashen Ciss Hogan
Carrig	9.30 a.m.	Kevin Reddan (formerly Fadden) MM Tooher family
Tues 6th	10.00 a.m.	Lorraine, Celine & John McCarthy & family
Wed 7th	10.00 a.m.	People of the Parish
Fri 9th	10.00 a.m.	Oliver, Ethna & Kieran McCarthy Edward & Eileen Cordial, High Street
Sat 10th	10.00 a.m.	Paddy Murphy & son Pat
	7.30 p.m.	William Egan (MM) Mary & Christy Hough
Sun 11th	10.30 a.m.	Nora & Michael Grennan Paddy & Nancy Walsh John Ahearn Fred Delaney Sheila O'Dwyer
	12 noon	Lill Roe Margaret & Michael Kearns, Townsend Street John Kennedy, Bridge Street

Please pray for the souls of



Michael Brien, England &
late of New Road,
Joan Carroll, Dublin,
sister of Catherine O'Sullivan, Riverstown.

**The secret of joy in work
is contained in one word - excellence.
To know how to do something well
is to enjoy it.**

Pearl S. Buck

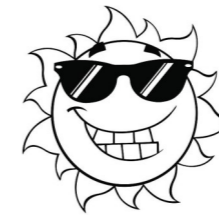
**Basket Fund Collection Last Sunday - €1,644
Many Thanks.
Parish Fund Collectors - August 11th
E. Nolan & R. Delaney**

Sponsored By

St. Pio Group

Best Wishes to Birr Vintage Week & Arts Festival

Father, Creator of all,
thank You for summer!
Thank you for the warmth
of the sun
and the increased daylight.
Thank You for the beauty
I see all around me
and for the opportunity
to be outside and enjoy Your creation.
Thank You for the increased time
I have to be with my friends and family,
and for the more casual pace
of the summer season.
Draw me closer to You this summer.
Teach me how I can pray
no matter where I am or what I am doing.
Warm my soul with the awareness
of Your presence and light my path
with Your Word and Counsel.
As I enjoy Your creation,
create in me a pure heart
and a hunger and a thirst for You.
Amen



Sr. Eileen's Cúinne

Mí Lúnasa

A Thiarna, bí linn i mí Lúnasa. Is í intinn an Phápa don mhí seo ná: Is í intinn an Phápa don mhí seo ná: Go mbeadh teaghlach níos mó agus níos mó ina "scoileanna fáis dhaonna" de bharr a nguí agus a gcuid carthanachta. Ar an Mháirt seo chugainn, 6 Lúnasa ceiliúrtar Claochlú ár dTiarna Íosa Críost ar fud an domhain. Thóg Íosa leis Peadar, Séamas agus Eoin deartháir Shéamais, agus sheol sé iad suas sliabh ard ar leithligh. Thug athrú ghné Chríost dearcadh dá dheis-ceabail ar ghlór Dé. Bhí Páis Chríost ar tí tarlú. Ina dhiaidh sin bheadh na deisceabail ina n-aonar agus contúirt ar gach taobh díobh. Shoilsigh gnúis Íosa ar nós na gréine agus d'éirigh a chuid éadaigh chomh gléigeal leis an solas. Chonacthas dóibh Maois agus Éilias ag comhrá Leis. Labhair Peadar: "A Thiarna," ar seisean le hÍosa, "is maith mar tharla anseo sinn: más maith leat é, déanfaidh mé trí bhoth san áit seo, ceann duit féin, ceann do Mhaois agus ceann d'Éilias." Sula raibh an focal as a bhéal, seo scamall solasmhar ina scáil anuas orthu, agus an glór as an scamall: "Is é seo mo Mhac muirneach dár thug mé gnaoi; éistigí leis." Matha 17 :1-5. Léirigh Sé an ghlóir atá i ndán dúinne agus do Chríostaithe dílse. Cuireann Féile an lae inniu i gcúimhne dúinn go bhfuil Dia i ngar dúinn de shíor, go mór mór in am an chruatain.

Moladh go deo le Dia. Áiméan.

Lord be with us during the month of August. The Pope's intention for August is: That families, through their life of prayer and love, become ever more clearly "schools of true human growth." On Tuesday August 6, the Feast of the Transfiguration is celebrated worldwide. Jesus took with him Peter, James, and John the brother of James, and brought them up into a high mountain. The Transfiguration of Jesus gave the apostles an insight into the glory of God. The Passion of Jesus was soon to follow.. Jesus was transfigured before them. His face shone like the sun, and his garments became as white as the light. Moses and Elijah appeared and talked with him. Peter spoke and said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here. If you want, let us make three tents here: one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." While he was still speaking, a bright cloud overshadowed them. A voice spoke from the cloud, saying, "This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased. Listen to him." Matthew 17:1-5. He foretold the glory that awaits each one of us and all the faithful. Today's feast reminds us that God is always with us especially in times of trouble.

May God be praised forever. Amen

On the Killaloe Diocesan website, Facebook and Twitter pages videos are available for viewing of this year's Killaloe Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes. The Autumn Pilgrimage leaves from Shannon Airport on **Sunday 29th September to Friday 4th October.** €699 with €20 discount for online booking at joewalshstours.ie.

Pilgrimage to Lough Derg - 3rd & 4th September. Includes Holy Mass in Knock on Tuesday 3rd, overnight stay in Bundoran with evening meal and B&B included. On Wed 4th travel to Lough Derg for Day Retreat 10.00 a.m. - 4.00 p.m. Returning home directly with a meal in Roscommon. Contact the Parish Office on 9122028 for more details.

Pilgrimage to Fatima - 9th -16th September, 2019. Last remaining seats. Spiritual Director: Rev. Fr. Tony Gavin, PP, Tubber, Moate. 7 nights full board Santo Amaro Hotel. Cost €779 pps. Pilgrimage inclusive of Coimbra, Santarem and Lisbon. **Important:** Immediate booking essential. For further details and bookings contact 090-6482228 or 085-7700198.