

BIRR PARISH

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Monday - Friday 9.30 a.m. - 12.30 p.m.

Clergy of Brendan Cluster

Fr. Tom Hogan—057-9121757
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Crochet Classes for Beginners & Advanced has commenced on Tuesday's from 7 to 9pm in the Conference Room at rear of the church. Please contact Jacinta on 0876480987 for further details.

Midland Living Links supporting those bereaved by suicide. Coffee Morning - 4th October, Conference room in St. Brendan's Church after 10.00 a.m. mass.

Learn to play Bridge - Keep Mentally Fit and have fun for further details please contact 086-8363566 or 087-7858409

Marian Hall "Live Bingo"

Every Friday Night @ 8.30pm.

Over €2,000 in prize money plus Jackpot of €2,000 on offer. **All Welcome.**

Mary's Meals – Text to Donate

If you are a prepay customer on your mobile phone and have unused credit at the end of the month, you can use it to donate to Mary's Meals. Just text the word "JOY" to 50300. Texts cost €4. Mary's Meals will receive a minimum of €3.60. Service Provider: LIKECHARITY Helpline: 01 4819311 information, please contact Angela Moore at 089-4339592 or angela.moore@marysmeals.org.

Offaly Dementia Cafe is presented by the Alzheimer Society of Ireland on the first Monday of each month in the Bridge House Hotel at 10:30am. The next meeting will be held on October 3rd with guest speaker Christine Marten from ALONE. Please contact Claire Dolan on 0877151323.

Patrick Feeney & his band - Live at St. Brendan's Church, Birr @ 8pm Friday 9th December 2022. Tickets available from Parish office @ €25p.p. All proceeds go to St Brendan's Church & Offaly Hospice Foundation.

Sponsored by
www.birrtheatre.com

Remembered in Mass this Week

Sat 1st	10.00 a.m.	Bridget & John Hutchinson Winifred Murphy Christy Parsons, Crinkill
Sat 1st	7.30 p.m.	Nigel Wrafter, Pound Street (MM) Mai Snow, Compton Rowe Brenda Deegan & Sons Damien & Michael Deegan, Military Road
Sun 2nd	8.30 a.m.	Michael & Rose Brien and family members, Birr & Burkes Hill
Sun 2nd Carrig	9.30 a.m.	Private Intentions
Sun 2nd	10.30a.m.	Tom Huthchinson, High Street Gerry Garahy, Mile Tree
Sun 2nd	12 noon	Private Intentions
Mon 3rd	10.00 a.m.	Private Intentions
Tues 4th	10.00 a.m.	Tom McInerney, Killeen
Wed 5th	10.00am	Private Intentions
Thur 6th	10.00 a.m.	Private Intentions
Fri 7th	10.00 a.m.	Private Intentions
Sat 8th	10.00 a.m.	Conway Family
Sat 8th	7.30 p.m.	Christy & Mary McLoughlin Dan & Maisie Finnerty, Crinkill Margaret Doyle, Croghan Road and for all the deceased Monghan Family
Sun 9th	8.30 a.m.	Private Intentions
Sun 9th Carrig	9.30 a.m.	Private Intentions
Sun 9th	10.30 a.m.	Gerry Donoghue, Brendan's Villas (1st Ann) Patrick Fitzgerald, Hillside
Sun 9th	12 noon	Michael Loughnane & Mary, Castletown Joe Kerins, The Crescent and his Parents Florence & Helen & his sister Leone & his brother in law John

Please Pray for the Souls of

Chrissie Spain, Church Street, Birr
Laura Smith, Seffin House, Birr
Michael Gaffey, Kildare, husband of Breda



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 2021 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 2021, please send all pictures and accompanying details to: birrreview@gmail.com.



Preparing for Sacraments 2023

Parents Meetings



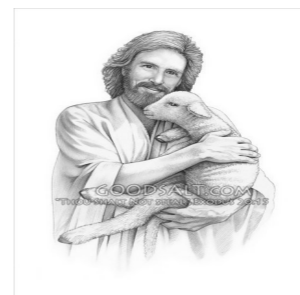
First Holy Communion Parents
First Holy Communion meeting takes place on
Tuesday, October 4th at 7.30 pm in
St. Brendan's Church

Confirmation Parents
Confirmation meeting takes place on
Wednesday October 5th @ 7.30pm in
St. Brendan's Church

Reeling In The Hurling Years

Spend a night in the company of hurling legends like Anthony Daly, Eddie Brennan, Brendan Maher and Dan Shanahan as Birr GAA Club presents 'Reeling in the Hurling Years' on Thursday, October 13 in the County Arms Hotel (throw-in at 7.30pm). MC'd by RTÉ's Darragh Maloney and with racing legend Barry Geraghty and Gaelic Football icon Mickey Harte also present on the night, it promises to be a great night with all funds raised going towards important development work in St Brendan's Park. Tickets (€20 each) are on sale through Eventbrite or you can contact Michael Verney (087-2182442) and Brian Stephens (087-1370296) for more info.

Vocation Prayer



"St. Paul reminds us to
"fan into a flame the gift God has given us"
We pray for those who are being called to a
vocation will respond with generosity.
Our response to the psalm today is
"Oh that today you would listen to his voice!
Harden not your hearts".
We pray that those whom the Lord calls to
follow him, as a priest, deacon or religious, may
make space today to listen with their hearts to
the voice of the Lord.

Sr. Eileen's Cúinne

An Seachtú Domhnach is Fiche Saor

Tá Mí Dheireadh Fómhair, mí lár an Fhómhair, buailte linn. Mí Dheireadh Fómhair, Mí na Corónach Muire, Mí na meala, tús na bliana acadúla. I Mí Dheireadh Fómhair bí linn a Íosa. Is í intinn an Phápa do mhí Dheireadh Fómhair: Guímis ar son na hEaglaise; go rabhaimid i gcónaí cróga agus dílis agus sinn ag craobhscaoileadh an tSoiscéil; go rabhaimid-ne, Eaglais, mar phobal a ghineann dlúth-pháirtíocht, bráithreachas agus fáilte in atmaisféar sionaid. Is féidir linn iarracht a dhéanamh ár ngrá don Mhaighdean Mhuire a léiriú i rith na míosa seo tríd an Choróin Mhuire a rá go rialta agus sinn ag machnamh ar bheatha an tSlánaitheora, ar a bhás agus a aiséirí glórmhar.

Leanaimis ag guí ar son na síochána ar fud an domhain. A Dhia na Trócaire éist lenár nguí. Fortaigh iad siúd atá faoi dhaorsmacht. Tabhair sólas do dhaoine dobrónacha. Go dtuga tíortha eile dídean dóibh agus go gcuirfear fáilte rompu. Go dtiontaí lucht armáilte ón gcogadh. Go gcumhdaí Dia iad siúd atá tugtha don tsíocháin. Áiméan.

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

October is here. October, Month of the Rosary, Month of abundance, beginning of academic year. Be with us Lord during the month of October. The Pope's intention for October: We pray for the Church; ever faithful to, and courageous in preaching the Gospel, may the Church be a community of solidarity, fraternity, and welcome, always living in an atmosphere of synodality. Let us continue to pray for world peace.

God of Compassion, Hear the cries of your people. Comfort those who suffer violence. Console those who mourn the dead. May neighbours welcome refugees. Transform the hearts of those who have taken up arms. Protect those who are committed to peace. Amen.