

BIRR PARISH

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Birr Folk Choir - Invite new members to join us at 10.30am Mass on Sundays. Musicians and singers, all are welcome. Contact Catriona through the Birr Folk Choir Facebook page.

Padre Pio Mass Thursday 20th October @ 7.30pm

Film@BirrTheatre returns every Thursday Night at 8pm with titles until Christmas! All welcome, all titles and trailers - www.birrtheatre.com

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.

Carrig & Riverstown progressive 25 Autumn card game Tuesday 18th October @ 8.30pm in Carrig hall. Tea & refreshments available. All welcome.

The Harvest Thanksgiving service will be held in Birr Methodist Church, Emmett Street on Sunday 16th October @ 7.30pm. Preacher: Rev. Arthur Minion. All Welcome

Coffee Morning in Carrig Hall
Carrig and Riverstown Development Association is hosting its annual Coffee Morning in aid of North Tipp Hospice in Carrig & Riverstown Community Hall on Sunday 23rd October 2022 from 10am to 1pm. All are welcome. Please support this important cause.

Seeking Accommodation - A Mother of 3 children is looking for a two or three bedroom house or apartment to rent in Birr town. Has been approved for Hap rent. Please contact 086-0687733

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Remembered in Mass this Week

Sat 15th	10.00 a.m.	Bernadette Kirwan, Ballindarra (MM) Patricia O'Callaghan, Moorpark Street
Sat 15th	7.30 p.m.	Tom & Christine Brereton, Clonoghill Daniel Milne, Crinkill Michael, Margaret & John Molloy, Birr Elsie Pardy Sally & her husband Joe Kennedy, Elm Park
Sun 16th	8.30 a.m.	Paddy Frawley, Clondalla
Sun 16th	9.30 a.m.	Ita Clarke, Ballygar (1st Ann) Carrig
Sun 16th	10.30 a.m.	Agatha Cooney, John's Mall (MM) Maura Kane, The Terrace, Crinkill Madeline Ryan, The Terrace, Crinkill
Sun 16th	12 noon	Annie Noonan & Deceased Members of the Choir James & Annie Kearns Pauline Wilson, Newbridge Street Frank & Denis Stokes, Woodlands Michael Kirwan, Bulfin Park
Mon 17th	10.00am	William & Margaret Delaney, Glebe St., their son Joseph & Deceased Relatives Nicholas Kiely, Dublin
Tues 18th	10.00am	Private Intentions
Wed 19th	10.00am	Stephen Connors & family, Derrinduff Patsy Tooher
Thurs 20th	10.00am	Private Intentions
Thurs 20th	7.30pm	Padre Pio Mass
Fri 21st	10.00am	Private Intentions
Sat 22nd	10.00am	Private Intentions
Sat 22nd	7.30pm	Anita Burrow (nee) Lally, London & Eden Road (MM) Roseceline Delaney, Fred Delaney & Sheila O'Dwyer Tom Nolan & Family members, Connaught Street
Sun 23rd	8.30am	Private Intentions
Sun 23rd	9.30am	Private Intentions
Sun 23rd	10.30am	Oisin Watkins Carroll Albert & Mary-Kate Watkins Kathleen & Richard Grant Patrick Nevin Imelda King, Clonbrone
Sun 23rd	12 noon	Gertie Spain (1st Ann) & her husband Matt Spain, Church Street Raymond Murray, Ballindarra

Please Pray for the Souls of

Raymond Hoare, Crinkill
Gerard Spain, Dundalk, formerly Rathcabbin,
Brother of the late Gertie White, Hillside
Tom Murray, Roscommon & Lisheen, Birr



Sacramental Masses

We welcome the children from **Killeen N.S.** and the



Parish Preparation Programme who will be participating in 7.30pm Mass, **Carrig N.S.** who will be participating in 9.30am Mass and **St. Brendan's P.S.** who will be participating in 10.30am Mass

Appreciation of Liturgical Music

Today the pastoral visit of Bishop Fintan Monaghan happily coincides with our Mass to celebrate the enrichment music has brought to our liturgies over the decades. We remember with fondness Ms Annie Noonan employed by Msgr. John Ryan P.P. V.G in 1946 as church organist, in succession to Ms Flynn, of Emmet Square. She resigned over 45 years ago and Msgr P.J. Hammell P.P.V.G.D.D engaged Mrs Bridget (Birdie) Hayes as organist, a position she held until her untimely death in May 1981. Following Birdie's death Sr. M. Gerard Cooke stepped into the breach and was a dedicated organist for many years, as was the late Sr Margaret Pepper. Then 30 years ago while still a student in St. Brendan's Community School our current organist Enda O'Connor started playing the great organ. We are so fortunate to have someone of Enda's skill and dedication enhancing music in St. Brendan's at the current time.

We also acknowledge the dedication of the late Mike Davis and the continuing contribution of Rena Haverty to provide music for our daily 10am masses. On this occasion we acknowledge the choir members too numerous to mention individually, who have enriched our liturgies over the decades. Recently we have honoured Lily Tait, Joan Kennedy, Mary O'Meara and Gerry Dolan, all of whom have given over half a century's service to our Church Choir. Birr has a great tradition of church music, we pray that current and future generation's will be inspired to emulate the service of Lily, Mary, Joan and Gerry.

The Choir has donated a new seat in the Church grounds as a memorial to Annie and former choir members.

St. Cecilia patron of Musicians pray for us.

Sr. Eileen's Cúinne

An Naoú Domhnach is Fiche Saor

Tar éis breis is 2000 bliain na Críostaíochta tá timpeall seachtó cúig faoin gcéad de dhaonra an domhain nár chuala trácht ar Íosa Críost fós. Ó aimsir Chríost anuas bhí sé mar chúram ar a dheisceabail an Dea-Scéal a scaipeadh. Seo a dúirt Sé leo "Imí faoin domhan uile agus fógraí an soiscéal don Chruthaíocht uile. An té a chreidfidh agus a bhaistfeadh, slánófar é: ach an té nach gcreidfidh, daorfar é". Marcas 16:15 -16. I Léachtaí an Aifrinn inniu spreagtar sinn a bheith ag guí go dianseasmhach, iontaoibh a bheith againn as Dia, agus gan éirí as bheith ag déanamh an rud ceart de shíor. "...an Dea-Scéal a fhógairt agus luí isteach air i dtráth agus in antráth. Bí ag áiteamh agus ag casaoid agus ag spreagadh agus ag teagasc gan staonadh le barr foighne" (2 Tiomóid 4:2).

Molaimis thú, a Thiarna ó bhéal agus ó chroí agus ó ghníomh, agus ós bronntanas uaitse an bheatha seo féin go mba leatsa mar an gcéanna gach a bhfuil againn agus an uile is sinn.

Áiméan

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

After more than two thousand years of Christianity, approximately seventy five per cent of the world's population have not yet heard of Jesus Christ. The Apostles had the responsibility of spreading the Good News. Jesus said to them "Go into the whole world and preach the gospel to all creation. He who has believed and has been baptized shall be saved; but he who has not believed shall be condemned" Mark 16:15-16. In today's Readings we are urged to be persistent in prayer, to trust in God and to never give up. "...proclaim the message and, welcome or unwelcome, insist on it. Refute falsehood, correct error, call to obedience – but do all with patience and with the intention of teaching". (2 Timothy 4:2)

Let us praise you Lord with voice and mind and deed: and since life itself is your gift, may all we have and are be yours. Amen