

## St. Fintan's Parish, Ballyfin

Sat. 7<sup>th</sup> - Sun. 8<sup>th</sup> Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup> Sun. in Ord. Time  
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### Mass Times - Anniversaries Sat. 7<sup>th</sup> to Sun. 15<sup>th</sup> Sept.

Fri. 6<sup>th</sup> Sept. 5.00 pm Exposition of Blessed Sacrament.  
Sat. 7<sup>th</sup> Sept. 8.00 pm Vigil Mass - 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ord. Time  
Sun. 8<sup>th</sup> Sept. 10.00 am 23<sup>rd</sup> Sun. In Ordinary Time  
Mon. 9<sup>th</sup> Sept. 7.00 pm Apostolate of Sanctification.  
Fri. 13<sup>th</sup> Aug. 5.00 pm Exposition of Blessed Sacrament.  
Sat. 14<sup>th</sup> Aug. 8.00 pm  
Sun. 15<sup>th</sup> Sept. 10.00 am 24<sup>th</sup> Sun. In Ord. Time  
Mon 16<sup>th</sup> Sept. 7.00 pm Apostolate of Sanctification.

*Lord, for your faithful people, Life is changed, Not ended*

### Season of Creation 2024:

The season of Creation takes place throughout the Christian world from 1 September to 4 October. This year's theme is -  
To Hope and Act with Creation.

### Visit of the Relic of St Bernadette

In September and October this year, the relic of St Bernadette will journey on a pilgrimage to Ireland. For the first time, visiting every diocese in the country. This very special, once-in-lifetime event will provide an opportunity for people of all ages and backgrounds to experience the special gifts and charisms of Lourdes in their diocese. The relics of St Bernadette will visit Kildare and Leighlin this October, on the 7th in Carlow Cathedral and on the 8th in Portlaoise Parish. Further details relating to the visit to Kildare & Leighlin will follow shortly.

### A Prayer as our New School Year Begins

Loving God, as our schools reopen  
We place them in your care  
Bless all who enter in and continue to hold them in your love this year.  
May our school communities be places of welcome  
- love - learning and prayer.  
May we help each other to be the very best that we can  
And may we recognise you



### Yoga Classes in Ballyfin Old School

'New 4-week Term of Yoga starting in September in Ballyfin Old School. Weekly classes of Beginners, Intermediate and Chair Yoga. Please contact Aisling (089 4122157) to book your spot'.

### Ministries Rota Thurs. 14<sup>th</sup> - Sun. 15<sup>th</sup> Sept.

Reader Minister of Holy Comm  
Sat. 8.00 pm Niamh Goode Mary Hooban  
Sun 10.00am Miriam Mooney Breda Merdith  
Collectors for Sept.  
Sat. Michael Carroll Adrian Greene Sun. Chris. Phelan

### Adult Literacy for Life (For All)

Do you know that in Ireland, 1 in 6 adults struggle with reading and writing, 1 in 4 adults struggle with maths and 1 in 2 adults struggle with digital skills? Do you or a family member need to improve your reading, writing, maths or digital skills? We can help. All courses are free.  
Contact: Laois Adult Learning Service (LOETB) 057 866 1338 or Offaly Adult Learning Service (LOETB) 057 934 9444 or freephone 1800 20 20 65 or email [tlatham@loetb.ie](mailto:tlatham@loetb.ie)

### Safeguarding Children Parish Reps.

Ballyfin Triona O'Rourke and Peter Byrne  
Mountrath Caroline Moore Pachelli Walsh  
Diocesan Designated Liaison Person:  
Ms. Ailish Higgins. Deputy Diocesan Liaison  
Michelle Hughes, c/o Bishop's House,  
Dublin Rd., Carlow Ph: 085 802 1633

### Guide Dogs for the Blind

Irish Guide Dogs for The Blind are holding a church gate collection on Sa. 28<sup>th</sup> and Sun. 29<sup>th</sup> Sept. Your continued support is very much appreciated.

### Fatima Invalid Fund

Church Gate Collection this weekend  
*Your generous support is always appreciated*

### Ballyfin Parish Income

31<sup>st</sup> Aug. - 1<sup>st</sup> Sept.  
90 Envelopes € 791.75  
Offetory Coll. € 353.07  
Retired Priests Fund € 10.00  
Peter's Pence € 40.00

*Thank you for your continued generous support of Ballyfin Parish*

### Blessed Carlos Acutis

The relics of Carlos Acutis will visit the Church of St's Peter & Paul, Portlaoise from 3.00 pm on Wed. 11<sup>th</sup> Sept. To 8.00 pm Fri. 13<sup>th</sup> Sept.

### VISIT OF RELIC OF BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS

Wednesday 11th to Friday 13th September

Wednesday 11th 7pm:

Reception of the Relics with talk on the life of Blessed Carlow by Fr. Marco (Parish Priest of Assis)

Thursday 12th and Friday 13th

Masses at 7.30am, 10am & 11.30am.

Bishop Denis will celebrate the 10am on Thursd

The 11.30am Masses will be attended

by our Confirmation classes and Schools.

All are welcome.

Throughout Thursday and Friday there will be

talks on the life of Blessed Carlow, streaming

of a video on his life, periods of quiet pray

and blessing with the relic.

3pm Friday 13th - Farewell

Sacrament of Penance

Confessions on

Thursday 12th and Friday 13th

after the 10am and 11.30am Masses

Portlaoise PARISH  
St. Peter & Paul's Church  
11th, 12th and 13th September 2024

### Kildare and Leighlin Safeguarding Training Schedule

Autumn/Winter at Portlaoise Parish Centre  
Safeguarding Refresher Session.  
Thurs. 19<sup>th</sup> Sept. 7pm-9pm  
Full Day Safeguarding Training.  
Sat. 12<sup>th</sup> Oct. 10am-4pm

### Ballyfin Parish Lotto 4<sup>th</sup> Sept.

Nos. Drawn 6 8 23 32  
No Jackpot Winner  
Match 3s Rec. € 112 each  
Next Week's Jackpoot €13,000