Synodality - a Call to Everyone

ACI Zoom discussion -July 22nd 2021 - led by: Professor Tom O'Loughlin

As the priestly manpower crisis deepens in Ireland, the call for 'more vocations' becomes ever more plaintive. But what does synodality mean in our Catholic understanding of 'vocation'? Is that still too often all about clergy and religious - when all of the baptised faithful are now called to become 'first responders' in an era of crisis?

Might the 'priest crisis' itself be a result of an unbalanced theology of Priesthood, Ordination and Baptism? Is every baptised person now being called equally to mission - to help keep hope and faith alive among those we love and meet?

Dr Tom O'Loughlin's profound understanding of the history of Catholic Theology is in high demand by all who study the problem of Catholic Church renewal today.

Join us on Thursday July 22nd at 8.00 p.m.

https://us02web.zoom.us/ i/85148985546? pwd=ZThhdUZxbGhrOFV0VG8w NVZLUkJHUT09

Learning from experience, the ACI has purchased extra Zoom capacity for this event – to accommodate all -comers.

Church Collections

If you are making a donation directly to the parish through the Bank (please contact the parish office to let us know you are doing this)put your name & envelope box number (if you need your envelope box number for this year just contact the parish office) in the reference box and/or contact the parish office to let us know that you have donated this way. Thank you.

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Envelope Boxes 2021

Contact Eleanor in Parish Office 9721154 OR

bagenalstownparish@gmail.com to pick up this years Envelope Box if you have not got yours. Thank you.

VIEW LIVE WEBCAM from our Parish Church

which can be viewed from our Parish website— Bagenalstown Parish

Facebook—

Bagenalstown Parish Church Youtube— Bagenalstown Parish Church

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BAGENALSTOWN - NEWTOWN - BALLINKILLEN 'CHURCH NOTICES'

16th Sunday of the Year

18th July, 2021



Eucharistic Ministers Course

Eucharistic Saturday 24th July 11am-1pm.

If you are interested in become

If you are interested in becoming a Eucharistic Minister please contact the Parish Office 9721154.

PRAY FOR

James 'Jim' Farrell. Lorum who was interred in Ballinkillen on Friday.

MONTHS MIND

Brigid Dillon, Augha. Mass on Sunday 25th July in Newtown Church at 9:00am.

Jean Kilgannon, Newbridge & Ballinkillen. Mass on Sunday 25th July in Ballinkillen Church at 10:00am.

FIRST ANNIVERSARIES

Michael 'Mick' Kelly, Green Road. Mass on Sunday 18th July in Parish Church at 11:30am.

Yearbook 2021

Preparation for this year's edition is already underway. If you would like to have your story, article, club, association or school news considered for inclusion, email bagenalstownyearbook@gmail.com no later than 1 October 2021. Photographs should be sent as jpegs. Any gueries should be directed to Ann 9722042 or Michael 087-2675661.

Friday and Saturday Anniversary Masses:

Anniversaries

Please put date of which Friday & Saturday you wish your loved ones to be remembered when dropping in Anniversary.

Church Newsletter

Names to be included on newsletter must be in at least **10days** before the Anniversary Mass.

ANNIVERSARIES

James 'Jim' Hickey, Monemore Jim Lyons, 7 Pairc Mhuire Elizabeth Agars, Ballyloughan Mary Lillis, 2 Fairgreen Michael 'Mikey' Dermody Oldtown Sarah Bolger, 13 St. Brigids Crescent Michael Doyle, 13 St. Brigids Crescent Teresa Barron, 67 St. Brigids Crescent Jim & Katie Johnson, The Lodge, Long Range Joe & Mary Moore, Grange, Kilcarrig

These Anniversaries will be prayed for on Friday 23rd & Saturday 24th July at 10:00am Mass in Parish Church.

The Annual Reek Sunday

Pilgrimage will be going ahead this year, albeit in a much extended format from Wednesday to Saturday 1—31 July. The Masses (Wed-Sat) will be limited to 200 people from 5 July. Details of how to fulfil the spiritual requirements of the pilgrimage on www.westportparish.ie and on signage in the carpark at the start. Pilgrims are asked to plan their trip to Croagh Patrick as early as possible and keep in mind that midweek is traditionally a quieter time to climb. Please remember that all Covid19 guidelines and precautions followed on the ground must also be followed on the mountain.

SOME HINTS ON GETTING MARRIED

At the time you enquire about the hotel etc. Check the Church to avoid disappointment. At least 3 months Notice is now required by Church and the State, so call to the Priests earlier rather than later. We suggest that as soon as you finalise plans, to contact the Registrars Office on www.crsappointments.ie for an appointment. For more info go to www.groireland.ie. (Failure to give 3 months notice will necessitate going to the St. Lazerian's Church, Ballinkillen court for permission). Marriage is a very serious step and good preparation is First Friday of the Month at 8:00pm Both Church and State advised. Pre-Marriage recommend some preparation. The Church offers Pre-Courses. Marriage Thev are available in Carlow. Many people have booked their marriage well in advance. We suggest you make an appointment to meet the priest that you wish to do your wedding about 3-6 months before your wedding date to sign Church forms and arrange the Ceremony. If one of the Mon/Tues/Thurs partners is getting married outside their 9:30-5pm / Fri 9:30-12pm parish they need to call to see the priest of their parish to sign Marriage Form, get (Office closed Wednesday) Baptism & Confirmation current Certificates and Letter of Freedom. If couple coming home from outside Ireland they should see Priest in the country they live in who will send papers to the respective Bishops who will send them to the Priest in Bagenalstown. In Bagenalstown parish Weddings may be at times & dates information boards highlight features requested. No weddings on Sundays, Holy Days, or Holy Thursday, Good Friday, or Easter Sat. Please feel free to call to Eleanor at Parish Office or any of the Priests who will be most willing to help you make a happy and Blessed Day.

Fr. Declan

MASS TIMES

St. Andrews Parish Church

Saturday at 6:00pm Sunday at 8:00am, 11:30am & 7:30pm Weekday Masses

Monday – Saturday 10:00am

All Masses in Parish Church may be viewed via Webcam

Mass on Parish Radio 106.9

St. Patrick's Church, Newtown Sunday at 9:00am

First Friday of the Month at 7:00pm

Sunday at 10:00am



NEW Parish Office Hours:

The Lough Derg Pilgrim

The Lough Derg Pilgrim Path on the lough shore is now open daily. The full route is a 12km loop, with a shorter 8km option, and several of particular interest. Leaflets are available at the Visitors Centre. A guided walk experience will be offered on Sunday 25th and Saturday 31st July, with Mass outdoors, weather permitting. Further dates for these guided walks will follow for late August and early September.

HAVE YOU A BABY FOR BAPTISM?

If you have a baby for Baptism, contact Eleanor in the Parish Office 9721154 or email: bagenalstownparish@gmail.com Baptisms are on

EVERY Saturday in Parish Church at 5pm

FIRST Saturday of month in Newtown Church at 4pm

LAST Saturday of month in Ballinkillen Church at 4pm

MAX number attending Baptism is now 10 under the current recommendations.

Are you being called to the **Permanent Diaconate?**

Permanent Deacons are ministers of the Word, the altar and service.

Bishop Denis is inviting expressions of interest in learning more about formation for the Permanent Diaconate in the Diocese of Kildare and Leighlin.

The Permanent Diaconate is open to men aged between 30 and 60 who have a genuine sense of vocation to this calling. Deacons are self-supporting and continue in their family lives and secular employment.

A new programme of discernment and formation for the Permanent Diaconate in the Diocese will commence in October 2021. For further information please contact Rev. John McEvoy before Saturday July 31st. Tel: 059 9161114

Email: permanentdiaconate@kandle.ie

'You did not choose me but I chose you' -John 15:16

St. Vincent De Paul

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