

## **Bagenalstown Parish**

**Bingo** Every Wednesday at 8:00pm in the McGrath Hall. Please come and give your support and enjoy a great night.

## **Eucharistic Adoration**

*Adoration take s place in the Convent every Wednesday.*

## **Leighlinbridge and**

## **District Active Retired:**

Committee Meeting Monday 4th December in Parish Centre at 2 o'clock; Members meeting 2.30. Refreshments followed by a Fun Quiz. A bus is being organised to attend "National Craft and Design Fair" in RDS, Dublin on Tuesday 5th. For enquiries phone Jim 0868116506.

## **Turkey Trot St. Stephen's**

**Day** Starting at 12noon from Lower Stream in aid of Carlow/ Kilkenny Home Care Team. Contact Marjorie Holligan 087 7732407

## **Readers:10th Dec**

Sat 9th December 6:00pm

Helen Wall

Sun 10th December 8:00am

No Reader

Sun 10th December 11:30am

Fintan Higgins

## **Eucharistic Ministers**

Saturday 9th December

6:00pm Team A

Sunday 10th December

8:00am Team A, 11:30am Team A

7:30pm Team A

## **Parish Pilgrimage to**

**Medjugorje** June 7th—14th 2018

Early booking offer: €599pps pay in full before 8th December. €699pps after that date. **Spiritual Director:** Fr Declan Foley. Anyone interested can contact Helen Wall 086-8226930

## **Ballinkillen Lorum Community**

**Centre** Christmas Party Night in the community centre on Saturday 16th Dec @ 8pm. €25 pp. For bookings/ more info. Paddy Farrell 087 2562537 or Mary Farrell 085 7850010 **Bingo** here every Monday night starts @ 8pm. Jackpot €1,350 in 48 numbers.

## **Fun Run, Bake Sale &**

**Christmas Market** (in aid of

Ballinkillen National School Parents' Association) on **Sunday, 10th December** from 10.30a.m. at Ballinkillen Lorum Community Centre. Locally made cakes and crafts for sale. €10 per person / €15 per family to enter Fun Run with spot prizes, refreshments and Santa hats for first 50 entrants.

## **Presentation De La Salle**

**College** Parents Council & Staff

Christmas Raffle Brilliant Prizes! Proceeds will help in the upgrading of Computers in Room 5. Available Rea's, Shop Around, Credit Union, Local Chemists

## **Bagenalstown Senior Citizens**

**Christmas Party** will take place on

Thursday 14th Dec in Doyle's Railway House. If you would like to attend please contact a member of the committee as we will not be distributing invitation this year. Kay 0876230951, Catriona 0857469745.



BAGENALSTOWN - NEWTOWN - BALLINKILLEN  
**'CHURCH NOTICES'**

1st Sunday of Advent 3rd December, 2017

# Sponsor a Slab

## **NEXT MEETING ON MONDAY 4TH DECEMBER**

**AT 7:00PM IN PAROCHIAL HOUSE. ALL WELCOME**

**Sponsor a Slab** - Help us pave the way to a new courtyard for St. Andrew's Church, Bagenalstown. As part of the continued refurbishment work of St. Andrew's Church we are trying to raise €100,000 to upgrade the front courtyard with granite paving slabs. We are looking for people to sponsor a paving slab. All sponsors will have their names listed on a special plaque which will be erected at the end of the project. Alternatively, you can sponsor a slab in memory of a deceased loved one which will also be inscribed on a plaque. **ONLY €20PER SLAB!! Slabs are available at the Parish Office, and also online at** [www.sponsoraslabbagenalstown.com](http://www.sponsoraslabbagenalstown.com) Over **€48,000** has been raised to date. Many thanks to all who have already sponsored a slab.

**Confirmation Preparation Mass** on Thursday 7th December at 7:30pm in Parish Church

**Visit to the Housebound** will be attended to **NEXT** week Monday 11th and Tuesday 12th December.

## **First Holy Communion**

**Preparation Mass** Sunday 10th December

Newtown Church 9:00am Ballinkillen Church 10:00am

Parish Church 11:30am



**Friday 8th December**  
**Holy Day Mass Times**

Bagenalstown—Thursday **7:30pm** Friday 8:00am, 11:30am

Newtown—Friday 7:00pm Ballinkillen—Friday 8:00pm

Parish Office -Eleanor: 059 9721154

Fr Declan Foley: 087 6684299 Fr Declan Thompson: 087 0610473 /059 97 23886

Pamela Whelan (Parish Pastoral Minister): 085 8230207

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[www.kandle.ie](http://www.kandle.ie)

## **PRAY FOR**

**Christopher 'Joe' O'Dwyer**, Moanduff, Old Leighlin.

**Percy Drea**, Wells (*brother of Joe Drea, Kilcarrig*)

## **MONTHS MIND**

**Johnny McNally**, 9 Barrett Street. Mass on Sunday 3rd December at 11:30am in Parish Church.

**Denis Wall**, 29 Eastwood & Donore. Mass on Sunday 3rd December at 7:30pm in Parish Church.

**Mai Roche**, Rathduff. Mass on Sunday 10th December at 11:30am in Parish Church.

**Carmel Farrell**, Long Range. Mass on Sunday 10th December at 7:30pm in Parish Church.

## **FIRST ANNIVERSARIES**

**Brid Doyle**, 6 Fairgreen. Mass on Saturday 2nd December at 6:00pm in Parish Church.

**Brigid 'Breeda' Fenelon**, Ballytarsna. Mass on Sunday 3rd December at 9:00am in Newtown Church.

**John Tierney**, Timbergap. Mass on Saturday 9th December at 6:00pm in Parish Church.

## **First Friday Anniversaries in Ballinkillen 1st December**

Claire Treacy, Ashgrove, Fenagh  
Martin Farrell, Lorum  
Tom Kinsella, Ballinkillen

## **Sponsored Christmas Day**

**Swim/Walk** in aid of Carlow Kilkenny Home Care Team. **Swim** starts **12noon** from steps at pool **Walk** starts **11:30am** from picnic tables. *Support is needed.* Safety first in river. Cards from Mary 085-1521232

## **ANNIVERSARIES**

Brigid Cummins, Kilree & her daughters Lily Kenny, Coill Dubh, Naas & Mary Cummins, Eastwood

Tommy Walsh, Fr Cummins Park

Joe Walsh, Kildrenagh

William 'Bill' Foster, 9 Conway Park

Bernadette Doyle, 14 Eastwood

James & Peg Jordan, Church Road

Bridie Cody, 52 Conway Park

Lily Gallagher, Donegal Town

Noreen Dalton, Kilcarrig Street

Mary Doyle, 13 St. Brigids Crescent

Tom Rudkins, Royal Oak

Johnny Hogan, 24 Pairc Mhuire

Deceased members of Hogan Family

Pat Kirwan, Slyguff

John Smith, 82 Fr Cummins Park

Peter Cody, 84 St. Brigids Crescent

Matt & Mary Jordan, Knockroe, Rathanna

James & Lucy Treacy, Ballymartin

Bill & Josie Power, St. Brigids Crescent

Chrissie & Patsy Tobin, Kildrenagh

Richard Hickey, 3 St. Brigids Crescent

*These Anniversaries will be prayed for on Friday 8th (Holy Day) at 11:30am & Saturday 9th December at 10:00am Mass in Parish Church.*

## **PARISH YEAR BOOK 2017**

A really good read, with plenty of interesting articles and photos. Limited copies available, so get yours now! On sale in usual outlets at €6.

**ENVELOPE COLLECTION** Total weekly envelope collection: **€1,154.**

**Winner of €33 is James & Vera Doyle, 74 Pairc Mhuire**

**St. Vincent De Paul**  
Local helpline no. 086-4042631

## **First Friday Anniversaries in Newtown 1st December**

June Moran, Nurney

Patrick Moran, Nurney

Nellie Moran, Nurney

Edward Moran, Nurney

Patrick Brenan, Newtown, Nurney

Mick & Maura Thompson, Newtown

Andrew & MaryAnne Byrne,

Ballydarton, their son Andrew & their daughters-in-law Christina, Catherine & Theresa

Josie & Mamie Murphy, Augha

James Phelan, Nurney

Chrissie & Patsy Tobin, Kildrenagh

Bridie Aughey, Boherduff

Ellen Dowling, Clonegath

Ann Dowling, Clonegath

Tom Bermingham, Ballytarsna

Claire Treacy, Ashgrove, Fenagh

Baby Noah O'Mara, Tullow

Frank O'Hara, Lower Upton, Fenagh

Deceased members of Fenagh Football Club

Kate Murphy, Tullow Road, Nurney

Patrick Hickey, Rathercan

Frances O'Brien, Boherduff

Charlie & Ann O'Donnell, Moone

Patrick & Mary Nolan, 65 Pairc Mhuire

Michael Nolan, Birmingham

## **Christmas Craft Fair**

A total of **€317** was raised for the Sponsor a Slab fundraiser. Many thanks to all who came to support and to all who donated or helped in any way. *Linda & Lorraine.*

## **Christmas Carol Service**

*"Child of Peace"* In the company of local choirs, school children and musicians **December 10th at 8:15pm in St. Andrew's Church.** No adm charge. *Collection made in aid of local charities. Please join us!!*

## **St. Vincent De Paul Annual**

Church Gate Collection will be on **Saturday 9th & Sunday 10th December** at all Masses in the Parish. Please give your support.

**Bagenalstown Cardiac First Responders** Church Gate Collection on Saturday 2nd & Sunday 3rd December. *Please give your support.*

**Coláiste Aindriú** Presents

**'CINDERELLA MEETS A SPANISH FELLA'** On Tuesday **12th December @ 7.30pm**

In the School Gym Ad €7 Child €5 *Proceeds to Cystic Fibrosis*

**Newtown Fenagh Nurney Senior citizens Group** will hold their annual Christmas Party in the Lord Bagenal Hotel on Sunday 17th December @ 1.30pm. If you wish to attend please contact one of our committee. We'd like to remind all those over 65 in our area that grants are available now for personal panic alarms. The first year monitoring fee is free and from the end of the first year a small charge of €65 is charged for monitoring. If you wish to apply for an alarm contact Maria Nolan 0872369031. **Next committee meeting** on Tues 5th Dec @ 8pm in Newtown National School.

The **Parents Council of St. Brigid's N.S.** Wish to thank everyone for their kind & generous support for our Flag Days recently.

**Ballinkillen Lorum Community Centre** are looking for 2 Tus worker (cleaner & caretaker) in the hall. Applicants must be on the live register for 12 months and in receipt of Job Seekers allowance. Contact Tus Supervisor on 086 0223211. Also wanted is someone for a RSS scheme (*must have a herd number or a family members will do either*).