

Eucharistic Adoration

Exposition will resume on
January 17th 11am-6pm.

Parish Pilgrimage to

Medjugorje June 7th—14th 2018
€699pps Spiritual Director: Fr Declan
Foley. Anyone interested can
contact **Helen Wall 086-8226930**

Volunteer notice

The World Meeting of Families 2018 will attract thousands of Irish and International pilgrims. Organising it and seeing it through will only be possible with the help of thousands of volunteers. Why not make volunteering for WMOF2018 a New Year's resolution for 2018? You can sign up on www.worldmeeting2018.ie, e: volunteer@worldmeeting2018.ie or call (01) 5676800.

Readers:21st Jan

Sat 20th January 6:00pm

Graham Pender

Sun 21st January 11:30am

Fintan Higgins

Eucharistic Ministers

Saturday 20th January

6:00pm Team B

Sunday 21st January

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

7:30pm Team B

Ballinkillen Lorum Community

Centre Bingo here every Monday night starts @ 8pm. Jackpot €1,000 in 40 numbers.

Bagenalstown Senior Citizens

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*).

First Holy Communion

2018

Newtown/Dunleckney N.S. on Saturday 5th May 2018 at 11am in Newtown Church

Garyhill N.S. on Sunday 13th May 2018 at 11:30am in St. Andrews Parish Church

St. Brigid Boys N.S. and Queen of the Universe Girls N.S. on Saturday 19th May 2018 at 11am in St. Andrews Parish Church

Nurney N.S. on Sunday 20th May 2018 at 11:00am in Newtown Church

Ballinkillen N.S. on Saturday 26th May 2018 at 11am in Ballinkillen Church.

Confirmation Day

2018

Saturday 21st April at 11:00am

BAGENALSTOWN - NEWTOWN - BALLINKILLEN

'CHURCH NOTICES'

World Day of Migrants & Refugees 14th January, 2018

Sponsor a Slab

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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 083-8609921, Parish Office and also online at www.sponsoraslabbagenalstown.com

Many thanks to all who have already sponsored a slab.

APOLOGIES: Visit to the Housebound will now take place after the 1st Friday in February. Apologies for any inconvenience caused.

First Holy Communion

Preparation Mass Sunday 14th January

Newtown Church 9:00am Ballinkillen Church 10:00am
Parish Church 11:30am.

Are you grieving for a loved one?

The Parish have a team of people who have been professionally trained to support all parishioners who have been bereaved. A letter offering this confidential support is sent out to one member of the Bereaved family where the funeral has taken place in Bagenalstown Parish. This support is also available to all members of the family and to bereaved parishioners where the funeral has not taken place in Bagenalstown. If you would like to avail of this support please phone Rita O'Quigley 9131323 or Eleanor in the Parish Office 9721154 who will make the arrangements for someone to call to you.

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

Email: bagenalstownparish@gmail.com www.bagenalstownparish.ie

www.kandle.ie

PRAY FOR

Sr. Rosarii Ring, Presentation Convent, Long Range who was interred here during the week.

Elsie Crosbie, Sussex, England. (*Aunt of Eileen Bateman, Ballaghaderneen*)

Mikey O'Regan, Killeslin Road, Graiguecullen (*father of Marie Mara, Kilree Street*)

MONTHS AHEAD

Francis Kearney, Lorum. Mass on Sunday 14th January at 10:00am in Ballinkillen Church.

FIRST ANNIVERSARIES

Marona O'Donoghue, Oak Grove. Mass on Sunday 14th January at 11:30am in Parish Church.

Sally Farrell, Pairc Mhuire. Mass on Sunday 21st January at 11:30am in Parish Church.

ENVELOPE COLLECTION

Total weekly envelope collection: €1,265
Winner of €33 is Sean Dalton, Corries

Blood Donation Clinic: The Lord Bagenal Hotel, Leighlinbridge Monday 15th January & Tuesday 16th January from 4:30pm-8:00pm. giveblood.ie

Muinebheag Camogie Club

A.G.M. will be held on Friday 19th January at 8:00pm in Bagenalstown Community Centre. *All welcome*

Protect the 8th talk and training

Carlow with Kate Lawlor, Paddy Manning and Michael Dwyer of Family & Life on **Monday January 22nd** at Seven Oaks Hotel at 7:30pm. *All welcome!*

ANNIVERSARIES

Gertrude & Patrick Doorley, Kilree Street

Jim Armstrong, Kilree Street

Margaret Dillon, Pairc Mhuire

John O'Riordan, Regent Street

Jim Doyle, Kilcarrig Street

Desmond Quinn, Bachelors Walk

Mary Thompson, Carrigbeg

Bridie Thompson, Carrigbeg

Kate Kennedy, Wales

Patrick Kelly, 3 Station Road

Kathleen Buckley nee Johnson, Surrey & St. Brigids Crescent

Tommy Meaney, Ballyloughan

Annie Fleming, Cranaha, Fenagh

Monique McDonnell, Kilree

Esther Moloney, Oldtown

Michael & Teresa Finnerty, Loughrea

Daniel O'Sullivan, 32 Conway Park

Tom Casey, Railway Road

Bridget Coleman

Margaret Doyle, Fr Cummins Park

These Anniversaries will be prayed for on Friday 19th & Saturday 20th January at 10:00am Mass in Parish Church.

St. Vincent De Paul

Local helpline no. 086-4042631

THANKS!!

The local St. Vincent De Paul Society would like to thank everyone who contributed so generously to the Annual Christmas Appeal. The Annual Church Gate Collection in Bagenalstown, Ballinkillen and Newtown raised **€3,283**

Recycle Christmas Tree FREE

Are you taking down the decorations? Do you have you a real Christmas Tree? You can recycle your Christmas tree for FREE at Powerstown landfill, Kilkenny Road until 31st January 2018

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 court for permission). Marriage is a very serious step and good preparation is advised. Both Church and State recommend some Pre-Marriage preparation. The Church offers Pre-Marriage Courses. They 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 partners is getting married outside their parish they need to call to see the priest of their parish to sign Marriage Form, get current Baptism & Confirmation 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 requested. No weddings on Sundays, Holy Days, or Holy Thursday, Good Friday, or Easter Saturday 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

"Ballinkillen Area

Community Alert AGM will take place on Friday 19th January at 8:30pm in the Ballinkillen/Lorum Community Centre. Carlow/Kilkenny Crime Prevention Officer Sgt Peter McConnon will be in attendance on the night to discuss Crime Prevention and Safety in the Home and Local Community. Refreshments served. **ALL WELCOME."**

PARISH WEBSITE

www.bagenalstownparish.ie

Reminder that our website is still very active and updated on a weekly basis. We encourage all to **visit the site and to pass on our address to relatives and friends abroad so they can keep up to date with local news.** If you have any info that you would like to put on the site you can drop it into the office or else EMAIL: **bagenalstownparish@gmail.com**

Leighlinbridge and District Active

Retired: Meeting Monday 15th in Parish Centre at 2.30. Refreshments followed by Session 1 of a Music and Singing Course with Carol Shirley. Registration Subscription due this month please. Bowls as usual each Thursday and Friday also in Parish Centre at 2.30.

Carlow MABS Ltd (Money Advice &

Budgeting Service)72d Tullow Street, Carlow 076 107 2070**Free, independent and confidential, Money Management and Advice Service** Assisting people in dealing with their existing debts/mortgage and helping them to begin to manage their own resources.

MABS offers FREE Debt Relief Advice under Personal Insolvency options **Community Education Programmes** provided for Transition/Leaving Cert Students & Community Groups