

**St Vincent De Paul Society**  
will hold their *Annual Church Gate Collection* at all the Masses in the Parish this Sunday 11th December. Please be generous and support this worthy cause.

**St. Vincent De Paul  
Local Help Line-**  
**0864042631**

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

### **ENVELOPE COLLECTION**

Total weekly envelope collection:  
€1,225 *Winner of €33 is*  
**Killian & Mary Collins,**  
**57 Conway Park**

### **Readers: 18th December**

**Sat 17th December 6:00pm**  
Katie O'Neill

**Sun 18th December 8:00am**  
Paddy Robinson

**Sun 18th December 11:30am**  
Michelle Bridgett

### **Eucharistic Ministers**

**Saturday 17th December**  
6:00pm Team B

**Sunday 18th December**  
8:00am Team B, 11:30am Team A  
7:30pm Team B

### **Parish Pilgrimage to Medjugorje**

May 31st—June 7th 2017

Early booking offer: €619pps pay in  
full before 9th December.

€719pps after that date.

Spiritual Director: Fr Declan Foley.  
Anyone interested can contact  
Helen Wall 086-8226930.

### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

Patrick (Paddy) Doyle, Carrignafecka,  
Garryhill. We, The Doyle family, would  
like to thank most sincerely everyone who  
sympathised and supported us on our recent  
sad loss. We wish to express our deep ap-  
preciation to all those who called to the  
house, travelled long distances, sent mass  
cards, messages of sympathy, flowers and  
attended the funeral and burial. We will  
never forget the goodwill and warmth of our  
friends and wonderful neighbours who  
helped with teas, brought food and helped in  
any way at the house. Our sincere thanks to  
Fr. Tom O'Byrne PP Myshall for the beauti-  
ful mass which honoured Paddy's life.

Thanks also to Fr. Philip O'Shea, Fr. Pierce  
Murphy, Fr. Shem Furlong and Fr. Rory  
Nolan PP who assisted, the Sacristan and  
alter servers. To Bernadette and Alan for  
their beautiful music, To the gravediggers  
and the committee of Drumphea Communi-  
ty Centre. To Kearney undertakers for their  
professionalism and courtesy. As it would  
be impossible to thank everybody individ-  
ually, please accept this acknowledgement as  
a token of our heartfelt appreciation. The  
Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered  
for your intentions. **MONTHS MIND**

**MASS:** Mass for Paddy will be held at  
7.30pm on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2016 in St.  
Lazerian's Church, Drumphea.



Parish of Bagenalstown-Newtown-Ballinkillen

**3rd Sunday of Advent**

### **Church Notices**

11th December, 2016

### **PRAY FOR**

**Bríd Doyle**, Fairgreen who was interred here last Sunday.  
**John Tierney**, Timbergap, Ballinkillen who was interred  
here on Friday.

**Anna Kutty**, Kerala, India (*mother of Sebi Kutty, Granite Court, Fenagh*)

### **MONTHS MIND**

**Mary Bolton**, Slyguff. Mass on Sunday 11th December at 10am  
in Ballinkillen Church.

**Maureen Cowman**, Ballymoon. Mass on Sunday 11th December  
at 11:30am in Parish Church.

### **FIRST ANNIVERSARIES**

**Ned Lyons**, Oldtown. Mass on Saturday 10th December at  
6:00pm in Parish Church.

**Joseph O'Brien**, Fenagh. Mass on Sunday 18th December at  
11:30am in Parish Church.

### **Visit to the Housebound will be attended**

### **Monday 12th & Tuesday 13th December**

**Monday** — Town Area

**Tuesday** — Kilcarrig, Bohermore, Fenagh, Newtown,  
Ballytarsna, Nurney, Oldtown, Rathduff

**Tuesday**—Borris Road, Ballinkillen, Killoughternane, Garyhill

**Reach Out Christmas Card with Prayer card**  
**available in all churches.**

### **SERVICE OF RECONCILIATION (PENITENTIAL SERVICE)**

**SUNDAY 18<sup>th</sup> December**  
**in Parish Church Bagenalstown 7:30pm**

Parish Office -Eleanor: 059 9721154  
Fr Declan Foley: 087 6684299 Fr Declan Thompson: 087 0610473 /059 97 23886  
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[www.kandle.ie](http://www.kandle.ie)

## **ANNIVERSARIES**

Peter Hickey, Ballymoon  
Kathleen & Gerry Aughney, Kilcarrig  
Elizabeth Monaghan, 24 Kilcarrig Street  
Lily Walsh, 5 Fairgreen  
Lily Kenny, Naas & Kilree  
Patrick Nolan, Pairc Mhuire  
Judy O'Brien, 34 Conway Park  
Michael Rudkins, Upper Kilree Street  
Richard Hickey, 3 St. Brigids Crescent  
Lily Gallagher & Family, Donegal  
Josephine Byrne, 14 Fr Cummins Park  
Tony Janey, Garyhondon House  
Peter & Mary Hughes, Rathduff  
Bernadette Gough, Kilree Street  
William Tobin, Kilcarrig Street  
Terrie Kavanagh, Pairc Mhuire  
Kathleen Cummins, Ballywilliamroe  
James Cummins, Ballywilliamroe  
William Cummins, Ballywilliamroe  
Tom Rudkins, Royal Oak  
*These Anniversaries will be prayed for on Friday 16th & Saturday 17th December at 10:00am Mass in Parish Church.*

**Fun Run, Bake Sale & Christmas Market** (in aid of Ballinkillen N.S. Parents' Assoc.) on Sunday, 11th 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.

**24th Sponsored Christmas Day Swim/Walk** in aid of Carlow/Kilkenny Home Care Team "Palliative Care" Walk at 11:30am from Picnic tables, around Green Road. Swim at 12noon at steps. Safety First. For Sponsor Cards contact Mary 085-1521232

## **PSLSB Parents Council Christmas Draw**

**1st Prize** Large Hamper, **2nd** Cosmetic Hamper, **3rd** Sports Hamper, **4th** Sports Hamper, **5th** Homemade Christmas Cake, **6th** Homemade Pudding, *Tickets 3 for €5 from School office or Parents Council. Please support.*

## **Christmas Carol Service**

Our Lady's National School, Nurney are having their **Christmas Carol Service** in St. John's Church, Nurney on Tuesday, 20th December. All are welcome

## **Bagenalstown Vocational School Variety Show**

Tuesday 13th December @ 7.30pm in the Gym. Adults €5/ Children €2.

## **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

## **Leighlinbridge and District Active Retired**

Meeting Monday 12th at 2.30 in Parish Centre for our Christmas Ecumenical Service. This is followed by a party in the Day Room. All members welcome. South East Regional Act. Ret. are organising a 3-night trip to Clifton Hotel Connemara April 3rd, 4th and 5th. Cost is €199 and they need names and a €50 deposit before Christmas. If interested ring secretary Madeleine 0864080286.

## **Ballinkillen Lorum Community Centre**

Bingo here every Monday night starts @ 8pm. Jackpot €2,600 in 48 numbers

## **SERVICE OF RECONCILIATION (PENITENTIAL SERVICE)**

18<sup>th</sup> December Bagenalstown  
7.30pm

## **CONFESSION TIMES**

24<sup>th</sup> December Bagenalstown  
10.30am - 11.30am

## **CHRISTMAS EVE**

### **MASS TIMES**

Bagenalstown - 6:00pm

Newtown - 7:00pm

Ballinkillen - 8:00pm

## **CHRISTMAS DAY**

Bagenalstown - 9:00am,  
11:30am (No evening Mass)

Newtown - 10:00am

Ballinkillen - 10:00am

## **ST.STEPHEN'S DAY - MASS**

Bagenalstown - 10.00am

## **SUNDAY 1ST JANUARY**

As normal

## **FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY**

Bagenalstown 5th Jan - 6:00pm

Bagenalstown 6th Jan - 8:00am,

11:30am (No evening Mass)

Newtown 6th Jan - 7:00pm

Ballinkillen 6th Jan - 8:00pm

## **DON'T BE LONELY THIS CHRISTMAS**

**Senior Help Line**, Ireland's only national listening service for older people, will be open every day over Christmas and the New Year from 10 am to 10 pm. We are here to take your call if you are on your own, feeling isolated, worried or would like someone to talk to. Christmas can be a sad time for many people, and in the midst of apparent universal gaiety, some of us can feel very alone. Senior Help Line volunteers are trained older people who understand the ups and downs of life, and are happy to listen, to keep company and to support. **So let us put the companionship into Christmas this year. LoCall 1850 440 444, no call costs more than 30 cents. All calls completely confidential.**

## **Leighlin Parish Development Ltd CE Scheme**

are currently recruiting for their new scheme due to start in February 2017. We currently have the following vacancies, 1 Care Support Worker in Leighlin, 1 Admin Assistant in Leighlin, 1 Book-keeper in Leighlin, 1 Environmental Operative in Leighlin, 2 Environmental Operatives in Bagenalstown and 2 Environmental Operatives in the Family Resource Centre also in Bagenalstown. If you are aged 25years or over and currently in receipt of a Social Welfare payment for 12months or more you are eligible to participate on a Community Employment Scheme, why not make an enquiry with us today and see if you are eligible. Please contact John Doran on 086-1616507 or Karen Plant in the office for an Application Form on 086-8247767