

**Ballinkillen Lorum  
Community Centre**

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

**Ballinkillen GAA**

**Development Club** are holding a fundraiser in Lyrath on **9th March**. It will be a great night full of fashion, beauty, skincare and wellness advice. MC on the night is Sinead De Butler. There will be a drinks reception with Silver Spear Gin with music & DJ from Helter Skelter. Tickets are on sale now through Eventbrite at €40 each. Any further details can be found on our website [www.beautyandthebash.com](http://www.beautyandthebash.com) It's for a great local cause so please come & support.

**Readers:3rd March**

**Sat 2nd March 6:00pm**  
Pascal O'Dea  
**Sun 3rd March 11:30am**  
Fintan Higgins

**Eucharistic Ministers**

**Saturday 2nd March**  
**6:00pm** Team A  
**Sunday 3rd March**  
**8:00am** Team A, **11:30am** Team A  
**7:30pm** Team A

**PDL SB—Parents**

**Association TABLE QUIZ**

On Thursday 7th March in Doyle's Railway House at 8:00pm. Table of 4 €20 in aid of the school Sports Dept. and Breakfast Club.

**Eucharistic Adoration**

In the Convent every Wednesday. All welcome.

**Eucharistic Adoration-**

Every Tuesday from 12noon to 3pm in Our Lady's Chapel in Parish Church. *All welcome.*

**Carlow College,**

**St Patrick's Book Fair**

All book buyers and sellers welcome to this public event Wednesday 27th February, 10am to 7pm, For details contact:

Dr Thomas Mc Grath, 059 9153200  
[vpacademic@CarlowCollege.ie](mailto:vpacademic@CarlowCollege.ie)

**Diocesan Adoration**

**Committee** Invite you to a day of prayer held in Mount Saint Anne's Retreat and Conference Centre Killenard, Co. Laois. On Saturday 9th March 2019 to begin at 9:45 am. This is a follow up of our prayer day held in Portlaoise Parish Centre last year. Refreshments served. All are welcome.

**Christmas Day Sponsored**

**Swim/Walk** in aid of Carlow Kilkenny Home Care Team. Presentation of Cheque on 5th March in Doyle's Railway House at 9:00pm. Nurse will attend. Please return end of cards to Mary.

**BAGENALSTOWN - NEWTOWN - BALLINKILLEN**

*Church Notices*

7th Sunday of Year

24th February, 2019

**Novena 2019**

Tuesday 16th April 7 nights  
Parish Church

Tuesday 5th March -  
At 7:30pm in St. Andrew's

**5th March** James Mahon Santa Maria Ministries

**12th March** Vicky Hall Every Life Counts

**19th March** Aidan Byrne Healing Ministry

**26th March** Neil Foley

C.A.F.E Catholic Adult Formation & Education

**2nd April** Sr Consilio Cuan Mhuire

**9th April** Holy Family Mission House

Formation for Young People

**16th April** Trócaire

Catholic Aid Agency

. **Fr. Pierce Murphy RIP.** We deeply appreciate the wonderful support given to the family of the late Fr. Pierce last weekend. To all those involved in Ballinkillen on Sunday and in Bagenalstown on Monday and to the participants from Newtown who provided stewards for the funeral. Thanks to the generosity of Ballinkillen/Lorum Community Centre and Bagenalstown Community Centre for providing refreshments to the many hundreds of visitors. To the Gaa clubs, Gardai and Civil Defence for managing the traffic. To all who participated in the ceremonies a big thank you.

**Confirmation Preparation Mass**

on Thursday 28th February at 7:30pm in Parish Church

**FIRST FRIDAY Mass 1st March**

Mass in Newtown Church at 7:00pm

Mass in Ballinkillen Church at 8:00pm

**Towards Peace**

is a service offering spiritual support to those who have experienced abuse perpetrated by Church personnel, individually or institutionally. The vision of Towards Peace is to provide a safe supportive space for people and their families, whose spiritual life has been damaged by abuse. It is also a response to the continually growing understanding of the spiritual impact of the trauma of abuse. Towards Peace provides spiritual support through one-to-one spiritual direction sessions, with a qualified spiritual companion. If you have been abused and would like a space to reflect on the impact of the trauma of abuse on your own relationship with God and spirituality, Towards Peace is here for you. [www.towardspeace.ie](http://www.towardspeace.ie) Tel: 01 505 3028. Mobile: 086 7710533  
Up to twelve sessions are available and there is no fee.

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

## **Pray for**

Lily Dermody, 80 Pairc Mhuire who was interred here on Thursday.

**Sr. Brigid McEvoy**, Carmelites, Malahide & Ballinree.

## **First Anniversaries**

**Remmy Quinn**, Bachelors Walk. Mass on Saturday 23rd February at 6:00pm in Parish Church.

**Mary-Anne Finlow nee Dolly McGrath**, 28 Eastwood. Mass on Sunday 24th February at 11:30am in Parish Church.

**Larry Doyle**, 14 Eastwood. Mass on Saturday 2nd March at 6:00pm in Parish Church.

**John Mahony**, Ratheadon. Mass on Sunday 3rd March at 9:00am in Newtown Church.

**Margaret 'Peg' Hickey**, 12 St. Brigids Crescent. Mass on Sunday 3rd March at 11:30am in Parish Church.

## **ANNIVERSARIES**

Thomas, Margaret & Thomas Dillon jnr, St. Brigids Crescent

Liam Corcoran, 2 Pairc Mhuire

Tom Hickey, 12 St. Brigids Crescent

John Condren, Ratheadon

Johnny Williams, 22 Conway Park

Jim O'Kane, 16 Maple Drive

Patricia Farrell nee Hickey, Ballymoon

Johnny Hickey, Ballymoon

Mary-Catherine Monaghan, Royal Oak Road

Sheila Walsh, Seskinryan

Anne Agars, Ballyloughan

Kathleen Kennedy, 17 St. Brigids Crescent

Patrick & Michael O'Reilly, Fairgreen

Baby Michael Gaynor, Kilree

James Dermody, Oldtown

Danny Broderick, 61 Conway Park

*These Anniversaries will be prayed for on Friday 1st & Saturday 2nd March at 10am Mass in Parish Church*

## **First Friday Anniversaries in Newtown 1st March at 7:00pm**

Owen O'Rourke, Augha

Michael Murphy, Boherduff

Margaret & Brendan Doorley, Ballyryan

Betty Murphy, Ballywilliamroe

Noel Nolan, Kilconnor

Gerard Cox, Bagenalstown

Catherine Murray, Ballaghaderneen

Sr. Mary Veronica Murray, Cambridge & Ballaghaderneen

Annie 'Nancy' Brooks, 2 Ashgrove, Fenagh

Elizabeth Hickey, Rathercan

Edward & Mary-Ann Treacy, Boherduff

Mary O'Brien, Boherduff

Eileen Aughney, Newtown

Jim & Paddy Curran, Boherduff

## **First Friday Anniversaries in Ballinkillen 1st March at 8:00pm**

John & Brigid Connors, Timbergap

Tom & Brigid Kane, Curranree

Maureen Connors, Ballyloughan

Katie Bolger, Coolnacuppogue

Kate Cullen, Coolnacuppogue

Jimmy & May Murphy & their daughter Maria Hayden, Clowater, Borris

Jim English, Seskinryan

Patrick Kelly, Kilcruit

Sarah Farrell, Ballinkillen

Mary & Paul O'Shea, Kenmare, Kerry

Kenneth Rich, Hertfordshire, England

## **Bagenalstown Family**

**Resource Centre** will be holding there Annual General Meeting (AGM) on Wednesday 27th at 7 pm.

*All welcome to attend.*

## **Bagenalstown Parish Yearbook 2019: Tell Us Your Story Or News**

With the ink barely dry on the 2018 Yearbook 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, please email it to

[bagenalstownyearbook@gmail.com](mailto:bagenalstownyearbook@gmail.com) no later than 1 October 2019. Photographs should be sent as jpegs. More of an editor or typesetter than a story teller or newsgatherer?

The Yearbook committee would love to hear from you too. Just drop them a line on the above email. Any queries should be directed to Ann 9722042 or Michael 087-2675661 in the first instance. Thank you to everyone who took the time to contribute to our highly successful 2018 Yearbook and we look forward to reading and sharing your stories, articles and news in 2019.

## **Gathering of parishes preparing older children for baptism**

The Diocesan Commission for Liturgical Formation intends hosting an evening in June for parish teams who are currently preparing older children for baptism. The purpose is to share and learn from experiences on the ground, as well as to share any useful resources. It is hoped that the night will serve as a support to those involved. It is further hoped that the learning and insights gained from current practice will be a valuable future aid to parishes across our diocese.

**For this evening to be of any future value we need people who have this experience to come!** To this end, we are asking the relevant parish teams to contact **Christine in Faith Development Services (0599164084 / [fds@kandle.ie](mailto:fds@kandle.ie))** as soon as possible to let us know that your parish is interested. When we have a number of parishes we will then schedule the evening and let you know.

**Kildare & Leighlin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2019** led by Bishop Denis Nulty. 1st August 2019 5 Nights €759pps. Pilgrimage Director Fr Paddy Byrne, For bookings contact Joe Walsh Tours01-2410802 [info@joewalshstours.ie](mailto:info@joewalshstours.ie)

## **ENVELOPE COLLECTION**

Total weekly envelope collection:

**€1,165 Winner of €33 is Dan & Geraldine Maher, Donore**

If you are a cancer survivor **Eist Cancer Support Centre** will be running mindfulness and nutrition courses in March. If you would like to avail of either of these courses please contact the Centre on 059 9139684.

**Choral Society** are hosting in association with Carlow Lions Club a Music and Social Dance Night. It takes place on Tuesday 26th of February at 9,30pm in the Seven Oaks Hotel, Carlow. Admission €8 from members and on the night. Raffle on the night. Join us for a fun night. Music by John & Terry. All welcome.

## **Leighlinbridge and District Active Retired:**

Meeting Monday 25th in Parish Centre at 2.30. Refreshments followed by Session 4 of Chair Yoga with Helen Jeffers. Our Annual Lunch Dance in Lord Bagenal Hotel this Sunday 24th at 1pm. Members and friends welcome. Looking forward to meeting many of you.

An outing to Limerick on April 24th is being planned. Cost of €64 includes tea-break, a visit to King John's Castle and a 4-course meal. Deposits of €25 by March 1st. If interested phone Madeleine 086 4080286. Bowls as usual each Thursday and Friday at 2.30. Registration still being accepted please.