

Eucharistic Adoration

NO Exposition until
January 17th.

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: 14th Jan

Sat 13th January 6:00pm
Pascal O'Dea
Sun 14th January 11:30am
Joe Feeley

Eucharistic Ministers

Saturday 13th January
6:00pm Team A
Sunday 14th January
8:00am Team A, 11:30am Team A
7:30pm Team A

Ballinkillen Lorum Community

Centre Bingo here every Monday night starts @ 8pm. Jackpot €1,050 in 48 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'
Baptism of Our Lord 7th 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.

Bagenalstown Parish would like to acknowledge the very generous contribution to the Parish Funds in support of the Church Yard from the Bagenalstown Bingo Committee.

First Holy Communion

Preparation Mass Sunday 14th January
Newtown Church 9:00am Ballinkillen Church 10:00am
Parish Church 11:30am.

Visit to the Housebound will be attended NEXT WEEK

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

Alec Weir, Pairc Mhuire who was interred in Paulstown on Wednesday.
Breda Bashorum nee Flynn, Royal Oak who was interred in Kilkenny.

MONTHS AID

Francis Kearney, Lorum. Mass on Sunday 14th January in Ballinkillen Church.

FIRST ANNIVERSARIES

Dominic Kiely, 22 Fr Cummins Park. And **Sarah Sadie Walsh** 61 St. Brigids Crescent, Mass on Saturday 6th January at 6:00pm in Parish Church.
Bridie Murphy, Kilgreaney. Mass on Sunday 7th January at 10am in Ballinkillen Church.
Tilly Monaghan, Kilcarrig Street. Mass on Sunday 7th January at 11:30am in Parish Church.
Marona O'Donoghue, Oak Grove. Mass on Sunday 14th January at 11:30am in Parish Church.

ENVELOPE COLLECTION

Total weekly envelope collection: **€2,515**
Winner of €33 is
Mrs Lily Galway, Oldtown

First Friday Anniversaries 5th January in Ballinkillen

Nuala Cummins, Skahanrane
Jack & Kate Kane, Knockullard & their sons Mick & Martin
Patrick Redmond, Ballinkillen

First Friday Anniversaries 5th January in Newtown

Joseph Rafter, Kilconnor
Patrick Smyth, Newtown

ANNIVERSARIES

Ann Maher, Slyguff
Mary Maher, Slyguff
Christy Kane, 72 Pairc Mhuire
Michael Brophy, 53 St. Brigids Crescent
Michael Quinn, Slieverue & Borris
Deceased Members & Players of Erin's Own Hurling Club
Liam Byrne, Pairc Mhuire & Ardattin
Eduardo Bermillo, Philippines
William Corrigan, Kilree
Michael & Frank Byrne, Rathellan Lane
Michael Ward, Ballinakill
Johnny Ward, Ballinakill
Tommy Kealy, Ballinakill
Harry Taylor, Royal Oak Road
John Wall, Ballycormack

These Anniversaries will be prayed for on Friday 12th & Saturday 13th January at 10:00am Mass in Parish Church.

25th Sponsored Christmas Day Swim/Walk

In aid of Carlow Kilkenny Home Care Team Congratulations and thanks to the 19 swimmers and all walkers who took part in the heavy rain. Thanks to Teresa for hot drinks, lifeguards, Power family, McNally family, Margaret for photos. Cards and donations to Mary, all goes to help those not so well in our area.

St. Vincent De Paul

Local helpline no. 086-4042631

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
(Offer available Powerstown regular opening time only)

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

Registration Notice Registration for all WMOF2018 events is open via www.worldmeeting2018.ie. Individual pilgrims and families can now register for the main three-day WMOF2018 Congress from August 22nd – 24th, guaranteeing your ticket(s) for the Festival of Families on Saturday 25th August and for the Closing Mass on Sunday, 26th August. Don't miss out on these once in a generation events.
REGISTE NOW! www.worldmeeting2018.ie
Samaritans support lines are available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, offering non-judgemental and confidential support whenever you need us. Free-phone 116123, Text 087-2609090, email jo@samaritans.org

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: Committee Meeting

Monday 8th in Parish Centre at 2 o'clock. Members Meeting 2.30. Refreshments followed by a Bingo session. Bowls as usual each Thurs and Fri also in Parish Centre at 2.30. New members welcome.