

Parish Pilgrimage Lourdes Trip
Saturday 22nd September 2012—5
Nights Price €779 per person. Accommodation is at the Hotel Jeanne D'Arc. A deposit of €200 is required to secure your place and balance 15 weeks before departure on 22nd September. Any queries contact Top Class Travel -059-9164849

Pilgrimage to Medjugorje
June 27th-July 4th 2012

Early Booking Offer €100 off if paid in full by Feb 1st 2012 €629 Full Price Offer €529 Accompanied by Spiritual Director. Anyone interested can contact Helen 9723621 /086 8226930

19th Christmas Day Sponsored

Swim/Walk in Aid of Carlow/Kilkenny Home Care Team. 25 Swimmers took part and a big number of walkers. Thanks to all for their support and who came on the day. Thanks to the sponsors, lifeguards and all who helped in any way. ***Please return sponsor cards to Mary.***

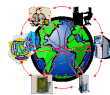


St. Vincent De Paul
 Local Help Line—
 0864042631



Confidential Bereavement

Support offered. If you have been bereaved and would like someone to call. You may contact Rita O'Quigley 9131323 or Eleanor in Parish Office 9721154
Bagenalstown Bereavement Support Group



Bagenalstown Parish takes pride in reaching out to its parishioners and diaspora throughout the world

via social media. *Please feel free to connect with us via our web page:*



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Start the New Year with
Prayer

BAGENALSTOWN - NEWTOWN - BALLINKILLEN
'CHURCH NOTICES'
Baptism of our Lord **8th January, 2012**



Dear Lord

Dear Lord, as I close the door on this old year, I ponder on the things I've done... on the things I've said and the joys I've had... then I wonder, have I lost or won?

I've thought of the new friends I have made, and of the old ones staunch and true... the path of the old year was made easier Lord, because I have walked it with You.

I think of all the many times, when my burdens were so heavy to bear, and how my faith slipped away from me... but somehow You were always standing there



Now as I open the door to this New Year, and carefully peep inside, I wonder what it holds for me... but I'll throw the door open wide

And whatever it brings to me and mine, I'll meet it with a heart so true... I know that, Lord whate'er it may be You'll be there to carry me through.

PRAY

~Mrs. Merrel Thompson

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PRAY FOR

Lucy Fogarty, Kilcarrig who was interred here on Tuesday

MONTHS MIND

Elsie Cummins, Nurney. Mass in Newtown Church on Sunday 8th January at 9:00am.

1ST ANNIVERSARY

Harry Taylor, Oak Grove. Mass in Parish Church on Saturday 14th January at 6:00pm.

ENVELOPE COLLECTION

Total €2,538

Winner of the €33 this week

Edward & Liz Comerford,
Knockthomas

First Friday Anniversaries in Newtown

Peter O'Neill, Ratheadon

First Friday Anniversaries in Ballinkillen

Kathy Byrne, Ballyloughan

Nuala Cummins, Skahanrane

Readers Sun 15th January 2012

Sat 14th January 6:00pm

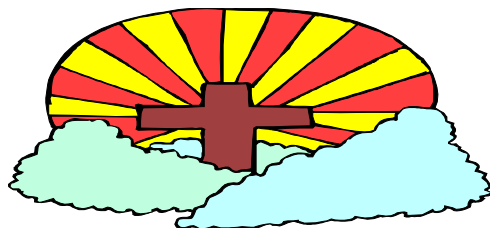
Helen Wall

Sun 15th January 8:00am

Ann O'Neill

Sun 15th January at 11:30

Brian Spiller



ANNIVERSARIES

Christy Kane, 72 Pairc Mhuire

Tom & Katie Duffy & their son

Tommy

Anastasia Coogan, Ballywilliamroe

Rosaleen Coogan, Ballywilliamroe

Liam Byrne, Pairc Mhuire & Ardattin

Peter O'Neill, Ratheadon

Michael Ward, Ballinakill

John Ward, Ballinakill

Tommy Kealy, Ballinakill

Mick Littlejohn, Chestnut Court

**These anniversaries will be
prayed for on Fri 13th & Sat 14th
January at 10:00am Mass.**

*****BAPTISMS*****

Baptisms in

Newtown Church are on the

FIRST Saturday of every month at
4:00pm and in

Ballinkillen Church are on the
LAST Saturday of every month at
4:00pm.

St. Andrew's Parish Church
Every Saturday at 5:00pm

Confirmation and First Holy Communion Dates 2012

- **Newtown N.S.** in Newtown Church on Saturday 12th May at 11:00am
- **Queen of the Universe N.S. & St. Brigids Boys N.S.** in Parish Church on Saturday 19th May at 11:00am.
- **Nurney N.S.** in Newtown Church on Sunday 20th May at 11:00am
- **Ballinkillen N.S.** in Ballinkillen Church on Saturday 26th May at 11:00am
- **Garryhill N.S.** in Parish Church on Sunday 27th May at 11:30am.
- **CONFIRMATION** on Saturday 10th March at 2:00pm.



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 in Carlow at 059 9136542 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). Minimum age for marriage is now 18 years in the state. Getting married 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. See dates in back of Churches for details. 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 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. On Saturdays they must not be later than 4:30pm. No weddings on Sundays, Holy Days, or Holy Thursday, Good Friday, or Easter Sat. 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

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