

## ENVELOPE COLLECTION

Total weekly envelope collection:  
**€1,450. Winner €33 is**  
**Denis & Siobhan Byrne,**  
**Church Street**

Ballyloughan ICA are organising a day outing to Dublin on Thursday, August 10th. Visiting Avoca Handweavers on the Naas Road, guided tour of the Guinness Hopstore, shopping in the city, meal in the Poutin Stil. Cost €65. If interested contact Margot 0876162022 or Anne 0861203468.

## Ballinkillen A.R.A.

Are holding their meeting on **Thursday 20th April at 2:30pm**. Demonstration given by Margo Hennessey.

## Readers:23rd April

**Sat 22nd April 6:00pm**

Fiona O'Halloran

**Sun 23rd April 8:00am**

Paddy Robinson

**Sun 23rd April 11:30am**

Fintan Higgins

## Eucharistic Ministers

**Saturday 22nd April 6:00pm**

Team B

**Sunday 23rd April**

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

**7:30pm Team B**

## Ballinkillen/Lorum

Community Centre Bingo here every Monday night starts @ 8pm. Jackpot €2,900 in 48 numbers.

Major Fundraiser for the Friends of the Sacred Heart Hospital, Carlow in The Hunters Rest, Fenagh, Saturday 22nd April at 9:00pm. Entertainment by MAD CAPS. Door prizes & Raffle. Tkt €5.

Novena 2017 in St. Clare's Church, Graiguecullen 9 Monday nights 24th April –19th June 7:30pm. Singing led by Fr Liam Lawton accompanied by Poor Clare Community and Parish Choirs.

## St. Vincent De Paul

Local helpline no. 086-4042631

Parents Plus: Parenting Whilst Separated" Open to all parents and guardians. An 8 week course taking place every Monday 7-9pm starting on the 24th April in Bagenalstown Family Resource Centre. The course will be facilitated by Georgina Kennedy and Emer Williams. For info/reserve contact [bagenalstownfrfc70@gmail.com](mailto:bagenalstownfrfc70@gmail.com) or ph: 059 9722028.



**BAGENALSTOWN-NEWTOWN-BALLINKILLEN**  
**'CHURCH NOTICES'**

*Easter Sunday*

*16th April, 2017*

## Easter Sunday

**Special Dawn Mass on Mount Leinster at 6:00am**  
Masses as on Sundays in all Churches **NO 7:30PM MASS**

Easter Week Mon– Sat 10am Mass in Parish Church

## Divine Mercy Sunday 23rd April

takes place on the above date in St. Andrews Parish Church, Confessions **2:00pm**. Recitation of the Chapelet **2:30pm** Holy Mass Celebrated at **3pm**.  
*Everyone is welcome.*

Trocaire Boxes— Please return Trocaire boxes on at Mass Time. Thank you

## GRAVEYARD MASSES At 8:00pm

**NEWTOWN—Friday 2nd June**

**BALLINKILLEN—Friday 9th June**

**BAGENALSTOWN—Friday 16th June**

**DUNLECKNEY—Friday 23rd June**

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

will **RESUME** in the Convent on Wednesday 26th April.

## Bagenalstown Parish Yearbook 2017

The committee has commenced preparation for the 2017 edition and welcomes contributions from individuals, clubs, groups and organisations within the parish. Details of graduations or awards are most welcome. The yearbook enjoys a worldwide readership and many of our emigrants eagerly look forward to receiving it. There is a vast amount of work involved in preparing it for publication and as a consequence the ***deadline for submissions*** is **1st October, 2017**. Any submissions received after this date may not be included as the publication date will be early December. All contributions must be sent by email direct to [bagenalstownyearbook@gmail.com](mailto:bagenalstownyearbook@gmail.com) Photographs should be sent as jpegs. Any person or group who requires assistance of any kind including typing of their submission should contact **087-9845024** The committee looks forward to receiving contributions and extends its deepest thanks to all who submitted articles for past editions. ***So get writing.***

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## **PRAY FOR**

**Stephen Whelan, England** (*grandson of the late John & Alice Whelan, St. Brigids Crescent*)

**Richard 'Dick' McEvoy** (*husband of Breda McDonald, Garryhill who was interred in Bennettsbridge*)

**Tom Hogan**, St. Enda's Terrace, Paulstown who was interred in Gowran.

**Bruni O'Neill** & her son **Martin James O'Neill**, Birmingham Burial takes place here on Friday 21st April after 11am Mass in Parish Church.

**Bernie Nolan**, London & formerly Fairgreen who died in London, Monday

## **FIRST ANNIVERSARIES**

**Peter Carton**, 20 Barrett Street. Mass on Saturday 15th April in Parish Church at 6:00pm.

**Paul Foley**, Clowater. Mass on Sunday 16th April in Ballinkillen Church at 10:00am.

**August Nierzwicki**, Poland. Mass on Sunday 16th April in Parish Church at 11:30am.

**Elizabeth 'Liz' Hynes**, 9 Fr Cummins Park. Mass on Saturday 22nd April in Parish Church at 6:00pm.

## **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.

## **ANNIVERSARIES**

Patrick O'Brien, Fenagh

Thomas & Mary O'Shea, Seskinryan

Deceased members of O'Shea & Ryan Families

James & Jane Byrne, Upper Kilree Street

James Rudkins, Upper Kilree Street

P.J. Hickey, Gormona

John & Margaret Monaghan, 1 Pairc Mhuire

Hannah Allen, The Lough

Mary Mullins, Harrow Cross

Mary Cowman, Ballymoon

Michael Kennedy, 17 St. Brigids Crescent

John Bolger, Royal Oak

Stephanie Cox, Oak Grove

Ann & Tom Pender, 71 St. Brigids Crescent

***These Anniversaries will be prayed for on Friday 21st & Saturday 22nd April at 10:00am Mass in Parish Church.***

## **AGM of Bagenalstown**

**Swimming Pool** will take place on Thursday 27th April at 8pm at Bagenalstown Swimming Pool.

**ALL WELCOME**

**Applications** are now being accepted for the **Jobs of LIFEGUARDS**, at Bagenalstown Swimming pool, for the summer season of 2017. Please apply in writing to: Maire Lee, Secretary, 4 Kilree Cottages, Bagenalstown, Co. Carlow. **Before Thursday 27th April.** Please enclose a copy of your qualifications with your application.

## **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](http://www.crsappointments.ie) for an appointment. For more info go to [www.groireland.ie](http://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 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**



## **First Holy 2017 Communion Dates**

**St. Brigid Boys N.S. and Queen of the Universe Girls N.S.** on Saturday 6th May at 11am in St. Andrews Parish Church

**Garyhill N.S.** on Sunday 7th May at 11:30am in St. Andrews Parish Church

**Newtown/Dunleckney N.S.** on Saturday 20th May at 11am in Newtown Church

**Ballinkillen N.S.** on Saturday 27th May at 11am in Ballinkillen Church

## **HAVE YOU A BABY FOR BAPTISM?**

If you have a baby for Baptism, you are asked to book in and attend Baptismal Preparation Meeting in the Parochial House—the meeting is on the **second Monday of every month at 8:00pm.** You will be given the registration form for baptism and the date of Baptism will be confirmed for you at this meeting. At the Baptism Preparation Meeting the Sacrament and Ceremony of Baptism is discussed and explained and the details for the Baptismal Register will be recorded. ***You are asked to bring a copy of your Baby's Birth Certificate.*** This meeting is conducted by the Parish Baptismal Team and lasts approx. 1 hour. Please try to find a minder for the children as the information for these classes need the full attention of those attending. Please be on time for the meeting so that they may begin at 8:00pm. **For booking a place at the Baptismal Preparation meeting contact Eleanor in Parish Office 9721154.**