

Parish Pilgrimage to Medjugorje
May 28th 2019 7 Nights €725pps
Spiritual Director: Fr Declan Foley.
Anyone interested can contact
Helen Wall 086-8226930

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.

Readers: 13th January

Sat 12th January 6:00pm

Helen Wall

Sun 13th January 11:30am

Michelle Bridgett

Eucharistic Ministers

Saturday 12th January

6:00pm Team B

Sunday 13th January

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

7:30pm Team B

ENVELOPE COLLECTION

Total weekly envelope collection:

**€1,460 Winner of €33 is
Tom & Margaret Dowling,
Ballyloughan**

The Irish Catholic

€2 Paper is available from all churches in the parish.

"Walk Towards Unity"

In conjunction with the Church of Ireland & Methodist Churches to mark Church Unity Week, Fr Lalor is organising a "Walk Towards Unity" in Carlow. The walk will begin at 2.30pm on Sunday 20th January 2019 at the Methodist Church Athy Road, proceed to St. Mary's Church in Haymarket & from there to the Cathedral of the Assumption. There will be a reading from the scriptures/prayers/hymns at each church.

Leighlinbridge and District

Active Retired:

Committee meeting Monday 7th January at 2pm. Members meeting 2.30. This is followed by Refreshments and a talk to be given by Sage Representative Caroline Hanley. She will speak on a subject that's of particular interest to Senior Citizens. Bowls club meet each Thursday and Friday at 2.30. New members welcome. Please note that our Members' Annual Registration fee is due this month.

BAGENALSTOWN - NEWTOWN - BALLINKILLEN

Church Notices

Feast of the Epiphany

6th January, 2019

First Holy Communion

Preparation Mass Sunday 13th January

Newtown Church 9:00am Ballinkillen Church 10:00am

Parish Church 11:30am.

**Visit to the Housebound will be
attended NEXT WEEK**

Sponsor a Slab

We will continue to fundraise until the

Closing date

1st February 2019

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 from Ernie Beck, Sean Monaghan and Kathleen Cox, the Parish Office and also online at

www.sponsoraslabbagenalstown.com

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

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www.kandle.ie

Pray For

Ellie Tansey nee Sullivan,
England & St. Brigids Crescent.
Tom Coogan, Gormona who was
interred here on Saturday.

Months Mind

Michael Cowman, 5 McDonnell
Park. Mass on Sunday 6th January
at 10:00am in Ballinkillen Church.

First Anniversaries

Sr. Rosarii Ring, Presentation
Convent. Mass on Saturday 12th
January at 6:00pm in Parish
Church.

First Friday Anniversaries Newtown Church

Ned Murray, Ballaghaderneen
Jim Ryan, 28 Fenagh
Rody Ryan, Kylemaglusk
Mary Gregan, Kildrenagh & her
daughters Phyllis & Nuala
Patrick Smyth, Newtown
James Quirke, Fenagh

First Friday Anniversaries Ballinkillen Church

Michael McDonagh, Slyguff
Nuala Cummins, Skahanrane

Eucharistic Adoration

Every **Tuesday from 12noon to
3pm** in the Mortuary Chapel in
Parish Church. *All welcome.*

ANNIVERSARIES

Edmond & MaryAnn Corr, Paulstown
James Doyle, 18 Barrett Street
Michael Brophy, 53 St. Brigids
Crescent
Christy Kane, 72 Pairc Mhuire
William Corrigan, Kilree
Dermot & Brigid Hopkins, Kilree
Peter & Mary Hughes, Rathduff
Liam Byrne, Ardattin & Pairc Mhuire
Nance Cummins, Eastwood
Mary Freyne, Mayo
Tom Duffy, Mayo
James Quirke, Fenagh
Harry Taylor, Oak Grove
Michael Quinn, Slieverue & Borris
Sylvester, Kathleen & Cecil Lynch,
Kilcarrig Street
James & Margaret 'Babby' Howard,
The Parade & their sons Albert, John,
Kenneth & their daughter Vera
John & Margaret Rea, Barrett Street &
their daughter Kathleen
Bridget Howard & husband, Leinster
Street, Athy

*These Anniversaries will be prayed
for on Friday 11th & Saturday 12th
January at 10am Mass in Parish
Church*

26th Sponsored Christmas Day Swim/Walk in Aid of Carlow Kilkenny Homecare

32 Swimmers took to the River
Barrow with safety as the river was
high. Congrats to all swimmers, over
100 walkers and supporters who came
out to make it a success. Thanks to the
lifeguards, Theresa for the hot teas, the
Power Family and everyone who
helped in any way. *Please return cards
to Mary.*

HAVE YOU A BABY FOR BAP- TISM?

If you have a baby for Bap-
tism, 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 Bap-
tism Preparation Meeting the Sacra-
ment and Ceremony of Bap-
tism 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 conduct-
ed by the Parish Baptismal Team and
lasts approx.1 hour. Please try to find
a minder for the children as the infor-
mation 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 Prepara-
tion meeting contact Eleanor in
Parish Office 9721154**

Eist Cancer Support Centre

Happy New Year and all good
wishes for 2019. The Eist Cancer
Support Centre provides emotional
support and practical help to
people with a cancer diagnosis,
their families and carers. The
opening hours are Monday to
Friday 10am to 4pm and Friday
10am to 1pm. For further details
please contact us on 059 9139684.

St. Vincent De Paul Local helpline no. 086-4042631 PARISH YEAR BOOK 2018

Last few copies available, so
hurry while they last. Get
yours now! On sale in usual
outlets €6.

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