

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

### **Towards Peace**

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.

### **GENTLE REMINDER OF RETURN OF CHY**

#### **Lough Derg One Day**

**Retreats** begin on Saturday 4th May and continue on 5th, 6th, 11th, 12th, 14th, 19th, 21st, 25th, 26th and 27th.

Why not take some time and space on Lough Derg personally or as a parish group this May? A NEW event for those who serve in lay parish ministry, is our Parish Ministry Day Saturday 18th May. Booking essential. Tel: 071 9861518. [info@loughderg.org](mailto:info@loughderg.org) [www.loughderg.org](http://www.loughderg.org)

The **Blackstairs Cycling Event** is on the 28th April from Ballinkillen. Registration starts from 7.30am. Cycle starts at 9am & family cycle starts at 11am. Registration online is €20 or the morning of the cycle is €30. Proceeds go to Ballinkillen School & GAA Club, Jack & Jill Foundation & Down Syndrome Ireland so it's a really worthwhile cause so please come and support. All details can be found on [www.blackstairsyclingchallenge.com](http://www.blackstairsyclingchallenge.com) or on the Facebook page. Many thanks again for your continued support.

**Ballinkillen Lorum Community Centre Bingo** starts @ 8pm every Monday. Jackpot €1,100 in 42 numbers.

### **ENVELOPE COLLECTION**

Total weekly envelope collection:

**€2,160 Winner of €33 is Mrs Margaret English, Seskinryan**

### **Big Tree Players**

*Presents: The Year of The Hiker in Queen of the Universe NS Fri 19th, Sat 20th & Sun 21st April at 8:00pm.*

### **Leighlinbridge and**

#### **District Active Retired:**

Meeting Monday 15th in Parish Centre at 2.30. Refreshments followed by last session of Chair Yoga with Helen Jeffers. 23 members enjoyed the musical "Titanic" at Watergate Theatre, Kilkenny Wed 10th. Bowls as usual each Thursday and Friday at 2.30.

BAGENALSTOWN - NEWTOWN - BALLINKILLEN

Church Notices

Palm Sunday

14th April, 2019

### **Pray for**

**Paddy 'Sarney' Lillis**, 86 St. Brigids Crescent who was interred here on Tuesday.

♦ **Penitential Service** on Palm Sunday in Parish Church at 7:30pm with visiting priests. (9:00am in Newtown Church & 10:00am in Ballinkillen Church)

**Novena 2019 7:30pm St. Andrew's Parish Church 16th April Final night** Trócaire Catholic Aid Agency

### **An Invitation to you from Bishop Denis - Chrism**

**Mass 2019** Having journeyed together, 'Digging Deeper' into our Sunday Mass this Lent, I warmly invite each of you to join me for our annual diocesan *Chrism Mass on Monday, April 15 at 7:30pm in Carlow Cathedral*. The diocese is a family of parishes and on this night, we get to gather as a family, priests and people from our 56 parishes. This is a wonderful celebration of the Mass, rich in music and ritual. *Come early to get a seat and stay for a cuppa afterwards!*

### **GRAVEYARD MASSES 2019 At 8:00pm**

NEWTOWN—Friday 7th June

BALLINKILLEN—Friday 14th June

BAGENALSTOWN—Friday 21st June

DUNLECKNEY—Friday 28th June

**Trocaire Boxes**— Please return Trocaire boxes on Holy Thursday at Mass Time. Thank you "O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his steadfast love endures forever!" Psalms 118:1. [www.trocaire.org](http://www.trocaire.org)

**Are you a Reader in the parish or would like to become one?** "Entrusted with the Word" is a three-night training course offered by Kildare and Leighlin Faith Development Services. Open to new and existing parish readers, the next course will take place in Áras Bhríde, Kildare (beside parish church) on **Thursday, May 2, 9 and 16**

from 7:30-9:00 p.m. All who attend will receive the Diocesan Guide for Readers, as well as a certificate of participation.

**Booking is essential** through your local parish office.

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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## Months Mind

Tommy Ryder, Newtown. Mass on Sunday 14th April at 9:00am in Newtown Church.

## First Anniversaries

Patrick Lillis, 58 St. Brigids Crescent. Mass on Saturday 13th April at 6:00pm in Parish Church.

## ANNIVERSARIES

James & Jane Byrne, Upper Kilree Street  
James Rudkins, Upper Kilree Street  
Val Fogarty, Kilree  
Ann Bolger, Pairc Mhuire  
Tom Hogan, 2 St. Enda's Terrace, Paulstown  
Paddy & Annie Doyle, Curracruit  
Ann Kavanagh, Mt Leinster Lodge, Borris  
Bridget Cormack, St. Brigids Crescent  
Lil Nash, 17 Conway Park  
Catherine 'Kitty' Rogers, Ratheadon  
Nan Rogers, Ratheadon  
Mollie Reilly, St. Brigids Crescent  
Michael Reilly, Kells Road, Kilkenny  
Elizabeth Hynes, 9 Fr Cummins Park  
Michael Kennedy, 17 St. Brigids Crescent  
Nell Kennedy, Mountown, Dunlaoighre  
P.J. Hickey, Gormona  
Ellen Lupton, Carrig  
Bridie Lupton, Carrig  
Stephanie Cox, Oak Grove  
*These Anniversaries will be prayed for on Wednesday 17th April at 10am Mass in Parish Church*

## Whisperings of My Soul, Fr Sean

**Hyland** Fr Sean wants to let all know, to watch out for his interview on the Late Late Show on Good Friday discussing his book, Whisperings of My Soul. It has been a best seller with Veritas each month since its launch in December. Fr Sean wants to sincerely thank all the parishioners in Kildare and Leighlin Diocese, Bishop Denis, all the parish teams and all of his fellow priests who have been so supportive in helping to spread the lovely heavenly blessings detailed in Whisperings of My Soul.

## Yearbook 2019: Tell Us

### Your Story Or News

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. We look forward to reading and sharing your stories, articles and news in 2019.

## Bagenalstown Community

**Text Alert** Membership €10 now due. New Members welcome to join this initiative. Application forms/envelopes can be got in Post Office & Credit Union. This Is Your Community. Let's all work together to prevent crimes taking place and make it a SAFER place for everyone in the community. **PLAY YOUR PART, BE INVOLVED**

## Parish Pilgrimage to

### Medjugorje

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

## Dancing in Drumpea

**Community Centre** on Saturday 20th April 10pm-12midnight Music: Jimmy Hogan & Lar Kenny. Refreshments served.

## HOLY WEEK 2019

### **NEWTOWN- BAGENALSTOWN - BALLINKILLEN**

#### ◆ Holy Thursday

**6:00pm** Mass of the Lord's Supper in Parish Church

**7:00pm** Mass of the Lord's Supper in Newtown

**8:00pm** Mass of the Lord's Supper in Ballinkillen

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at the Altar of Repose will continue in Parish Church until 10pm. Special Hour of Prayer from 9pm to 10pm. ALL WELCOME.**

#### ◆ Good Friday

**3:00pm** Celebration of the Passion of the Lord in the **Parish Church**

**6:00pm** Stations of the Cross in the **Parish Church**

**7:00pm** Celebration of the Passion of the Lord in **Newtown Church**

**8:00pm** Celebration of the Passion of the Lord in **Ballinkillen Church**

**9pm** Prayer around the Cross to end Good Friday in the **Parish Church**

◆ **Holy Saturday** Confessions 10am-12noon  
Food will be blessed in Parish Church at an 11am Ceremony (*Polish Community*)

Easter Vigil in Parish Church **6:00pm**  
**NO Vigil in Newtown and Ballinkillen Churches**

#### ◆ Easter Sunday

Masses as on Sundays in all Churches **NO 7:30PM MASS**

◆ **Easter Week** Mon– Sat 10am in Parish Church



**Holy Week  
& Easter**