

WELCOME

Tá súil againn go mbeidh an foilseachán seo de chuid Comhairle Tréadach an Pharóiste eolasach agus go soláthroidh sé nasc usáideach do sheirbhisi paróiste agus pobail. Cuirimid fáilte ach gohairithe roimh bhaill nua dár gceantar agus tá súil againn go mbeidh an foilseachán seo cabhrach agus iad ag cur eolais ar an bpobal agus a chuid sheirbhísi.

We hope this publication by the Parish Pastoral Council will be informative and provide a useful link to parish and community services. In particular we welcome new members to our area and hope that this publication will be helpful in getting to know the community and its services.

Nous souhaitons la bienvenue aux nouveaux membres de notre région et nous espérons que ce livret leur sera utile afin de connaître la communauté et ses services.

Witamy nowoprzybyłych na naszym terenie i mamy nadzieje, że nasza ulotka informacyjna będzie Panstwu bardzo pomocna w zaponznaniu się z lokalną społecznością i usługami przez nią świadczonymi.

Mes tkimes, kad si pastoralines parapijos tarybos publikacija bus informative ir suteiks naudingas nuradas apie parapijos ir bendruomenes paslaugas. Taip pat mes tikimes, kad naujimes musu bendruome nes nariams si publikacija bus ypac naudinga.

Més ceram, ka si publikaciya par mácitáyu draudzes konsiliyu sniegs noderigu informáciyu par musu draudzes dzivi un kopigiem kalpoyumiem. Mes ceram, ka jaundias biedrs atradis musu draudze izpalidzibu un noderigu atbalstu.

*Very Rev. Father D. Foley, Very Rev. Dean G. Wynne
and Rev. L. Scott.*

PARISH HISTORY

Up to 1817 the Catholic congregation worshipped in their church in Dunleckney. In 1817 the Roman Catholic Church at Dunleckney was closed and St. Andrew's Church in Bagenalstown was opened for Christmas day 1820.

St. Mary's Church of Ireland and the Catholic Church co-existed on the same site at Dunleckney. The ruins of both churches still exist there to-day.

CHURCHES ' HISTORY

Roman Catholic:

St. Andrew's, Bagenalstown

St. Andrew's opened for worship on Christmas Day 1820 and has continued in use to the present. The steeple was added in the mid 1800's. St. Andrew's was renovated in 1893 with porches added in 1917. The mortuary chapel was added in the 1950's.

St. Lazerian's, Ballinkillen

Built around 1793 it is one of the oldest churches in the diocese. It had a thatched roof in the early stages and to-day has beautiful stained glass windows. The Lourdes Grotto was officially opened in 1988 – this was completed by voluntary labour.

St. Patrick's, Newtown.

This church was burned down in 1798 and seems to have been rebuilt round 1833. The school was built in 1834..

A bell was erected in 1900; repair of the roof occurred round 1930. The Mosaics at the back of the altar and those round the exterior were added in the 1950's.

Church of Ireland

The Dunleckney Group of Parishes takes its name from the two ruined churches at Dunleckney near Bagenalstown. One of these was the Church of Ireland and was parish church of the area before the town of Bagenalstown began to grow in the 1790's upon the arrival of the Barrow Navigation, the canal. There are four churches within the group, as follows:

St. Mary's, Bagenalstown

This church was built in 1844, with the tower added in 1855. The church occupies a site in the town centre and is architecturally pleasing. It has next to it the former parochial school, now a parish hall. The hall is older than the church and is much admired for its classic proportions.

St. John's, Nurney

This is the oldest church in the group. The present building dates from 1792, but nearby Nurney High Cross (in a field behind the churchyard) is a strong clue to Nurney being an ancient Christian site with a history going back to the early Irish church. Nurney's spire has recently been repaired and conserved and is now safe and sound as a local landmark.

The Good Shepherd, Lorum

This church occupies an ancient Christian site, with a High Cross shaft nearby. The tradition is that St. Lazarus paused at Lorum on his way from the Wexford coast, where he landed from Rome, to Old Leighlin where he founded his religious community. The present church dates from 1838 and replaces the older building in the graveyard behind it. The church has fine windows and a beautiful and unusually worked timber roof. The spire was added in the late nineteenth century.

St. Peter's, Killedmond

This church was built in 1846 and occupies a place of great beauty between Borris and the western slope of Mount Leinster. It is a fine granite building of great strength and simplicity and is well placed for those travelling the various routes across the Blackstairs Mountains from the Barrow valley to County Wexford.

All Saints', Fenagh.

This church opened in 1600's as there were burials in the surrounding grave yard dating from this time. It was burned down in 1798. Rebuilt in 1799 it continues to be used for worship up to the present time.

CLERGY OF THE PARISH

Roman Catholic:

Very Rev. Fr. D. Foley, Parish Priest

(Mobile 087 6684299)

Rev. Fr. P. Byrne

(Mobile 0887 9948505)

Rev. Fr. T. Bambrick

(059 97 21154)

Church of Ireland:

Very Rev. G. Wynne

(Contact 059 9721570)

St. Mary's Bagenalstown

St. John's Nurney

St. Peter's Killedmond

Church of the Good Shepherd Lorum.

Rev. L. Scott

(Contact 059 9159367)

All Saints', Fenagh

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL 2005 - 2008

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MISSION STATEMENT

We, the members of the Pastoral Council of the Parish of Bagenalstown, Ballinkillen and Newtown, with the Lord as our guide, will work in partnership to create a welcoming Christian community where people can experience a sense of belonging.

Our hopes and aspirations are:

To reach out

To inform

To encourage

To support

To share the good news of the Gospel

To celebrate our identity

TIMES OF SERVICES

Roman Catholic

Mass times

Daily at 8.00am in the *Convent* (7.30am during Lent)

No Convent Mass on Saturday and Sunday, nor during July and August and other school holidays.

Daily at 10.00am in *St. Andrew's Church, Bagenalstown*

There is no 10.00am Mass when a funeral Mass is organised for 11.00am.

Sunday

Vigil Mass at 7.30pm Saturday in *St. Andrew's Church*

8.00am, 11.30am *St. Andrew's Church*

9.00am *St. Patrick's, Newtown*

10.00am *St. Lazarian's, Ballinkillen*

7.30pm *St. Andrew's, Bagenalstown*

Holydays

Vigil Mass at 7.30pm in *St. Andrew's*

8.00am and 11.30am in *St. Andrew's*

7.00pm *St. Patrick's, Newtown*

8.00pm *St. Lazarian's, Ballinkillen*

There is no evening Mass in *St. Andrew's, Bagenalstown* on Holydays.

First Friday of the month

Mass at 7.00pm in *St. Patrick's, Newtown*

Mass At 8.00pm in *St. Lazarian's, Ballinkillen*

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

8.30am to 8.00pm in the Convent Chapel each Wednesday except during holiday time when exposition is from 11.00am to 6.00pm.

First Friday following 10.00am Mass in *St. Andrew's* until 11.00am

Confessions

St. Andrew's

Saturday 10.30am to 11.00am. and 7.00 to 7.15pm.

On the eve of the first Friday 7.00pm to 7.30pm.

St. Lazarian's, Ballinkillen and St. Patrick's, Newtown
before Mass on the first Friday of each month.

Baptisms

Saturday evening at 5.00pm and on Sunday after

11.30am Mass or by arrangement with the clergy.

Marriages

At least three months' notice is required by the Church and State.

In Muinebheag Parish weddings may be at times and dates requested. On Saturdays weddings may not take place later than 4.30pm. Weddings cannot take place on Sundays, Holy Days or on Holy Thursday, Good Friday or Easter Saturday.

Church of Ireland

Dunleckney Group of Parishes

St. Mary's Bagenalstown

Service Time: 11:15am except 8:00pm on the Saturday preceding the second Sunday of the month.

Eucharist is on first Sunday of the month

St. John's Nurney

Service Time: 8:45am except 8:00pm on the Saturday preceding the fourth Sunday of the month.

Eucharist on second and fifth Sunday

The Good Shepherd, Nurney

Service Time: 10:00am each Sunday

Eucharist on third and fifth Sunday

St. Peter's Killedmond

Service Time: 11:30am except 8:00pm on the Saturday preceding the first Sunday of the month.

Eucharist on fourth Sunday

For baptisms and marriages contact - Rector 059 9721570

Grouped Unions of Fenagh-Myshall with Aghade-Ardoyne

All Saints' Church, Fenagh.

Church Services are arranged on a rota system and change for each quarter. For Church Services in All Saints' Church, Fenagh

Contact: 059 9159367

For baptisms and marriages

Contact - Rector 059 9159367

OTHER SERVICES

Women's World Day of Prayer on the first Friday of March.

Harvest Thanksgiving – for detailed arrangements consult Dunleckney Group of Parishes.

Annual Carol Service takes place in most of the churches. Details are available during each Advent Season.

Cemetery Masses

First Friday in June – Newtown

Second Friday in June – Ballinkillen

Third Friday in June- Bagenalstown

Fourth Friday in June - Dunleckney

Killoughternane Blessed Well Mass – last Friday in July

Ballinkillen Grotto Mass- last Friday in May

Tír na nÓg remembrance alternates between St. Mary's and St. Andrew's church.

Annual Remembrance Masses and Services in November

PAROCHIAL ORGANISATIONS

Church of Ireland

The Mothers' Union

Hon Secretary Mrs Angela Kidd Tel: 059 9721165

The Girls' Friendly Society

Contact: Mrs Marion Smyth Tel: 059 9721164

The Boys' Brigade

Contact: Mr. Desmond Kidd Tel: 059 9721778

The Bowls Club

Contact: Mr. George Parker Tel: 059 9721171

CHOIRS

Church Choirs

St. Andrew's, Bagenalstown, Organist: Esther Roberts

St. Andrew's Men's Choir

Contact: Jim Reddy Tel: 059 9722541.

Pentecost Choir (Women's Choir)

Contact: Breda Mc Donald Tel: 059 9721617

Folk Group

Contact: Parish Office.

Newtown Church Choir

Contact: Tom Cox Tel: 059 9727303

Ballinkillen Church Choir

Contact: Teresa Kearney Tel: 059 9721513

CHURCH GROUPS

Bagenalstown Medjugorje Prayer Group

Meets every Tuesday at 10:30am in vestry St. Andrew's Church.

Contact: 059 9723732.

St. Fortchern's Charismatic Prayer Group

Contact: The Parish Office

St. Patrick's Contemplative Prayer Group

Contact: The Parish Office

St. Joseph's Young Priests' Society

Contact: Sister Agnes O'Sullivan Tel: 059 9721263

Pioneer Total Abstinence Association. Bagenalstown

Contact: John Walsh Tel: 059 9722157

Mary Byrne Tel: 059 9721713

Pioneer Total Abstinence Association, Ballinkillen

Contact: Michael O'Neill Tel: 059 9727132

Pioneer Total Abstinence Association, Newtown

Rita Kearney Tel: 059 9727141

Maura Murphy Tel: 059 9721390

St. Vincent De Paul Society

Contact: Parish Office

St. Vincent De Paul shop, for the sale and receipt of used clothes, is situated in Regent Street.

Opening hours: Thursday 10:30 am – 12pm: 2pm – 4pm

Friday 2pm – 4pm

SCHOOLS

National Schools

Church of Ireland

St. Mary's, Bagenalstown
Principal: Mrs Amy Kidd Tel. 059 9721021

Roman Catholic

Our Lady Queen of the Universe – infants and co educational until completion of First Class. Then girls only.
Principal: George D'Arcy Tel: 059 9721075

St. Brigid's Boys'
Principal: Hamish Beaton Tel: 059 9721984

Ballinkillen National School
Principal: Kevin Cuddy Tel: 059 9775153

Newtown/Dunleckney National School
Principal: Liam Nolan Tel: 059 9727299

Nurney National School
Principal: Martin Duffy Tel: 059 9146297

Garryhill National School
Principal: Liam Shinnors Tel: 059 9727355

Secondary School

Presentation De La Salle – Co Educational
Principal: Anne Keating Tel: 059 9721860

Vocational School – Co Educational
Principal: David O'Flaherty Tel: 059 9721335

Bagenalstown Adult Learning Centre
Contact: 059 9135544

Adult Education P.L.C. Courses
Contact: Niamh Hickey Tel: 059 9721335

Community Centres

B.E.A.M. Barrow Valley Enterprises for Adult Members.
Barrow Heaven, Regent Street is a day centre for adults with special needs.
Coffee shop open from 8.30am to 2.00pm and serves morning tea/coffee and lunch.
Residential facilities are being developed.
Contact: Olive Keating, Manager
Tel: 059 9723504
Email beamservices@eircom.net
Website: www.beambagenalstown.com

St. Lazarian's Welfare Home for older people.
Provides residential care and meals –on – wheels service.
Contact: Mary Norris Tel: 059 9721146.

Bagenalstown Family Resource Centre.
Provides: Child care services from 1 year up to 16 years including after school and youth club, education in computer use from introduction to ECDL and Job courses.

Mother and toddler group meets once weekly.
Women's group and 'friendship club' for over 50's.
Contact: Ann Shortall Tel: 059 9723196

Ballinkillen / Lorum Community Centre
Contact: Des Kidd Tel: 059 9721778.

Ballyloughan Hall Committee
Contact: Michael Joyce Tel: 059 9723922

Ballyloughan Social Club
Contact: Joan Power Tel: 059 9721258

Killoughternane Hall and Social Club

Annual drama production. Adult education night classes and workshop in art for children

Contact: Mary Mahon Tel: 059 9773742
086 3849311

Nurney Village Improvement Group

Contact: Martin Duffy Tel: 059 9146115

Bagenalstown Community Centre

Contact: Sean Monahan Tel: 059 9722524

Public Library

The library is situated in the Court House building (constructed in mid 1700's).

Opening hours: Tuesday to Friday 11am to 1pm and 2pm to 5pm

Tuesday late opening 6:30pm to 8:30pm

Contact: Tel: 059 9722208

GROUPS

Rainbow Group

This is a support group for children and young adults from the age of five to eighteen years who have suffered a significant loss in their lives either by death, by separation or any other painful transition.

Contact: Sister Kathleen Tel: 059 9721263

Alcoholic Anonymous

Meets in Queen of the Universe National School at 8.00pm each Wednesday.

Contact: General Service Board Alcoholic Anonymous
Tel: 01 4538998

Friends of Calcutta

Manages eight schools and two homes for the elderly in Calcutta.

Contact: Michael Hopkins Tel: 087 2561838

www.friendsofcalcutta.org

Civil Defence

Contact: Padraig Cahill Tel: 059 9170352

Organisation of National Ex service Men and Women (O.N.E.)

Contact : Dan O'Sullivan
Tel: 059 9721876 (H)

087 6291289.

Meals on Wheels

Contact: Local Public Health Nurse

Health Centre Tel: 059 9721721

Senior Citizens

Bagenalstown

Contact: Marian Dowling Tel: 059 9721613

Newtown

Contact: Kathleen Cox Tel: 059 9727303

COMMUNITY ORGANISATIONS AND SPORTS CLUBS

Gaelic Athletic Organisation

Hurling

Erin's Own Hurling Club

Founded in 1934.

Caters for minor, junior, u21 and senior.

Contact: Hon. Secretary David Hughes Tel: 086 3843914

Ballinkillen Hurling Club

Contact: Michael Doyle Tel: 086 3636704.

(for senior club)

Football

Fenagh Football Club

Minor, U21 and senior.

Contact: Tom Cox Tel: 059 9727303

St. Andrew's Football Club.

Founded in 1953.

Minor, u21, junior and intermediate.

Contact: Ken Hickey Tel: 059 9721628

Juvenile

Bagenalstown Juvenile Football and Hurling.

Contact: Con Hourihane Tel: 059 9722137

Brian Doyle Tel: 059 9722041

Ballinkillen Juvenile Hurling Club.

Contact: Brendan Kehoe Tel: 059 9717397

Fenagh Juvenile Football Club

Contact: P.J. Byrne Tel: 059 9727398

Ladie's Football

Ballinkillen and Newtown Ladies' Football Club

Contact: Paddy and Bridget O'Neill Tel: 059 9775318

St. Andrew's Ladies' Football Club

Contact: Ann Hickey Tel: 086 8426864

St. Fortchern's Ladies' Football Club

Contact: Niamh Dobbs Tel: 087 9207820.

Bagenalstown Athletic Club

Contact: Con Hourihane Tel: 059 9722137

Ballinkillen Badminton

Contact: Colm Byrne Tel: 059 9727107

Camogie

Ballinkillen Camogie Club.

Contact: Margaret Dowling Tel: 059 9722521

Cricket

Bagenalstown Cricket Club.

Contact: hon. secretary Philip Treacy Tel: 056 7751573

Community Games

Contact: Christine Cody Tel: 085 1103947

Fishing

For fishing on river Barrow

Contact: Jim Brown Tel: 059 9721359

Fenagh Steam Rally

Founded 1972. Raises funds for Cancer Home Care and local charities.

Contact: Mary Nolan Tel: 059 9727233.

Irish County Women's Association.

Bagenalstown. Founded 1945.

The group meets on first Wednesday of the month.

Contact: Annette Reddy Tel: 059 9722541

Ballyloughan

Contact: Eileen Ryan Tel: 059 9721815

Garryhill

Contact: Lily Walsh Tel: 059 9727144

Pitch and Put Club

Contact: Jim Monaghan Tel: 059 9721951

Soccer

Bagenalstown Soccer Club

Contact: Tom Hickey Tel: 086 3867465

Kilree Celtic

Contact: Jimmy Mullins Tel: 085 1552484

Nurney Villa

Contact: Sean Murphy Tel: 059 9146416

Swimming

Bagenalstown Swimming Club.

Contact: Mary Foster Tel: 059 9722180

Tennis

Bagenalstown Tennis Club.

Contact: Bernie Tel: 086 8826337

Scouts

Scouts' den is located at Kilcarrig Street, Bagenalstown and caters for cubs, beavers and scouts.

Contact: Scout leader Martin O'Halloran

Tel: 059 9720588 (den)

or 086 3219066

Active Retirement

Contact: Kate Cubberly Tel: 059 9722903

Bagenalstown Festival Committee

Contact: Jim Doyle Tel: 086 2663637

Ballinkillen Floral Pride

Contact: Patsy Murphy Tel: 059 9775178

Ballinkillen Grotto Committee

Contact: Eileen Farrell Tel: 059 9722001

TRANSPORT

Train Service.

Waterford to Dublin (Heuston) via Bagenalstown:

Departs Bagenalstown for Dublin

07.06, 08.32, 11.45, 14.28, 15.53, 19.42

The above – Monday to Saturday.

Sunday: 10.37, 14.33, 15.36 and 19.35.

*Dublin (Heuston) to Waterford via Bagenalstown.

Departs Bagenalstown for Waterford

09.00, 10.54, 12.47, 16.30, 17.53, 19.40

The above - Monday to Saturday.

Sunday: 11.05, 16.07, 18.43, 20.03.

Times are accurate at the time of going to print.

Bus Service.

Bus Eireann

Bus service operates from

* Waterford to Dublin via ROYAL OAK

* Dublin to Waterford via ROYAL OAK

* Kilkenny to Carlow via BAGENALSTOWN

* Carlow to Kilkenny via BAGENALSTOWN

Bus enquiries:

Phone: 051 879000

Monday to Saturday 08.30 to 18.00

or

Sunday 09.00 to 18.00.

Counter service phone: 051 317815

*** *Private Bus Service.***

A private bus service operates from Tramore and Waterford via **ROYAL OAK** and Carlow to Dublin City centre and Dublin Airport.

A private bus service operates from:

Kilkenny to Carlow via BAGENALSTOWN

Carlow to Kilkenny via BAGENALSTOWN

For information contact: 059 9143081 or 051 872777.

If you or your family wish to obtain further information or wish to join any of these organisations then please use the contact number provided for the particular group or organisation.

The Muinebheag Parish Pastoral Council

SILENCE ALIVE

Silent Father
Silent Son
Silent Holy Spirit
Silent One - I love you.

In the silence of eyes,
I see you.
In the silence of unspoken words,
I hear you.
In the silence of a sudden touch ,
I feel you.
In the silence of a flower's fragrance,
I smell you.
In the silence of bread and wine,
I taste you.
Sensual God, I love you!

I love you in the silence
Silent Father
Silent Son
Silent Holy Spirit
Silent One - I love you.

Amen

*Harry Wiggett
South Africa*

EMERGENCY NUMBERS

CAREDOC

Out of hours Emergency Medical Service
6pm to 8am daily and from 6pm Friday to 8am Monday
FREEPHONE 1850 33 49 99

Doctor's Surgery

Dr. B Coffey/Dr P O'Dea 059 97 21650

Dr. T Foley 059 97 21240 (Mornings)
059 97 21502 (Afternoons)

Health Centre Bagenalstown 059 9721721

CURA

Phone: 1850 62 26 26

This organisation provides a support service for women with a crisis pregnancy.

Samaritans Phone: 1850 60 90 90

AN GARDA SIOCHANA:

Carlow 059 9136620
Bagenalstown 059 9721212
Myshall 059 9157622

Parish Office

Phone: 059 9721154

Email: bagenalstownparishoffice@eircom.net
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