<u>Recommended guidelines for</u> <u>all those attending Mass</u>

Please **sanitise your hands** when entering and leaving church The use of **face masks** by those attending Church is **compulsory** Maintain **social distance** between yourself and other people **Do not shake hands** or make close contact where possible Do not come to Mass if you have a **cough/cold or feel unwell.**

<u>have you a baby for</u> **BAPTISM?**

If you have a baby for Baptism, contact Eleanor in the Parish Office 9721154 or email: bagenalstownparish@gmail.com Baptisms are on EVERY Saturday in Parish Church at 5pm <u>FIRST</u> Saturday of month in Newtown Church at 4pm <u>LAST</u> Saturday of month in Ballinkillen Church at 4pm

Organist needed

If you or someone you know is interested in playing the organ in St. Andrews Parish Church, please contact Fr Declan 087-6684299 or the Parish office 059-9721154

Church Collections

If you are making a donation directly to the parish through the Bank (please contact the parish office to let us know you are doing this)put your name & envelope box number (if you need your envelope box number for this vear just contact the parish office) in the reference box and/or contact the parish office to let us know that you have donated this way. Thank you. **Bank Name and Address:** Bank Of Ireland, Main Street. Bagenalstown, Carlow Name of Account: Bagenalstown Parish. **BIC**: BOFIIE2D **IBAN:** IE35BOFI90649410971660 Your support for the Parish is greatly appreciated

<u>VIEW LIVE WEBCAM</u> from our Parish Church

which can be viewed from our Parish website www.bagenalstownparish.ie

<u>St. Vincent De Paul</u> Helpline 086-4042631

Parish Office : 059 9721154 Fr Declan Foley: 087 -6684299 Fr Shem Furlong 087-2400582 bagenalstownparish@gmail.com www.bagenalstownparish.ie www.kandle.ie BAGENALSTOWN - NEWTOWN - BALLINKILLEN 'CHURCH NOTICES'

2nd Sunday of the Year

16th January 2022

Synodality, the Parish and Climate Change

Sean McDonagh SSC Zoom – Jan 27th 2022 – 8.00 p.m.

As the **global climate crisis** deepens, so does the **crisis of the Irish Catholic church** – intensified unexpectedly by a viral pandemic. Faced also with understanding and implementing *synodality* - a new relationship centred on communion, co-responsibility and mission – Irish parish clergy and lay people are challenged by the understandable indifference of younger generations, who are often more alive to the global climate issue.

Meanwhile **Pope Francis** complains about the fixation of too many on issues of sexuality – while he is also the first pope to appreciate the full importance of the environmental crisis. Advised on the topic of biodiversity by the globally recognised expertise of Columban father **Sean McDonagh**, the pope's 2015 encyclical *Laudato Si'* is now a landmark in church teaching and climate awareness.

Could a parish focus on the climate issue now also help solve the **Synodality** conundrum in Ireland - to convince younger generations, and clergy, that faith and climate justice need one another?

Convinced that parishes can play a key role in meeting Ireland's carbon reduction targets in the 21st century – and that climate concern needs to be a vital focus of the Irish church – Fr Sean McDonagh will Zoom on this theme on January 27th, 2022, at 8.00 p.m. Click the link below to join the discussion on Jan 27th at 8.00 p.m.

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83007717613pwd=U3JZMnBXdnNhTXVIdEoybXFjMWUxUT09 Meeting ID: 830 0771 7613 Passcode: 298337

Friday and Saturday Anniversary Masses:

Anniversaries

Please put date of which Friday & Saturday you wish your loved ones to be remembered when dropping in Anniversary.

Church Newsletter

Names to be included on newsletter must be in at least **<u>10days</u>** before the Anniversary Mass.

PRAY FOR

Patsy Tobin, Ballyloughan who was interred in Ballinkillen on Thursday.

FIRST ANNIVERSARIES

Nancy Kelly, Chestnut Court. Mass on Sunday 16th January in Parish Church at 7:30pm.

MASS TIMES

St. Andrews Parish Church Saturday at 6:00pm Sunday at 8:00am, 11:30am & 7:30pm Weekday Masses

Monday – Saturday 10:00am All Masses in Parish Church may be viewed via Webcam Mass on Parish Radio 106.9

St. Patrick's Church, Newtown Sunday at 9:00am First Friday of the Month at 7:00pm

St. Lazerian's Church, Ballinkillen Sunday at 10:00am First Friday of the Month at 8:00pm

Our Lady's National School, Nurney are open for Enrolments for September 2022. Full details on <u>www.ourladysnurney.com</u>

Parish Office Hours:

Mon/Tues/Thurs 9:30-5pm / Fri 9:30-12pm (Office closed Wednesday)



<u>ANNIVERSARIES</u>

Pat Purcell, Pairc Mhuire Kathleen Buckley nee Johnson, Surrey & St. Brigids Crescent Margaret Dillon, Pairc Mhuire John O'Riordan, Regent Street John Tuite, 1 Station Road Patrick & Gertie Doorley, Kilree Street

Monique McDonnell, Kilree John, Kathleen & Ted Doran, Knockmanus, Goresbridge John & Mai Rea, Lough House Sally Farrell, Pairc Mhuire *These Anniversaries will be prayed for on Friday 21st & Saturday 22nd January at 10:00am Mass in Parish Church*

South Leinster Money Advice & Budgeting Service

Carlow MABS 72d Tullow Street, Carlow Tel: 0818 072070 *Free, independent and confidential Money Management and Advice Service* Assisting people in dealing with their existing debts, Mortgage arrears and helping them to begin to manage their own resources *MABS offers free Debt Relief Advice under Personal Insolvency options* **Money Management Sessions** provided for Transition/Leaving Cert Students & Community Groups

<u>Bagenalstown</u> Parish Yearbook

Brighten up these winter days with 2021's colourful and informative 'Bagenalstown Parish Yearbook'. Available at all the usual outlets

First Holy Communion 2022

Newtown N.S.on Saturday 7th-May at 11:00am in Newtown Church

Queen of the Universe Girls N.S. on Saturday 14th May at 11:00am in Parish Church

St. Brigids Boys N.S. on Saturday 14th May at 1:00pm in Parish Church

Garryhill N.S. on Sunday 15th May at 11:30am in Parish Church

Ballinkillen N.S.on Saturday 21st May at 11:00am in Ballinkillen Church

Nurney N.S. on Saturday 21st May at 1:00pm in Newtown Church

Confirmation 2022

Newtown N.S. on Saturday 26th March at 11:00am in Newtown Church

Ballinkillen N.S.on Saturday 26th March at 1:00pm Ballinkillen Church

St. Brigids Boys N.S. on Saturday 2nd April at 11:00am in Parish Church

Queen of the Universe Girls N.S. on Saturday 2nd April at 1:00pm in Parish Church Garryhill N.S. on Sunday 3rd April at 11:30am in Parish Church

<u>SOME HINTS ON</u> <u>GETTING MARRIED</u>

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 vour 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 Parish Office or any of the Priests who will be most willing to help you make a happy and Blessed Day. Fr. Declan