LIVE WEBCAM from our

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

<u>Pilgrimage to Rome & Assisi</u> <u>2023</u>

Led by Fr Liam Merrigan and Mgr John McEvoy. Visiting Assisi $25^{\text{th}} - 27^{\text{th}}$ May 2023, visiting Rome $27^{\text{th}} - 31^{\text{st}}$ May 2023. **Total Price: €1265 per person/Deposit: €150.** Return air ticket including 10kg luggage and taxes, Sharing twin rooms with private facilities for 2 nights in Assisi on half board basis, Sharing twin rooms with private facilities for 4 nights in Rome on B&B basis, Entrance tickets to the Vatican, Sistine chapel, Catacombs & the Colosseum. Single Supplement subject to availability for €195.00 For reservations phone Tullys Travel on 059 9136100

<u>Mortgage Arrears /Abhaile Scheme</u>

Are you in mortgage arrears? Are you worried about losing your home? If so, there is help. You may be entitled to Government support under the Abhaile Scheme. For more information, feel free to contact Tatiana McGreal, Financial Solutions Ireland on 085 867 4883 (www.fsireland.ie)

Special Kildare Pilgrimage to

Fatima at Easter 2023 ex Dublin Departing Wednesday Holy Week 5th April 5 nights full Easter ceremony and tour of Lisbon. Optional tour to seaside on Easter Saturday contact James Treacy 061921470

Turkey Trot on St Stephen's day at 12 noon from The Lower Stream in aid of Carlow/Kilkenny Homecare.

<u>Christmas Wreath</u> <u>Workshop</u>

Would you like to participate in a beautiful Christmas Wreath Workshop? This workshop will take place on **Saturday Dec 17th** from **9.30am to 1.30pm** in the **Community Centre, Church St, Bagenalstown** (opposite Spar service station/Post Office). Fee: 10 euros for oasis and wire etc.. Places limited so please apply early by email to <u>odeapk@gmail.com</u> or by text to **0876995420.**



Society of St. Vincent de Paul Church

Gate Collection On

Saturday 10th & Sunday 11th at all Masses in the Parish. Please give your support to those that need our help. *Thank you*. <u>St. Vincent De Paul</u> Helpline 086-4042631

Leighlinbridge & District Active Retired: Committee Meeting on Monday 25th December at 2pm followed by Members meeting at 2:30pm in the Parish Centre. Refreshments followed by final singing with Clara Hutchinson. Christmas meal in the Lord Bagenal at 2pm on Wednesday 7th December. Holiday to Sligo 27th March, Dep €50 pd now. Bowls on Thurs 2:30pm

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BAGENALSTOWN - NEWTOWN - BALLINKILLEN 'CHURCH NOTICES' 2nd Sunday of Advent 4th December 2022

Eucharistic Adoration in Parish Church every Tuesday 7:00pm-8:00pm

<u>8th December</u> Holy Day

Mass Times

Bagenalstown—Wednesday 6:00pm Thursday 8:00am & 11:30am Newtown—Wednesday 7:00pm Ballinkillen—Wednesday 8:00pm

RADIO MARIA IRELAND

Radio Maria Ireland will be visiting our parish and speaking at Mass on Saturday 10th & Sunday 11th December. All are welcome to drop in your prayer intentions into a petition box and Fr Eamonn McCarthy will bring them back. Your prayer intentions will be included in Holy Mass and the many hours of daily prayers on the Radio station. Listen via TV on Saorview Channel 210 or download the App – Radio Maria Ireland

<u>Visit to the Housebound will be attended next week</u> *MONDAY 12th December*

Monday morning—Town Area Monday afternoon –Ballinkillen Area & Newtown Area

Confirmation and First Holy Communion

Confirmation Dates 2023

Ballinkillen N.S. 4th March at 11:00am in Ballinkillen Church

Newtown N.S.4th March at 2:00pm in Newtown Church

St. Brigids Boys N.S. 11th March at 11:00amin Bagenalstown Church Queen of the Universe Girls N.S. 11th March at 1:00pmin Bagenalstown

Church

Nurney N.S.25th March at 11:00am in Newtown Church

First Holy Communion Dates 2023

Newtown N.S.6th May at 11:00am in Newtown Church

St. Brigids Boys N.S.6th May at 1:00pm in Bagenalstown Church

Ballinkillen N.S.13th May at 11:00am in Ballinkillen Church

Queen of the Universe Girls N.S.20th May at 11:00am in Bagenalstown Church

PRAY FOR

John Reville, Whittyshill, Wexford, (grandfather of Richard Reville, Bagenalstown)

MONTHS MIND

Esther Curran, Ballywilliamroe. Mass on Sunday 4th December at 9:00am in Newtown Church. John Lvons, Conway Park. Mass on Sunday 4th December at 11:30am in Parish Church.

Christy Johnson, Conway Park, Mass on Sunday 4th December at 7:30pm in Parish Church.

1st Anniversary

Mary O'Brien, Regent Street. Mass on Saturday 3rd December at 6:00pm in Parish Church.

Would you like to read the **Catechism in a year?**

We are a friendly group that reads and discusses a section of the Catechism of the Catholic Church each week. In 2023, we will follow The Catechism in a Year with Fr. Mike Schmitz.

https://ascensionpress.com/pages/ catechisminavear

Join us on Mondays at 8.00pm in the Parish Centre, Prosperous. Contact Alice 087 6505803

St. Lazerian's House Annual General Meeting

takes place in St. Lazerian's House on **Thursday 22nd of December** at 6:30pm. All are welcome to attend.

Anyone needing a **Senior**

Citizens Alarm please contact Maria Nolan 0872369031. The installation of the alarm is covered must be in at least 10days before the by a government grant.

ANNIVERSARIES

Tommy Walsh, Fr Cummins Park Bridie Cody, 52 Conway Park William 'Bill' Foster, 9 Conway Park Matthew & Mary Jordan, Knockroe, Rathanna James & Lucy Treacy, Ballymartin, Borris Bridget Cummins, Kilree & her daughters Nance Cummins, Lily Kenny, Jean Kane & Margaret Mullins Eileen Nolan, Pairc Mhuire Bill & Josie Power, St. Brigids Crescent Roy Dunstan & family, England Patrick & Cecelia Cahill, 'Rockview'. Kilcarrig

These Anniversaries will be prayed for on Friday 9th & Saturday 10th December at 10:00am Mass in Parish Church

Advent Scripture Sharing

Faith Development Services are delighted to provide the Annual Advent Scripture Sharing Booklet for 2022. The booklet can be downloaded free of charge on https://www.kandle.ie/ advent-scripture-sharing-booklet-2022/

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 Anniversary Mass.

SOME HINTS ON **GETTING MARRIED**

At the time you enquire about the hotel etc. Check the Church to avoid disappointment. At least 3-6 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

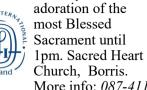
www.crsappointments.ie for an appointment. For more info go to www.groireland.ie. (Failure to give 3 months notice will necessitate going to the court for permission). Marriage is a very serious step and good preparation is advised. Both Church and State recommend some Pre-Marriage preparation. The Church offers Pre-Marriage Courses. They are available in Carlow. www.accord.ie 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 Parish Office or any of the Priests who will be most willing to help you make a happy and Blessed Day.

Holy Face Pravers.

Wednesdays, after 10am *Mass.* followed by silent







More info: 087-4112583

CHRISTMAS MARKET

Ballinkillen School PA presents a Christmas Market on Sunday 4th December from 10am to 1pm in Ballinkillen/Lorum Community Centre. Large selection of handmade crafts and gifts by local producers, cake stall, bottle stall, tea and coffee, trees, games and much more. Come, enjoy and shop local.

Community Carol Service

(with a miscellany of Scripture Readings, Reflections & Pravers)

All Saints', Aghade R93 XD 79 Sunday 18th December 2022, 7pm. Featuring : The Four Hims, The Ballon Singers with Local Soloists & Musicians. A Special Welcome is extended to our Ukrainian Neighbours at Ballon Rest Centre (for whom the Collection is in support of) All welcome to a Reception & Tea in Aghade Hall afterwards

Social Night

Ballinkillen N.S. are holding a Social Night in Ballinkillen Lorum Community Centre on Saturday 10th of December from 9pm to thank everyone who has helped us complete our Basketball Court. We are very grateful for everyone's support. All are most welcome on the night.