LIVE WEBCAM from our

Parish Church which can be viewed from our

Parish website www.bagenalstownparish.ie

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 10days before the Anniversary Mass.

Mortgage Arrears /Abhaile

SchemeAre 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

A message from an Garda Siochana An Garda Siochana wish to warn

people of a doorstep fraud and theft offence which has become prevalent over the last number of weeks. Elderly People are being targeted at their homes by Criminals who are impersonating Gardaí. The offenders are fraudulently pretending to be plain clothes Gardaí who are checking for dud money. They have duped people all around the country and stolen their cash on the pretence of checking to see if it is genuine money. They are producing false identification to assist the process.

Advice:

An Garda Siochana will never ask people about their finances on the doorstep of their homes and will never ask to check money Always ask for Identification and do not be afraid to question it. If in doubt politely tell the caller that you want to verify their true identity. If necessary contact your local Garda Station who will be able to establish quickly if the caller is a member of An Garda Siochana.

Report any such activity to your local Garda Station even if you have not been the victim of a theft. That report could save a neighbour or someone else close by.

Please check on elderly neighbours, family and friends and advise and reassure them

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BAGENALSTOWN - NEWTOWN - BALLINKILLEN 'CHURCH NOTICES'

Baptism of Our Lord

8th January 2023

Eucharistic Adoration Resumes Tuesday 10th January 2023

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

PARISH MASS TIMES

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH - Bagenalstown

Sunday (Sat) Vigil 6:00pm, Sun 8:00am, 11:30am & 7:30pm

Weekday—(Mon- Sat) Parish Church 10am

ST. PATRICKS CHURCH - Newtown

Sunday 9am

ST. LAZERIAN'S CHURCH - Ballinkillen

Sunday 10am

PRAY FOR

Ann Byrne nee Cody, Fenniscourt who was interred this weekend on Saturday in Paulstown.

Pope Emeritus Benedict XV1 who was interred in Rome on Thursday. Michael O'Brien, England & Barrett Street (brother of Tony)

MONTHS MIND

Stephen Lawlor, Kilcarrig Street. Mass on Saturday 7th January in Parish Church at 6:00pm.

Tom Brown, Coolnacuppogue. Mass on Sunday 15th January in Ballinkillen Church at 10:00am.

Breda Kieran, Kilkenny & Ballywilliamroe. Mass on Sunday 15th January in Parish Church at 11:30am. Joan Dovle, Eastwood. Mass on Saturday 14th January at 6:00pm in Parish Church.

1st Anniversary

Teresa McDonald, 8 Seskin Road. Leighlin. Mass on Sunday 8th January at 8:00am in Parish Church. Patrick Tobin, Ballyloughan. Mass on Sunday 8th January at 10:00am in Ballinkillen Church.

HAVE YOU A BABY FOR BAPTISM?

If you have a baby for Baptism, contact the Parish Office 9721154 or email:

bagenalstownparish@gmail.com Baptisms are on

EVERY Saturday in Parish Church at 5pm

FIRST Saturday of month in Newtown Church at 4pm LAST Saturday of month in Ballinkillen Church at 4pm

ANNIVERSARIES

Jim Doyle, Kilcarrig Street Susan Lillis, 2 Fairgreen Christy Kane, 72 Pairc Mhuire Dermot & Brigid Hopkins, Kilree Kathleen O'Brien, Kilree Crossings John Monaghan, Royal Oak Road Nellie Kane, Ballycormack Archibald & Baby O'Rowe, England Liam Byrne, Pairc Mhuire & Ardattin Harry Taylor, Oak Grove Patrick Kelly, 3 Station Road These Anniversaries will be prayed for on Friday 13th & Saturday 14th January at 10:00am Mass in Parish Church

Big Tree Players

Big Tree Players Drama Group will hold their Annual General Meeting in the Parish Centre, Leighlinbridge on Thursday 19th January at 8:15pm. All are welcome.

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) 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

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 Parish Centre, Prosperous. 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

Bagenalstown Yarnbombing

Remember the colourful display of knitting and crochet around the town last June? Would vou like to be involved in the project this year? If you are interested, please text 0876995420 or email odeapk@gmail.com to find out more details. We look forward to hearing from you

ALONE are seeking volunteers

Would you be willing to provide companionship or make calls to Older People once a week? ALONE are seeking volunteers in your area. Full training and support provided. If interested please sign up here: https://alone.ie/volunteers/ For more information, contact Frances on volunteer@alone.ie or on 086 1085965.

St. Vincent De Paul Helpline 086-4042631

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/ catechisminayear

Join us on Mondays at 8.00pm in the Contact Alice 087 6505803