

PRAY FOR

Nancy Dines nee Wall, London & Ballycormack (sister of Frances Tobin)

Months Mind

Rose Byrne, Conway Park. Mass on Saturday 26th April in Bagenalstown Church at 6:00pm.

1st Anniversary

Jimmy Mullins, Philip Street. Mass on Sunday 4th May in Bagenalstown Church at 11:30am.

ANNIVERSARIES

Brigid Dillon, 26 St. Brigids Crescent
Mary Dowling, Seskinryan
Brigid Cody, 3 Eastwood
John Hughes, 51 Conway Park
P.J. Hickey, Gormona

These Anniversaries will be prayed for on Friday 2nd & Saturday 3rd May 10:00am Mass in Parish Church

Divine Mercy Sunday Celebrations 27th April

St. Andrew's Parish Church. Commencing at 2:00pm with Reflection, Rosary & Chaplet of Divine Mercy. Holy Mass at 3:00pm with Blessing of Image. Please note: No confession available on the day. *Everyone is most welcome.*

Newtown Charity Concert

Frances Black & friends in concert. in St Patrick's Church, Newtown, Saturday, May 10th at 7.30pm. Nuala Carey guest MC and Ollie Hennessy Musical Director. Tickets €25 available from Parish Office, Kearney's Fenagh, Black Cat, Fenagh, Rea's Shop, The Office Centre, The Little Shop, Royal Oak Stores, McAssey's Ballon & Eventbrite.ie.

First Friday Anniversaries Newtown Church at 7:00pm 2nd May

Maura Nolan, Ballinakill
Jim Nolan, Ballyknockan
Baby Max Fisher, Gleann na Bearu
Kathleen 'Kate' Drea, Fenagh & Bennettsbridge
Matt Murphy, Ballywilliamroe
Ger Brooks, 26 Fenagh
Johnny & Mary 'Ma' Brooks, 3 Ashgrove, Fenagh
Joseph O'Brien, Rathercan
Tom O'Brien, Mountrath & Rathercan
Peter O'Brien, England & Rathercan
First Friday Anniversaries Ballinkillen Church at 8:00pm 2nd May

Jenny Kelly, Ballyphenan
Margaret Connors, Ballyphenan
John & May Cummins, Skahanrane
Paul Minchin, Coolnacuppogue
Peter Minchin, Coolnacuppogue
Patrick Minchin, Coolnacuppogue
Anna Minchin, Coolnacuppogue
Sr Vianney Minchin, Coolnacuppogue
Michael 'Mick' Shaughnessy, Donore
Stella Doran, Nurney Lodge
Sean & Peter Whelan, Clowater
Kathleen Byrne, Dunroe
Pat Byrne, Dunroe

Parish Pilgrimage to Medjugorje 2nd –9th Oct 2025

Spiritual Director: Fr Declan. Cost €879 7nights pps. Insurance extra. Single room supplement €175. Limited places available. *Enquiries Helen Wall 086-8226930*

Ballinkillen Lorum Community Centre Bingo every Monday @ 8pm
Everyone welcome

Medjugorje Prayer Group Meeting in Our Lady's Chapel Bagenalstown Church. **EVERY** Tuesday after 10:00am Mass *All welcome*

Eucharistic Adoration

Every Tuesday 7:00pm-8:00pm in Parish Church. All welcome

Free KCETB Classes at BCG continue **each Saturday 1-3pm**. New members are always most welcome. **Venue:** Bagenalstown Community Garden located at the back of Parochial House R21TD61

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 Bagenalstown Church at 5pm

FIRST Saturday of month in Newtown Church at 4pm

LAST Saturday of month in Ballinkillen Church at 4pm

An Evening with Maksym – Saturday 3rd May at VISUAL Carlow

Experience an unforgettable evening of music as celebrated Ukrainian tenor Maksym Lozovyi performs live at VISUAL Carlow on Saturday 3rd May at 8.00pm. Now proudly living in Carlow, Maksym has performed with Irish National Opera and appeared on the Rose of Tralee live final. He will be joined by a five-piece live band led by Musical Director Ollie Hennessy, performing a powerful mix of opera, classical favourites, Irish melodies and contemporary songs. This special concert is a heartfelt celebration of music, culture and resilience, not to be missed. **Tickets: €28** available at visualcarlow.ie or from VISUAL's box office.

St. Lazerian's House are holding their **Annual First Holy Communion Procession** in the gardens of St. Lazerian's House on **Tuesday 27th May 2025 at 3.30pm**. Mass will be celebrated by Fr. Declan Foley. All children are welcome in their Holy Communion outfits and their families too. Anyone in the local communities who would like to attend Mass are welcome. We look forward to seeing you here. From Lisa and all the Staff at St. Lazerian's House

First Holy Communion Dates 2025

Ballinkillen NS on 3rd May 2025 at 11:00am Ballinkillen Church

St. Brigids Boys NS on 10th May 2025 at 11:00am Bagenalstown Church

Newtown Dunleckney NS on 17th May 2025 at 11:00am Newtown Church

Queen of the Universe NS on 24th May 2025 at 11:00am Bagenalstown Church

Trocaire Boxes— Please return Trocaire boxes at Mass Time. *Thank you*

PARISH RADIO tune in for Mass go to **106.9fm**

**LIVE
WEBCAM
from our
Parish
Church**

which can be viewed from our Parish website

FUNERALS

24 HOUR Notice is required from the Family if they wish to have Funeral Mass recorded

Fr Declan Foley:
087-6684299
Fr Shem Furlong :
087-2400582

Parish Office Hours:
Mon/Tues/Thurs
9:30-5pm/
Fri 9:30-12noon
(Office Closed Wednesday)
Parish Office:
059-9721154

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FRANCES BLACK
and friends in concert

*In aid of Make-A-Wish and St. Patrick's Church,
Newtown Restoration Fund*

**SATURDAY
MAY | 10**

**NEWTOWN CHURCH
NEWTOWN
CO. CARLOW
R21 P206**

Guest MC
NUALA CAREY
Muscial Director
OLLIE HENNESSY

TIME: 7.30PM | TICKETS: €25

Tickets can be purchased from Parish Office (059-9721154), local shops (Bagenalstown/Fenagh) and online Eventbrite.ie.

CHURCH NOTICES



Message to Priests & People on the death of Pope Francis

It is with great sadness that we learned of the news of the death of Pope Francis. While we knew he was very ill, seeing him on Easter Sunday in St. Peter's Square, greeting the faithful, brought great comfort. The announcement of his death on Easter Monday morning was all the more a shock and sad, at the suddenness of his passing.

Pope Francis came from the periphery, as the first Pope from the Americas, and those at the periphery - the poor, the migrant, the prisoner, the refugee, the outcast - were always at the centre of his pontificate. Only last Holy Thursday, despite his own frailty, he took time to visit Rome's Regina Coeli prison and his first visit outside Rome as Pope was to the tiny island of Lampedusa to remember the many drowned at sea, in search of refuge and a new beginning on mainland Europe.

Pope Francis will be remembered for many things and there will be much commentary over the next while, but for me, his message of inclusion and mercy was key. "The name of God is mercy" he reminded us. And now we commend him to the mercy of God.

I ask every parish to celebrate a Requiem Mass for the happy repose of the soul of Pope Francis on a date and time that is convenient for you. You may ring your Church Bells 88 times, if you wish, at the end of that Mass (once for every year of his life). We should include Pope Francis in our intercessory prayers for the dead at all Masses over the coming days.

At the heart of Pope Francis' message of hope in this Jubilee Year was the reality of the life, death and resurrection of Christ and in this Easter Octave, Pope Francis is welcomed into the eternal embrace of the resurrection.

Ar dheis Dé go raibh a anam.

Every blessing and good wish to all of you during this Easter Octave,
XDenis

A Requiem Mass for Pope Francis will be celebrated on Sunday 27th April in Bagenalstown Church at 11:30am.