

ANNIVERSARIES

All anniversary bookings must be received before 2pm on the Wed before publication.

Gretta Rea, Pairc Mhuire
Thomas Jacob Snr, New York & Kilcarrig Street
Trixie Aughney, Kilcarrig
Moirra McGrath, 21 Pairc Mhuire
Julia Casey, Kilcarrig Street
Paul 'Fred' Donoghue, Eastwood
Nessie Foley, Rathgower
John Lillis, Fairgreen
Neil Doorley, Kent & Kilree Street
John Doyle, Boherduff
Michael Doyle, Boherduff
Christina Johnson, 20 St. Brigids Crescent
Elizabeth Farrell, Regent Street
Mary Jordan, Glenaharry
Michael & Elizabeth Dwyer, Kilree Cottages
These Anniversaries will be prayed for on Friday 27th & Saturday 28th June 10:00am Mass in Parish Church

For enquiries about **Ballinkillen GAA Club Gym Membership 2025**, don't hesitate to get in touch with 087 7434669

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Church Newsletter Notice: To guarantee inclusion in our Church Newsletter, all notices and anniversary bookings must be received before 2pm on the Wednesday before publication. *Thanks.*

Medjugorje Prayer Group

Meeting in Our Lady's Chapel, Bagenalstown Church. **EVERY** Tuesday after 10:00am Mass
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

Thanks to all who contributed to the Concern Church Gate Collection in Newtown. €85 has been forwarded to Concern.

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

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

Ballinkillen Lorum Community Centre Bingo every Monday @ 8pm *Everyone welcome*
Tuesday Night Cards is held every Tuesday at 9pm in the BLCCC bar. All players are welcome, whether you're an experienced player or a new player looking to learn and have a fun night out.
BLCCC is suitable for birthday parties, Confirmation parties, First Communion parties, functions, classes, sports, wellness activities, conferences, and other events. For further details, please call (059) 9775175 or 089 9767800.

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

St Brigid's 3-day Pilgrimage to Lough Derg 2025:

Friday 4th July – Sunday 6th July and Wed 13th Aug – Fri 15th Aug. Bus pick ups at Monasterevin, Kildare, Newbridge, Naas, Sallins, Clane, Kilcock, Maynooth and Dunboyne M3 park and ride. For information and bookings: Tel Joe 0872467594 or email deirdregleeson@medwise.ie

Lent Synod Listening Report

From the themes that emerged in the Irish Synod Synthesis, in our diocese three themes emerged as priorities in the recent Lent synod listening sessions. These were baptism, belonging and faith formation. To read more about what was said at the gatherings about these and other themes you can view a report and a short video on www.kandle.ie/synod The short video can also be viewed by scanning this QR code.



Found Bracelet on Station Road about 3 weeks ago. Contact Parish Office 9721154.

Congratulations to Ruben Foley & his pony team on winning their second Nations Cup in Germany, Jason's team who came third and Max also jumped there.

Come and See Day

A day to explore priesthood: talks, time for prayer, answering your questions, discerning a vocation, Knock House Hotel F12 R6Y5, Sunday 13th July 11.00am to 4.30pm. Bookings only through Vocations.ie. For more information contact: carol.king@vocations.ie

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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Columban Day Celebrations

All paths lead to Carlow this July when the town hosts the XXVI Columbanus Day celebration from 11th July to 13th July 2025. This significant occasion honours St Columbanus, one of Ireland's most influential early missionaries, recognised for his contributions to the spiritual and cultural foundation of Europe. St Columbanus, patron saint of the Missionary Society of St Columban, was born in Myshall. The three-day event promises a rich blend of cultural, spiritual and communal experiences. Highlights include the launch of the exhibition 'Ireland and the Birth of Europe,' a symposium exploring the relationship between creation and spirituality given by Columban missionary Fr Sean McDonagh, and a walk along the picturesque Columban Way. Visitors can also look forward to engaging talks, such as 'Columbanus, the Man from Myshall,' by former President Dr Mary McAleese, taking place in the Holy Cross Church in Myshall. The celebrations culminate with the XXVI Columbanus Day Mass at the Cathedral of the Assumption, Carlow on Sunday 13th July. We very much look forward to hosting the International Columbanus Weekend, when pilgrims from all over Europe will gather here in our diocese to honour this great Saint.

Carlow County Council are offering all households and business in our community an opportunity to dispose of all old electrical equipment for free. You can dispose of any item that uses a plug or a battery, no matter how big or small at the following location:

**Tuesday 1st July, 10am -4pm,
Rejuice IT,
Bagenalstown Industrial Park,
Royal Oak Road,
Bagenalstown R21E297**

We accept everything from a tiny watch battery to a large photocopier. For more info contact:
environment@carlowcoco.ie

Date for the diary

Join Bishop Denis for a day of guest speakers, workshops and prayer on Saturday, 20 September in the Cathedral and Carlow College. The Diocesan Commission for Liturgical Formation is hosting this day for all those involved in liturgy in the parish – that includes members of the congregation, so you are all invited! More details to follow next week.

CHURCH NOTICES

**GRAVEYARD MASS DUNLECKNEY Friday 27th June
at 7:00pm**

Months Mind

John Murphy, Augha. Mass on Sunday 29th June in Newtown Church at 9:00am.

1st Anniversary

Paul Leith, Beechwood Close. Mass on Sunday 22nd June in Bagenalstown Church at 8:00am.

Jack Murray, Ballybromhill. Mass on Sunday 22nd June in Newtown Church at 9:00am.

Bagenalstown Parish Church Country Concert

Fundraiser the final sum raised was just over €6,140. Many thanks to those who supported the fundraiser in any way and who came on the night. Also a huge thank you to all who were involved in organising and putting on such a wonderful night. **THANK YOU**

Why is the Solemnity of Corpus Christi important?

The Eucharist is the "source and summit of the Christian life" (Second Vatican Council, *Lumen Gentium*, no. 11). In the Eucharist, Jesus Himself re-presents for our benefit His Sacrifice on Calvary (Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:26-29), gives Himself to us in Holy Communion (Exodus 16:4, 35; John 6:1-14, 48-51), and remains among us until the end of the age (Luke 24:13-35; Matthew 28:18-20). He comes to us in this humble form, making Himself vulnerable, out of love for each one of us. Yet, as God Himself, the Body and Blood of Christ deserve our utmost respect and love, as well as our adoration.

St. Thomas Aquinas, Hymn "*Tantum Ergo*"
Down in adoration falling, Lo! the sacred Host we hail; Lo! o'er ancient forms departing, Newer rites of grace prevail; Faith for all defects supplying, Where the feeble senses fail.

St. Francis of Assisi said, "... In this world, I cannot see the Most High Son of God with my own eyes, except for His Most Holy Body and Blood."

What does "Corpus Christi" mean?

The Latin words "Corpus Christi" translate to "Body of Christ."