

PRAY FOR

Brian Higgins, Ballymun, Dublin
(brother of Fintan Higgins, Seskinryan).

Patrick 'Patsy' Kearney,
Kylemaglusk, Ballon (brother of Tom
Kearney, Fenagh)

John Hancock, Dublin & Donore.
Burial takes place on Wed 20th in
Drumpea Cemetery, at 2pm (approx.)

Months Mind

John Callan, Donore. Mass on
Sunday 17th August in Ballinkillen
Church at 10:00am.

1st Anniversary

Pat Bolger, Tullow & Royal Oak.
Mass on Saturday 16th August in
Bagenalstown Church at 6:00pm.

Daniel 'Tony' Fenelon, Garryhill.
Mass on Sunday 17th August in
Bagenalstown Church at 11:30am.

Jenny Maher, Augha. Mass on
Sunday 24th August in Newtown
Church at 9:00am.

**YOUTH PILGRIMAGE TO
CROAGH PATRICK,**

23rd AUGUST 2025 Please note
the Youth Pilgrimage to Croagh
Patrick on the 23rd August 2025
has been **postponed**. Further
details to follow later.

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.*

ANNIVERSARIES

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received before 2pm on the Wed before
publication.*

Jimmy Nolan, Pairc Mhuire &
Newtown

Catherine Keating, Gormona
Michael & Kathleen Somers,
Eastwood

Margaret 'Greta' Lillis, 65 St.
Brigids Crescent

Tom Conolly, Kilcarrig

Stewart Hynes, 65 Fr Cummins Park
Ber Taylor, Oak Grove

*These Anniversaries will be prayed
for on Friday 22nd & Saturday 23rd
August 10:00am Mass in Parish
Church*

Recollection Weekend: 22nd -
24th August 2025 in Cluain Chiarain
Prayer Centre, Clonmacnois. A retreat
for adult Catholics seeking to deepen
their spiritual life and grow in holiness.
A time for silence, reflection and fellow-
ship with talks from various guest
speakers. €180 - all meals and
accommodation provided with custom
welcome pack. For more details and
booking visit www.thecollect.ie

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

Kildare and Leighlin Liturgy**Conference:**

It is Good for us to be Here (Mark 9:5)
Come and join us for a day of personal
enrichment as we explore many aspects
of the celebration of Mass and liturgy in
our parishes - taking place in the
Cathedral of the Assumption and Carlow
College on **Saturday, 20th September**.
We start with registration in Carlow
College from 9-9:30am, Morning Prayer
in the Cathedral at 9:30am followed by a
day of keynote speakers and workshops,
concluding at 5 pm. Look out for the
poster and brochure in the church or go
to www.kandle.ie/LiturgyConference for
more details. Booking will go live in the
coming week.

**Dementia Inclusive
Community Workshop**

given by
Tara Rice Community Development
Officer on Wednesday 27th August at
7:00pm in Leighlinbridge Parish
Centre. Workshop available to anybody
who would like to attend on evening.

Medjugorje Prayer Group

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

Best of luck to all
Leaving Cert students in
our parish and
beyond who will
receive their Leaving
Cert results Friday 22nd August. It's a
significant milestone, and while the
results are important, remember that
your worth is not defined by
them. You will find the right path for
you.

**Eucharistic Adoration**

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

Congratulations

Ruben & Harvey Foley on winning at
the R.D.S.. Max came second in two
finals and Jason jumped in the Big
Grand Prix on Sunday. Well done
boys.

Eucharistic Adoration

The Kildare & Leighlin Diocesan
Adoration Committee invites you to join
them with Most Reverend Bishop Denis
Nulty, Fr Ruairi O Domhnaill and Guests for
a day of Prayer and Adoration. The day will
feature a special Carlo Acutis Exhibition
and Eucharistic Miracles exhibition -
concluding with concelebrated Holy Mass at
three pm. Confessions available. Location: St
Anne's Portarlinton, R32 WN59. Saturday
August 30th from 9.30am - 4.00pm,
Refreshments and Lunch - €20.00.

****Booking essential** - Please either text or
call Barbara 0861637311. Stating name and
number of companions**. All welcome.

ACN Pilgrimage to Knock

Papal charity Aid to the Church in Need
Ireland invites people to join their
national pilgrimage to Knock Shrine on
Saturday August 30 to highlight the
plight of Christians who suffer
persecution for their faith in many parts
of the world. Mass is in the basilica at
3pm - all welcome. For more
info www.acnireland.org

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

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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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.

Storytime With Ally (No Booking Required for Storytimes)

Borris Library - Wednesday 20th August 2.30pm

Tullow Library - Thursday 21st August 11am

Bagenalstown Library - Saturday 23rd August 11am

Summerstars Reading Challenge for Primary School Children has commenced in all Carlow Library branches, call in and get your goodie bag, enter the weekly prize draws & enter the mega prize at the end of the Summer! There's nothing to lose only lots of books to choose!

Little Library Bags

There are free Little Library bags for all children starting school in September, The bags are available in both Irish and English, they contain books and resources to support the transition from pre-school to primary education, My Little Library Book Bags are available in all Carlow Library Branches, families not already registered as library members are welcome to join when collecting their bags.

Parish Pilgrimage to Lourdes



13th June 2026

More details later

Geraldine Monahan 087-4166803

CHURCH NOTICES

Message re. Day of Prayer for Gaza – Sunday 24th August:

At the opening of the Jubilee of Youth in a packed St Peter's Square, Pope Leo XIV said: *"We must cry out for peace in the world"* and he then invited all the young people to join him in saying: *"We want peace in the world!"* In the words of Cardinal Pizzaballa, the Latin Patriarch of Jerusalem: *"Christ is not absent from Gaza. He is there, crucified in the wounded, buried under rubble and yet present in every act of mercy, every candle in the darkness, every hand extended to the suffering"*.

The images we are watching on nightly news bulletins and on social media feeds are appalling. Many ask what can we do? We can become numb in our sense of helplessness before scenes that speak of *"man's inhumanity to man"*.

We feel bewildered when we see and hear about people crushed by hunger or crushed in the stampede for airdropped food. Most upsetting of all is the horrible violence and death that children are experiencing and witnessing.

Archbishop Eamon Martin has called on parishes to set aside

Sunday, 24 August as a day of prayer and reflection for Gaza. I echo his call and ask all our parishes in Kildare & Leighlin to observe this day of prayer.

We can light a candle in our family home or local parish church; attend Mass, spend time before the Blessed Sacrament; pray the Rosary; make some small personal penance or sacrifice, and on that day *"let the light of hope radiate out from the island of Ireland for peace, for Gaza and for the future of its people."*

✠ Denis

Visit to the Sick/Housebound

If you would like to be added to the list for Sick/Housebound—please contact Fr Shem, Fr Declan or Parish Office who will be more than happy to add you to our monthly visit.