Pray for

Pat 'Rooney' Nolan, Newtown who was interred in Newtown Cemetery last Sunday.

Michael Coffey, Kilree Lane who was interred in Bagenalstown Cemetery on Thursday.

1st Anniversary

Frank Treacy, Clowater, Mass on Ann Somers, Eastwood Sunday 16th November at 10:00am Liam Doorley, Ballyryan, Nurney in Ballinkillen Church.

Crescent. Mass on Saturday 22nd November at 6:00pm Bagenalstown Church.

Mary Murray, Bagenal Court. Mass on Sunday 23rd November at 9:00am in Newtown Church.

Sunday 23rd November at 11:30am on Friday 21st & Saturday 22nd in Bagenalstown Church.

Medjugorje Prayer Group

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

ANNIVERSARIES

All anniversary bookings must be received before 2pm on the Wed before publication. Breda Hickey, 12 St. Brigids Crescent Maeve & Peter Lawlor, Kilcarrig Street John, Eamon, Stephen & Mary & Nicholas Lawlor, Kilcarrig Street Theresa Bridgett, Oak Grove Connie Guidera, Ballyknockan, Fenagh Vera Power, St. Brigids Crescent Josephine Lyons, 47 St. Brigids Patrick Sheehan, Royal Oak Road Andy McDonald, 55 St. Brigids Crescent Deceased Members of the Ladies Pentecost Choir & their organist Esther Jimmy Johnson, Surrey & St. Brigids Crescent Noel Cowman, Ballymoon Maureen Cowman, Ballymoon Marion Wall, Donore. Mass on These Anniversaries will be prayed for

November 10:00am Mass in Parish Church

PDLS Christmas Market

In College Hall on Sunday 30th November 2-5pm. Adm €5 Door Prize Tables are €25

November is the month for Remembering

the Dead Masses for remembering the dead Monday 24th-Saturday 29th November at 10am in Parish Church

Church Newsletter Notice: To guarantee inclusion in our Church Newsletter, all anniversary bookings must be received 10days before date of anniversary Mass with deadline at 2pm on the Wednesday before publication. Thanks.

A meeting will be held at **Bagenalstown Family Resource** Centre with local Gardai including **Superintendent Anthony Farrell on** Wednesday 19th November at 11am. An Garda Síochána are going into rural communities to listen and give feedback on policing in the area. Light refreshments will be served.

LETTERS FROM THE FRONT

A Brand New Production of the The Acclaimed Irish WW1 musical by Don O'Connor and our very own Ollie Hennessy. Beautifully told story with a powerful stunning musical score and breathtaking performances. Visual Carlow Nov 19 - 22

Carlow Older Person's Council AGM

The Carlow Older Person's Council AGM 2025 is taking place on Tuesday 25th November at 2.30pm in the Woodford Dolmen Hotel.

Have your voice heard on matters that matter to you. Enjoy tea, coffee and complimentary pastries. Everyone is welcome, member and non members from across the county.

Application forms for the OPC Executive committee are available from the Carlow County Council Age Friendly Office PH 059 9136207/ 0872145262.

Nomination forms must be returned to the Carlow County Council Age Friendly Office by 5pm on Friday 21st November.

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A.G.M. St. Lazerian's House Annual General Meeting takes place in St. Lazerian's House on Tuesday 2nd December at 2:00pm. All welcome to attend.

St. Lazerian's House **CHRISTMAS MARKET &**

Visit Santa November 29th from 1pm-5pm in St. Lazerian's House, Royal Oak Road. Mulled Wine, Hot Chocolate, Minced Pies, Gifts, New & Used Clothes, Toys, Meet Santa, Christmas Carols, Homebaked Goods, Crafts, Knitwear and much more....

Leighlinbridge Active

Retirement meet Monday n the Parish Centre at 2:30pm. A lady from Carlow Co Council will give a presentation on matters concerning older persons from 3-4pm. Bowls on Thurs & Friday at 2:30pm. Pickle Ball in Old Leighlin next Tues from 2-3pm. Cost €5 and new members are welcome to this activity.

Eucharistic Adoration

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

"Christmas Past & Present"

Carlow Flower Club will host a Christmas Gala Flower Arranging demonstration by Anne Archbold and Helen Lucas AOIFA Demonstrators Tuesday 25th November 8.00pm, Woodford Dolmen Hotel. Entry Fee €15 which includes mulled wine on arrival. Lots of ideas for decorating your home for Christmas and all arrangements will be rafthe "Breast Cancer Ireland". Competition title for all classes "Joy to the World".

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

PARISH RADIO

Tune in for Mass go to **106.9fm**

Confirmation

Dates 2026

St. Brigids Boys NS on 14th February at 11:00am Bagenalstown Church

Queen of the Universe NS on 14th February 11:00am Bagenalstown Church

Garryhill NS on 14th March at 11:00am in Ballinkillen Church **Ballinkillen NS** on 14th March 11:00am Ballinkillen Church **Newtown Dunleckney NS** on 21st March 11:00am Newtown Church

First Holy Communion Dates 2026

St. Brigids Boys NS on 25th April at 11:00am Bagenalstown Church

Queen of the Universe NS on 25th April at 11:00am Bagenalstown Church

Ballinkillen NS on 9th May at 11:00am Ballinkillen Church **Newtown Dunleckney NS** on16th May at 11:00am Newtown Church

Nurney NS on 23rd May at 11:00am Newtown Church

CMAI Conference: The Catholic Medical Association of Ireland (formerly known as the Irish Catholic Doctors Learning Network) will hold its annual Conference in the St Charles Centre, Mount Argus, Dublin 6W, on Saturday, 22nd November 9am to 4pm. The theme of the Conference is "Medicine as a Beacon of Hope in a changing World". The Conference Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Kevin Doran. For more info email icdln@eircom.net

The students of <u>Colaiste Aindriu</u> will present **TAKE** A CHANCE on Wednesday 26th November at 7 pm. Tickets available from the school 059 9721335. Adults €15 Students €10. Come along and listen to the fantastic music of ABBA!!!!

<u>Age Friendly Coffee Morning – Carlow Older Person's Forum</u>

There is a **free coffee morning** at the **Bagenalstown Fire Station on Tuesday 18th November at 10.30am to 1:00pm**. Information on local services and support for people aged 55+. A chance to meet Carlow County Council stuff, community groups and local organisations.

CHURCH NOTICES

<u>Visit to the Housebound will be attended</u> <u>THIS WEEK</u> Monday 17th November

Monday—Town Area

Monday-Ballinkillen Area & Newtown Area

November—Remembering our Dead

November is the month when we traditionally remember our loved ones who have gone before us. The Tree of Life is an encouraging symbol. Just as in Spring, new leaves turn into new life. Such is our Christian hope regarding the promise of everlasting life.

Please write your loved ones name and place it on our Tree of Life where they will be remembered throughout the month of November.

DONATION OF PRIZES—Draw for Parish

We would gratefully accept donation of prizes for a draw on the night of Nathan Carter's Concert on 19th December. It is a chance for the parish to raise some much needed funds. *All draw proceeds go to the parish.*



Message from Bishop Denis re: Department of Education

survey on school patronage The current Department of Education survey on the future of patronage in the primary sector is important in that it will shape the discussion on primary school divesting for the years to come throughout the Republic of Ireland. It is important that those who wish for a change in patronage would have their voice heard. It is equally important that those who wish for a Catholic Education for their children and for those who would wish for sacramental preparation within school would have their voice heard also. For those reasons and to ensure that an accurate picture emerges, please participate in this survey if you are a parent or a prospective parish of a primary school student. The survey can be accessed at https://www.gov.ie/en/department-of-education/campaigns/primary-school-survey/
The survey closes on 16th December 2025.