

First Friday Anniversary Mass at 7:00pm in Newtown Church 5th December

Liam Nolan, Powerstown, Milford
Declan Nolan, Eastwood
Mary Drea, Fenagh
Don O'Rourke, Augha
Jim McDonnell, Dublin & Nurney
Seamus Downey, Ballybromhill
Bridie Carroll, Fenagh
Pakie Brennan, Newtown, Nurney
Mary 'Moll' Hickey, 2 Fenagh
Clare Treacy, 6 Ashgrove, Fenagh
Breda Whelan, Ballyknockan
Josie & Mamie Murphy, Augha
Tom Bermingham, Ballytarsna
Nan Nolan, Clonegath
Martin & Mary Nolan, Ballybromhill
Frances O'Brien, Boherduff
Patrick Hickey, Rathernan
Patrick Hughes, Ballybromhill
Kathleen Hughes, Ballybromhill

Our Lady's NS, Nurney – Carol Service

Our Lady's National School warmly
invites the community to our Carol
Service on **Wednesday, 18th
December at 7pm in St.**

John's Church, Nurney. Join us
for an evening of festive music and
reflection as we celebrate the Christmas
season together. **All are welcome** — it
is sure to be a lovely service.

ANNIVERSARIES

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

Pat Kirwan, Slyguff
Mary Byrne, Rathellan Lane
Joe Walsh, Kildrenagh
Michael 'Mick' Walsh, Aughabeg
Tommy Walsh, Fr Cummins Park
Jim Walsh, Australia & Dunleckney
Seamus Coogan, Ballymoon
Phil Coburn, Dunleckney
Bridget Cummins, Kilree & her
daughters Nance Cummins, Margaret
Mullins, Lily Kenny & Jean Kane
Lily Gallagher, Donegal Town
Bill & Josie Power, St. Brigids Crescent
Declan Roberts, Kilree

*These Anniversaries will be prayed
for on Friday 5th & Saturday 6th
December 10:00am Mass in Parish
Church*

Launch of the Age Friendly Carlow Strategic Plan 2025–2029 & OPC Christmas Social

**Wednesday, 10th December 10:30
a.m. – 12:30 p.m. VISUAL Carlow**
We're looking forward to a lovely event,
with festive refreshments, seasonal
celebrations, and a visit from our special
guest, actor **Patrick Bergin**. If you or
anyone you know would like to join us,
please RSVP by **5th December**
to: agefriendlycarlow@carlowcoco.ie
or ph **087 2145262**

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.*

First Friday Anniversary Mass at 8:00pm in Ballinkillen Church 5th December

Breda O'Neill, Ballinkillen
Frank & Brigid O'Hara, Ballycormack
Dermot Hughes, Ballinkillen
Michael 'Mick' Walsh, Aughabeg
Joe Pender, Ballinkillen
Patrick Redmond, Ballinkillen
Baby David Brooks, Ballymartin
Elizabeth 'Betty' Farrell, Heath
Cottage, Corries
Bridget Brennan, Ballinkillen
Patrick Brennan, Ballinkillen
Patrick Brennan Jnr, Ballinkillen
Michael Cowman, Ballinkillen
Tom Brown, Coolnacuppogue
Martin Farrell, Lorum
Michael O'Neill, Coolnacuppogue
Francis O'Shea, Kenmare, Kerry
Denise Rich, Hertfordshire, England
Francis Kearney, Lorum
John & Breda Daly, Dunroe
Alanna Connors, Seskinryan
Michael Tobin, Ballyloughan
Margaret Tobin, Ballyloughan
John Tierney, Timbergap

“**Advent** is a continuous call to
hope. It reminds us that God is
present in history to lead it to its
ultimate goal and to its fullness,
which is the Lord Jesus Christ. God is
present in the history of humanity,
He is the ‘God-with-us’, He walks
beside us to support us.”
(Pope Francis, 2020)

Ballinkillen NS Christmas Fair

takes place on Sunday 7th
December in Ballinkillen/Lorum
Community Centre from **10am to
12.30pm**. Fantastic event for all the
family: bottle stall, cake stall, raffle,
crepe stall, music and a jammed pack
hall full of various vendors who will
be selling fabulous and unique items.
*Your support would be greatly
appreciated for this event.*

CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE

There will be a Carol Service in St
Andrews Church on **Saturday 13th
December after the 6pm Mass**.
Members of St Andrews men's choir
will be joined by pupils of the
Presentation De La Salle college to
perform a selection of traditional
Christmas carols. *All are welcome to
celebrate the season in song.*

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.

PDLs Christmas Market

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

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 Friday
19th December. It is a chance for the
parish to raise some much needed
funds. *All draw proceeds go to the
parish.*

**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

For Young Women (18-40yrs) who are discerning a **Vocation to Religious/Consecrated Life**, monthly meetings are held in Charleville Retreat Centre, Cork. The day includes prayer, talks, Holy Mass, Adoration and a chance to meet and chat with religious sisters of different communities. If you are interested in attending please email womendiscern@corkandross.org

St. Vincent De Paul Annual Church Gate Collection on Saturday 13th & Sunday 14th December at all Masses in the Parish. Please give your support to those that need our help. *Thank you*

**Stand for Peace - March for Palestine -
Saturday December 6th**

As we enter the first week of Advent, we remember that Jesus was born in Bethlehem, in the land we now call Palestine. Though some relief has come with the ceasefire in Gaza, the humanitarian crisis continues, and the occupation of the West Bank persists. One way we can respond, even when we feel helpless, is to come together in peaceful solidarity.

Please join the Kilkenny, Carlow, Kildare and Laois Palestine solidarity groups for a peaceful "March for Palestine" on **Saturday, December 6th at 1 pm** from the Kilkenny Castle Main Gates.

Carlow Choral Society present A Choral Christmas on Friday 6th December at 8:00pm in Carlow Cathedral. See Choir members or Eventbrite.ie for tickets.

**Rosary & Divine Mercy every Friday
2-3pm at Grotto in Graiguenamanagh.**

Family Carers Ireland Family Carers Ireland have launched their Christmas Raffle and you could win €1,000 cash, €500 select hotels voucher or a hotel voucher. Please support family carers in your community by purchasing a ticket at www.familycarers.ie/christmas - thank you!

First Saturday Conference in Knock

To mark the 100th anniversary of the First Saturday Apparition in Pontevedra, Spain, there will be a special conference in Knock on the first Saturday in December - December 6th. The day begins with adoration and confessions at 10am in the Reconciliation Chapel. For more info visit firstsaturdays.ie

CHURCH NOTICES

8th December Holy Day Mass Times
Bagenalstown—*Sunday 7th* 7:30pm *Monday 8th* 8:00am & 10:00am

Newtown—*Monday 8th* 7:00pm
Ballinkillen—*Monday 8th* 8:00pm

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Pray for

Marie Lohan, Pairc Mhuire who was interred in Bagenalstown Cemetery on Wednesday.

Patrick 'Pat Mac' McEvoy, Glenaharry who was interred in Bagenalstown Cemetery on Friday.

Months Mind

Michael Coffey, Kilree Lane. Mass on Saturday 6th December in Bagenalstown Church at 6:00pm.

Pat Nolan, Newtown. Mass on Sunday 7th December in Newtown Church at 9:00am.

1st Anniversary

Antonia Egan, St. Brigid Crescent, Mass on Saturday 29th November in Bagenalstown Church at 6pm.

**First Holy Communion Preparation Mass
will be on Sunday 7th December**

9:00am in Newtown Church (Newtown NS & Nurney)

10:00am in Ballinkillen Church (Ballinkillen NS)

11:30am in Bagenalstown Church (St. Brigids Boys NS & Queen of the Universe NS)