

Pray for

Tommy Dillon, Pairc Mhuire who was interred in Bagenalstown Cemetery on Tuesday.

Patrick Canavan, Shropshire, England & St. Brigids Crescent. Burial of Ashes on Saturday 21st February in Bagenalstown Cemetery at 2pm.

Kathleen Nolan, Ballytarsna who was interred in Newtown Cemetery on Thursday.

Months Mind

Jason Williams, Ballyloughan. Mass on Saturday 14th February in Bagenalstown Church at 6:00pm.

Bridie Treacy, Conway Park. Mass on Sunday 15th February in Bagenalstown Church at 7:30pm.

Kathleen Whelan, Kilree Street. Mass on Sunday 15th February in Ballinkillen Church at 10:00am.

1st Anniversary

Alice Mahon, 34 Pairc Mhuire. Mass on Sunday 15th February in Bagenalstown Church at 11:30am.

Emily McEvoy, Station Road. Mass on Saturday 21st February in Bagenalstown Church at 6:00pm.

Martin Lennon, Lumclone. Mass on Sunday 22nd February in Newtown Church at 9:00am.

Sharon Doyle, Leighlinbridge. Mass on Sunday 22nd February in Bagenalstown Church at 11:30am.

Stephen Bambrick, St. Brigids Crescent. Mass on Sunday 22nd February in Bagenalstown Church at 7:30pm.

ANNIVERSARIES

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

Timothy Guidera, Ballyknockan
Elizabeth & Patrick Lillis, Kilcarrig Street
Margaret Mary Lynch, Long Range

Teresa Grey, Kilree
Bridie Byrne, Kilcarrig
Oliver Walshe, Dublin & Royal Oak Road

Brendan 'China' Ellard, Killenane
Larry Ellard Snr, Killenane

Joe Ellard, Killenane
Olivia McCullagh, Glenaharry
James & Mary Reddy, 16 Kilcarrig Street

Kitty Monaghan, Royal Oak Road
Margaret Mara, St. Brigids Crescent & her daughter Chrissie

Michael Jordan, Glenaharry
George Rothwell, Ballycormack
Lily Dermody, Pairc Mhuire

Jonathan Curran, St. Brigids Crescent
Baby Michael Gaynor, Kilree
Eddie Kinsella, Kilcarrig

James Dooley, 84 Pairc Mhuire
Paddy Canavan, St. Brigids Crescent
Margaret Fitzgerald, Rathduff

James & Cecelia Coogan, Gormona
their sons Tom & Ned, & daughter
Kathleen Walker

Mary Carroll
Peter Connolly
Don & Elizabeth DeLacey, Conway Park
Sheila Walsh, Seskinryan

These Anniversaries will be prayed for on Friday 20th & 21st February 10:00am Mass in Parish Church

Ballinkillen Active

Retirement members meeting every 1st Wednesday of every month in Ballinkillen Lorum Community Centre from 2pm to 4pm. Meeting to have a chat, discuss what you would like to do, have a cup of tea and light refreshments.

Painting classes on Wednesdays 18th and 25th February from 2pm to 4pm each week, tutor Dawn Hennessy. New members welcome (anyone over 55). Membership fee for the year is €15.

Borris Parish—Fr Rory will celebrate Holy Mass in honour of the **Feast of the Holy Face of Jesus on Shrove Tuesday 17th February at 10am** in Sacred Heart Church, Borris followed by silent Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament (*unless there is a Funeral Mass*)

A great big **THANK YOU** to Bagenalstown Community Centre for their generous donation towards new floor covering in Bagenalstown Church Sacristy and Galleries. Thank You.

Marriage Enrichment Week-end Catholic Marriage Encounter in Ireland, Dates: 20 -22 March 2026, Venue: "St Marys" Knock, Co. Mayo. A WEEK-END LIKE NO OTHER.

Online: www.marriageencounter.ie

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.

Parish Pilgrimage to**Lourdes 12th June 2026**

'There is still time' Even if you are only thinking about going please give Geraldine a shout ASAP Geraldine Monahan 087-4166803 we have reached the minimum number required but would love to have you join us

Ballinkillen Lorum**Community Centre**

Bingo every Monday @ 8pm

The Mother and Baby**Institutions Payment Scheme**

The Mother and Baby Institutions Payment Scheme launched in March 2024 following the Government agreed actions arising from the Commission of Investigation into Mother and Baby homes and certain related matters. The Payment scheme provides financial payments, and health supports to eligible people who spent time in Mother and Baby and County Home Institutions in Ireland. Eligibility criteria can be found online, and applications can be made via an online portal (website below) or by post

Visit: www.gov.ie/en/department-of-children-disability-and-equality/campaigns/mother-and-baby-institutions-payment-scheme/

Contact Helpline: 01 522 9922 (call to request application pack)

All applications are handled with care, dignity and full confidentiality.

Medjugorje Prayer

Group Meeting in Our Lady's Chapel, Bagenalstown Church.

EVERY Tuesday after 10:00am Mass *All welcome*

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.*

**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

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 on 16th May at 11:00am
Newtown Church

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

Our Lady's NS, Nurney.

Is welcoming applications for new pupils for September 2026.
Details and application form at www.ourladysnurney.com.
Now offering Breakfast club and Afterschools service. Subsidies
available.

Eucharistic Adoration Every Tuesday 7:00pm-
8:00pm in Parish Church. *Everyone welcome*

"In Ireland today, over 45,000 people live with
epilepsy. For further information, please visit
www.epilepsy.ie. Purple Day (or Epilepsy
Awareness Day) will take place on Thursday 26th
March."

Carlow Flower Club will hold a flower arranging
demonstration by Brenda Joyce on Tuesday 24th
February at 8.00pm in the Woodford Dolmen Hotel. Non
members welcome to attend, Fee for non-Members €10.
Competition on the night for all classes "Spring Awakening"

CHURCH NOTICES

Sunday 15 February Living Lent 2026

Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of Lent -a special and sacred time of renewal of our identity as baptised Christians. Lent is a time to rediscover what it means to say, 'I am baptised'. What difference does this make to who I am and how I am? What changes do I need to make in my life to live my baptism more deeply? With its disciplines of prayer, fasting and charity, the season gives us many opportunities for personal renewal. If we grasp these opportunities, we can arrive at Easter ready to truly commit to our baptism, to be renewed and ready to celebrate the joy at the centre of our faith – the life, death and resurrection of Christ. *How will you choose to live Lent this year?*

Visit to the Housebound will be attended

MONDAY 16th February

Monday morning—Town Area

Monday afternoon –Ballinkillen Area & Newtown Area

Trocaire Boxes—

Will be distributed through the schools, if you don't get one you can pick one up in the church. Our generosity can significantly add to the quality of life for our poorer brothers and sisters in the world.

Temperance Sunday, 15 February

Parishioners who wish to take a short-term pledge for Lent are invited to visit www.pioneers.ie or to speak to a Pioneer in the parish. "Off the drink for Lent" is a reminder that "the bonds of friendship and affection do not unravel with death" ... or with addiction or sickness. Prayer and penance have been part of the response by many Irish families to the challenges which they have met across the centuries. The short-term Pioneer pledge for Lent is a gesture of solidarity with people who are living "one day at a time" according to the 12 Step AA programme.

ASH WEDNESDAY

18th February

Day of Fast and Abstinence
Mass Times

Parish Church 8:00am

Parish Church 10:00am

Newtown 7:00pm

Ballinkillen 8:00pm

*Blessed Ashes will be
distributed at all Masses.*