

**Pray for**

**Molly Donoghue**, Conway Park who was interred in Paulstown last Sunday.

**Peggy O'Brien**, Pairc Mhuire who was interred in Bagenalstown Cemetery on Monday.

**Peter 'Dooley' Hynes**, Fr Cummins Park whose Funeral Mass took place Tuesday followed by Cremation in Dublin.

**Catherine 'Ciss' Foley**, Knockananna (*mother of Fr Declan*)

**Months Mind**

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

**1st Anniversary**

**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.

**Pat Lee**, 51 St. Brigids Crescent. Mass on Saturday 28th February in Bagenalstown Church at 6:00pm.

**ANNIVERSARIES**

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

Martin Darcy, Conway Park

Margaret Jordan, Glenaharry

Tom & Peg Hickey, 12 St. Brigids Crescent

Myles & Ellen Quirke, Monemore

Johnny Williams, Conway Park

Esther Power, Bennettsbridge

Peggy Hughes, Pairc Mhuire

Peter Hughes, Pairc Mhuire

Thomas O'Neill, Dunleckney

Josephine Randall, Barrett Street

Elizabeth Gethings

Matthew Gethings

Jim Cushen, Pairc Mhuire &

Graiguenamanagh

Sheila Cushen, Graiguenamanagh

Tom Foley, Aughabeg

Kathleen Kennedy, St. Brigids

Crescent

John Condren, Ratheadon

Danny Broderick, 61 Conway Park

*These Anniversaries will be prayed for on Friday 27th & 28th February 10:00am Mass in Parish Church*

**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.

**TABLE QUIZ**

Garryhill I.C.A. are holding a Table Quiz in the Hunters Rest, Fenagh on Thursday 5th March at 8:30pm. Table of 4 €40.

**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

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

**Rainbows Carlow**

Now has a new email and phone number to contact Carlow Rainbows. [rainbows.carlowtown@gmail.com](mailto:rainbows.carlowtown@gmail.com) and 087 1256199. The Spring term of peer support groups commences on Mon 23rd Feb, at 4.30pm in Askea Parish Centre. New facilitators to help with facilitating groups are always welcome and support is provided please get in touch if you would be interesting in volunteering with us.

**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

**Medjugorje Prayer**

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

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

**Male domestic abuse support service**

The male domestic abuse support service offers 1:1 confidential support to men experiencing abuse of any kind from their partner of any gender. Please contact 0832088689 or email [lauraryan@bagenalstownfrc.ie](mailto:lauraryan@bagenalstownfrc.ie) for more information.

**Marriage Enrichment Weekend**

Catholic Marriage Encounter in Ireland, Dates: 20 -22 March 2026, Venue: "St Marys" Knock, Co. Mayo. A WEEKEND LIKE NO OTHER. Online: [www.marriageencounter.ie](http://www.marriageencounter.ie)

**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

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**Confirmation Dates 2026**

Garryhill NS on 14<sup>th</sup> March at 11:00am in Ballinkillen

Church

Ballinkillen NS on 14<sup>th</sup> March 11:00am Ballinkillen

Church

Newtown Dunleckney NS on 21<sup>st</sup> March 11:00am

Newtown Church

**First Holy Communion Dates 2026**

St. Brigids Boys NS on 25<sup>th</sup> April at 11:00am

Bagenalstown Church

Queen of the Universe NS on 25<sup>th</sup> April at 11:00am

Bagenalstown Church

Ballinkillen NS on 9<sup>th</sup> May at 11:00am Ballinkillen Church

Newtown Dunleckney NS on 16<sup>th</sup> May at 11:00am

Newtown Church

Nurney NS on 23<sup>rd</sup> 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](http://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*

**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.

*The  
Season  
of  
Lent*



**CHURCH NOTICES**

**Sunday 22 February 1st Sunday of Lent.**

**Digging Deeper – Living Lent: Some suggestions for the week**

† Reflect on next Sunday's Gospel using the material from 'Baptised and Sent in Lent'. Look out for local group sessions or set up your own group. Resources on [www.syond.ie](http://www.syond.ie)

† Make the Sign of the Cross when leaving your home/passing a church/cemetery/ before & after a meal

† Give up social media for an evening (or more!)

† Take a pause when you want to give out

† Give up a coffee/ a meal and donate the money you save

† Support Trócaire's Lenten appeal

Gospel Link: Baptised and Sent by the Spirit. As we start our 40 days of Lent, in today's gospel we see Jesus undertaking a similar discipline and experiencing the very human realities of temptation and hunger

along the way. Having just been baptised, he is led by the Spirit. Within the struggle of the desert, we see that Jesus is not alone. God sends angels to take care of him. This gospel passage is a timely reminder that we follow in the footsteps of Jesus who came among us to show us the way to God. Like Jesus, as baptised people we are led by the Spirit. We are never alone in our attempts to turn back to God and renew our lives. Led by the Spirit, we have Jesus and God's angels as our companions to give us strength and to bring us closer to God, the source of our life; we need never be afraid or alone. This Lent, where is the Spirit leading you? (Julie Kavanagh) (For deeper connection with the Gospel see [synod.ie](http://synod.ie) for Baptised and Sent in Lent – a reflection series for Lent)

**Many thanks to all who support the Envelope Collections it really is much appreciated. New Envelopes are available from next week for the new Envelope Year.**



**First Holy Communion Preparation Mass will be on Sunday 1st March**

**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)