

ANNIVERSARIES

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

Ina Rice, Garryhill

Michael & Christine Jones, The Parade & their daughters Breda Ozun & Bernie McGarry

Jack Kelly, 70 Pairc Mhuire

Ned Byrne, Oak Grove

John & Margaret Monahan, 1 Pairc Mhuire

Mollie Reilly, St. Brigids Crescent

Michael Reilly, Kells Road

Stephanie Cox, Oak Grove

Ellen Lupton, Carrig

Bridie Lupton, Carrig

Daniel O'Connell, St. Brigids Crescent

Johanna Kelly, 3 Station Road

Mary Mullins, Harrow Cross

Batt Sheehan, Ballynoe, Cork

Martin Tobin, Kilree

Noel Lynch, Bohermore

Mary Cowman, Ballymoon

These Anniversaries will be prayed for on Friday 24th & Saturday 25th April 10:00am Mass in Parish Church

Daffodill Day—A total of €11,850 was collected. Thanks very much to all who donated & bought on the day, the sellers who gave their time free, Marion for the rota on the day. Thanks to Georgina & John for the caravan and to all who donated fresh daffodils, those who came and picked & tied daffodils. *Your support is greatly appreciated.*

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.*

TRACTOR RUN

Fundraising event in aid of PDLs College and Eist Cancer Support Services 10th May (*please note change of date*), Registration at 11am, departure 13.00 from Carlow Concrete Tanks Bagenalstown R21 TH59 €20

Save the Date: Parishes Alive - Becoming Synodal

The third annual Parishes Alive Day will take place on the 20th of June 2026 in Carlow College, St Patrick's from 10am to 4pm with lunch included. Full details of the speakers and content, as well as booking instructions, will be published around the middle of May. Pat Roche, Diocesan Director of Parish Development.

Dr Daniel William Cahill: upcoming lecture and exhibition

A lecture about Dr Daniel William Cahill (1796-1864), an Arles native, prominent Catholic priest and celebrated science lecturer will take place at Carlow College, St Patrick's on Thursday, 23 April starting at 7:30 p.m. All are welcome to attend and admission is free of charge. The talk, organised by the Delany Archive, will be delivered by Dr Diarmid Finnegan, Queen's University Belfast. The talk, which is entitled "This panorama of billions of worlds": Daniel William Cahill (1796-1864) and the politics of astronomy in post-Emancipation Ireland" will explore key episodes in Cahill's largely untold story.

A musical evening not to be missed Charity Concert in St Patrick's Church Newtown on 9th May 2026 at 7.30PM. Newtown Community Choir are holding its second Charity Concert after last year's resounding success. Eurovision's winners Charlie McGettigan and Paul Harrington are special guests and will perform some of their well-known music. There will also be performances by the choir and a number of local talented artists. MC for the evening is none other than RTE's Mary Kennedy who will bring her own dynamic talent to the concert. Our very own Ollie Hennesy one of Carlow's finest musicians is musical director.

All proceeds will go towards Breakthrough Cancer Research and St Patrick's Church development fund.

Tickets (€25) are available from the Parish Office (059 9721154) ; The Little Shop Bagenalstown , Reas Department Store and Kearney's Fenagh, The Black Cat Fenagh. Also online at [eventbrite.ie](https://www.eventbrite.ie)

Accord Carlow has availability for their *May and June Marriage Preparation Courses* at St Catherine's Community Centre. Accord's Marriage Preparation course builds on your individual and couple strengths, and offers you practical techniques and psychological insights to enhance your relationship and to integrate these practices into the Sacramental vision of your married life together. *Book online at Accord.ie.*

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

Plant Sale 3rd May 2pm-5pm in Nurery R93KC90. Selection of baked goods also available Complimentary tea & coffee served on the day. **All proceeds to Our Lady's N.S. Nurery.**

Holy Land Collection on Good Friday was €1,410 many thanks to you all for your support.

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

Ballinkillen Lorum Community Centre
Bingo every Monday @ 8pm

**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

GRAVEYARD MASSES 2026

NEWTOWN—Friday 5th June at 7:00pm

**BALLINKILLEN—Friday 12th June at
7:00pm**

**BAGENALSTOWN—Friday 19th June at
7:00pm**

**DUNLECKNEY—Friday 26th June at
7:00pm**

**Launch Leighlin Community Dementia -
Friendly Action Plan**

Thursday 30th April 7:30pm-9:00pm in Leighlin Parish Centre. All are welcome to come and learn how we can work together to make our community at place where people living with dementia feel understood, respected and supported. Panel discussion on “Dementia an our Community”. Launch of our “Friendship Bench” in partnership with Carlow Mental Health Assoc. Info stands. Light refreshments will be served.
leighlindementiacommunity@gmail.com

Parish Pilgrimage to *Medjugorje* September

24th—October 1st 2026 €879pps. For more details contact
Helen Wall 086-8226930 *Spiritual Director:* Fr Declan.

FUNDRAISER Concert in St. Mary’s Church ,
Bagenalstown on **Wednesday 27th May at 8:00pm. *Appearing on the night:*** Tullow Choir, Cór Bearú, HSE Choir, St. Andrews Mens Choir. Tickets €20 available from The Little Shop & Bagenalstown Business Office & Parishioners Ruth 083-0111878(no texting please) or 059-9721414. Whist drive in St. Mary’s Hall every Friday night at 8:30pm. Your support would be much appreciated.

Carlow Flower Club Our April flower night will be a demonstration by AOIFA Teacher and Judge Elizabeth Murray. Looking forward to seeing all our members and friends on Tuesday April 28th at 8.00pm in the Woodford Dolmen Hotel. There will be a plant sale on the night, and the competition for all classes is “Down by the Sally Gardens”. Deposit €20 for those travelling on our outing on May 28 th will be collected on the night. Visitors welcome €10

CHURCH NOTICES

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

PRAY FOR

Laurence ‘Larry’ Power, 35 Fr Cummins Park & Ballyloughan who was interred in Bagenalstown Cemetery on Monday.

Agnes McGrath nee McEvoy, 40 Conway Park who was interred in Bagenalstown Cemetery on Monday.

Mick Thompson, Graiguecullen & Ballyloo (*brother of Vera Lomax, Ballybromhill*)

Mai Burke nee Hogan, Clontarf, Dublin (*sister of Rita Brennan, Oak Grove*)

Months Mind

Carmel Kiely, 14 Fairgreen. Mass on Sunday 26th April in Bagenalstown Church at 11:30am.

1st Anniversary

Michael Lomax, Ballybromhill. Mass on Sunday 26th April in Newtown Church at 9:00am.

Mary O’Sullivan nee Gardiner, Killarney & St. Brigids Crescent. Mass on Friday 24th April in Bagenalstown Church at 10am.

Trocaire Boxes—

Please return Trocaire boxes at Mass Time. *Thank you*