

ANNIVERSARIES

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

Annie Mahon, Barrett Street

Sheila Keenan, Dunleckney

Úna Nolan, Pairc Mhuire

Richard Murphy, Bridge House

Catherine Meaney, Ballyloughan

Catherine Trodden, St. Brigids

Crescent

These Anniversaries will be prayed for on Friday 17th & Saturday 18th July 10:00am Mass in Parish Church

Thanks to all who generously donated to the recent Concern Church Gate Collection in Newtown €125 was forwarded to Concern.

Church Collections If you are making a donation directly to the parish through the Bank (please contact the parish office to let us know you are doing this) **Bank Name and Address:** Bank Of Ireland, Main Street, Bagenalstown, Carlow

Name of Account: Bagenalstown Parish.

BIC: BOFIE2D

IBAN: IE35BOFI90649410971660

Your support for the Parish is greatly appreciated

Relics and Exhibition of St Thérèse of Lisieux at Carmelite Friary Church, Kildare

The Carmelite Friary Church, White Abbey, Kildare Town, will celebrate the Novena to Our Lady of Mount Carmel from 7th to 16th July 2026, with Mass each day at 10:00am. A special moment of grace will take place on Thursday, 16th July 2026, when the relics of St Thérèse of Lisieux will be present at the 10:00am Mass for public veneration. This marks the 25th-anniversary milestone of the historic 2001 visit of the relics of St Thérèse to Ireland. There will also be an Exhibition on St Thérèse of Lisieux in Carmel Hall from 15th to 16th July 2026, kindly prepared and presented by the Sweeney family. The Feast Day Mass of Our Lady of Mount Carmel on 16th July will be celebrated by Fr Simon Nolan O.Carm, Provincial of the Irish Carmelites. All are welcome to attend. Carmelite Friary Church, White Abbey, Kildare Town, Co. Kildare, R51 K379
Contact: 083 090 4124

ACCORD Carlow

We offer counselling in Carlow at St Catherine's on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, and we have two upcoming Marriage Preparation courses in September and November in Carlow. Please contact carlow@accord.ie or phone 086 4149034 for more details.

A Talk on Carlow Saints Thursday 16th July at 6.30 pm, All Welcome!

This lively presentation is about the quirky history of saints associated with county Carlow. Describing beautiful and little known locations in the county associated with a surprising number of Carlow saints, author and writer in residence Caroline Busher and Christopher Power, of Carlow Library Service, will describe in fascinating detail this mostly forgotten aspect of our counties history. Using images and unique sources, this promises to be a very interesting event.

Summerstars Reading Challenge

for Primary School Children has commenced in all Carlow Library branches, call in and get your free Summerstars Activity Book & Monster Sticker, enter the weekly prize draws & enter the mega prize at the end of the Summer!

There's nothing to lose only lots of books to choose!

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**

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

Medjugorje Prayer Group

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

The **Barrow Bus** is a new bus service which will run from Bagenalstown to Graiguenamanagh four times a day, with the early morning (9.30am) service going to St Mullins, returning later. Stops in Royal Oak, Paulstown, Goresbridge, Skeoughvosteen, Graiguenamanagh. This service will continue for the summer and is absolutely FREE! Booking is not essential but recommended. Information on timetables and booking at www.barrowbus.palisis.com and also on Facebook and Instagram @thebarrowbus.

This project is funded by Kilkenny Leader Partnership and is a research project intended to strengthen community ties in rural Ireland. *Please take advantage of this service at least once during the summer. Take a trip around our own beautiful countryside without having to drive!*

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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South Leinster Money Advice & Budgeting Service. Carlow MABS

72d Tullow Street, Carlow Tel: 0818 072070.

Free, independent and confidential Money Management and Advice Service-Assisting people in dealing with their existing debts, Mortgage arrears and helping them to begin to manage their own resources.

MABS offers free Debt Relief Advice under Personal Insolvency options Money management Sessions provided for Transition/Leaving Cert Students & Community Groups

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

**Ballinkillen Lorum Community
Centre** Bingo every Monday @ 8pm

Funding opportunity for Tidy Towns and Community Groups across Carlow.

Carlow County Council, in partnership with IPB Insurance, has announced the launch of the Local Environmental Action Fund (LEAF), a new initiative aimed at supporting community led climate action and environmental improvement projects across the county. The fund will provide grants ranging from €2,000 to €10,000 to support projects that focus on biodiversity, climate action, and environmental enhancement. The initiative is designed to empower local communities to take practical steps in addressing environmental challenges and improving their local areas. Applications are open to Tidy Towns groups and voluntary community organisations registered with the Carlow Public Participation Network (PPN). Groups are also encouraged to collaborate with local schools, clubs, and other organisations to strengthen their proposals and broaden community impact.

Applications open on Tuesday 14th July and close at on Monday 3rd August. Further details available on www.carlow.ie or carlow.ie/environment/climate-action/climate-action-initiatives If you want to learn more about the fund and how to apply? Join our online information webinar: **Wednesday, 15th July @ 7pm.**

Just email climate@carlowcoco.ie to receive the link.

CHURCH NOTICES

PRAY FOR

Simon McDonald, Anagar, Old Leighlin.

Margaret Byrne, Watford, England (*niece of the late Mai Egan, Royal Oak Road*)

Rita Barry, Ballon (*sister-in-law of Liam Barry, Kilree Lane*)

Bill Hogan, England & Lumclone.

1st Anniversary

Margaret Foster, 9 Conway Park. Mass on Saturday 11th July in Bagenalstown Church at 6:00pm.

John Callan, Donore & Ballinkillen. Mass on Sunday 18th July in Ballinkillen Church at 10:00am.

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.

Catholic Grandparents Association - National Pilgrimage to Knock

Takes place on the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly on Sunday 26th July. Commencing at 2.30pm with the Anointing of the Sick, chief celebrant is Archbishop Eamon Martin. Celebrate the 25th National Grandparents Pilgrimage and the Golden Jubilee of the Knock Basilica with a memorable, faith filled day of prayer, thanksgiving and blessing for grandparents, the elderly and all families.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter is a Catholic movement, now formally recognised by the Holy See — its Statutes were approved by the Vatican on 11 March 2026 in the presence of Cardinal Kevin Farrell. For over fifty years, Marriage Encounter Weekends have helped thousands of couples across Ireland and the world to deepen their relationship with each other and with God, through the gift of communication, renewed commitment, and shared faith. This is truly a weekend like no other. **Weekend Details Venue:** Focolare Centre, Curryhills, Prosperous, Co. Kildare **Dates:** Friday 2nd – Sunday 4th October 2026 **Arrival:** Friday from 7:00 p.m., programme concludes Sunday approx. 4:30 p.m. **Register at:** www.marriageencounter.ie