

## **MONTHS MIND**

**Kevin Halligan**, Eastwood. Mass on Saturday 14th September in Bagenalstown Church at 6:00pm.

**Daniel ‘Tony’ Fenelon**, Ballinakill, Garryhill. Mass on Sunday 15th September in Bagenalstown Church at 7:30pm.

**Jenny Maher**, Augha. Mass on Sunday 22nd September in Newtown Church at 0:00am.

## **1st Anniversary**

**Patricia McDonnell**, Kilcarrig Street. Mass on Sunday 15th September in Bagenalstown Church at 11:30am.

**Dermot Lawlor**, Dermay Cottage, Royal Oak Road. Mass on Saturday 21st September in Bagenalstown Church at 6:00pm.

## **Medjugorje Prayer Group**

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

## **BEAM AGM**

Will be held on Mon 23<sup>rd</sup> Sept 2024 At 7.30pm In our New building BEAM @the Barrow, High Street, Bagenalstown Ph: 059 97 23504 *All are very welcome*

**Eucharistic Adoration** Every Tuesday 7:00pm-8:00pm in Parish Church. All welcome *“We need to recover a sense of awe and adoration before the Eucharist knowing it is the real and loving presence of the Lord”.*

## **ANNIVERSARIES**

Mary Fitzgerald, Ballinakill, Garryhill  
Sean Clarke, Fr Cummins Park  
George & Mary Darcy, Kilree Street & their daughter Annie  
O’Sullivan Family, Dunmore East  
John Nolan, Augha  
Martin Mullins Jnr, Harrow Cross  
John Whelan, St. Brigids Crescent  
Edward Mahon, Kilgreaney  
Deceased members of Mahon Family, Kilgreaney  
Matty Cowman, Ballymoon  
Charles Hayhoe, Kingsgrove, Athy  
Laureen Coffey, Royal Oak Road  
Anastasia Salter, 49 St. Brigids Crescent

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

## **The Experience of the French Catechumenate (Free Webinar)**

*Webinar takes place on 24th September @ 7pm* with Dr Alexander O’Hara (National Director for Catechetics) and Professor Roland Lacroix on The Experience of the French Catechumenate and what we can learn in Ireland in relation to the Adult Catechumenate (RCIA) from the French experience. The link to register for the free webinar can be accessed here: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/the-french-experience-of-the-catechumenate-tickets-1002873711267?aff=oddtcreator>

## **Bagenalstown Parish**

**Yearbook 2024** The ever-popular Yearbook returns for your Christmas reading pleasure. The latest date for the acceptance of your story, article, essay, club, association or school news is 1 October 2024. No exception will be made to this date. Please email to [bagenalstownyearbook@gmail.com](mailto:bagenalstownyearbook@gmail.com). Photographs should be sent as jpegs. The Yearbook committee would welcome new members to the committee. Any queries should be directed to Ann Power 9722042 or Michael Lakes 087-2675661 or any committee member.

**ACP Zoom gathering** *Gráinne Doherty: “Go and Tell”* : The Prophetic Voice of Women ZOOM – Thu 19th Sep. 2024 – 8.00 p.m. <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82083102910pwd=gAlmUV4wQDF909H8aKNbste3ukbuvx.1>

Meeting ID: 820 8310 2910 Passcode: 910816 Positioned on the margins of systems of power, the prophet is identified with, on the one hand, giving voice to the pain and fragility of such systems while, on the other hand, holding out a deep hope and belief in the values of the reign of God. In this rescheduled talk, **Gráinne Doherty** will explore both the isolation and the power of women’s prophetic witness and voice in, and to, the Catholic church. **Dr. Gráinne Doherty** works in pastoral ministry, adult faith formation, and facilitation. Prior to becoming self-employed, Gráinne was part of the Theology department in All Hallows College (Dublin) for many years, while also working in pastoral leadership at both parish and diocesan level. Her Veritas publication Joy of Love: A Family Perspective (2018) is a book of spiritual reflections and prayers which situates the writings of Pope Francis in the reality of family experience today. All are welcome to join.

**CMAI Conference:** The Catholic Medical Association of Ireland (formerly known as the Irish Catholic Doctors Learning Network) will hold its annual Conference in the St Charles Centre, Mount Argus on Saturday, 21 September, from 9.00am to 4.00 pm. The theme of the Conference is “Building Blocks for an Ethics of Healthcare”. The Conference Mass will be celebrated by our new Auxiliary Bishop of Dublin, Bishop Paul Dempsey. For more information, email [icdln@eircom.net](mailto:icdln@eircom.net)

**Catholic Marriage Encounter** Catholic Marriage Encounter in Ireland is a Weekend experience is for married couples who want something more in their marriage - more fun, spontaneity, excitement, communication, understanding, romance, intimacy, passion, joy. Our next Marriage Enrichment Weekend is Friday 8 - 10 November 2024 Venue: Focolare Centre, Prosperous, Co. Kildare Online booking only: [www.marriageencounter.ie](http://www.marriageencounter.ie)

## **Ballinkillen/Lorum Community Centre**

*Bingo* every Monday @ 8 PM. Monday Monday 16th Sep Jackpot €800 Everyone welcome.

**‘You Are Not Alone Family Support Group’** support for family members impacted by a relative’s drug or alcohol use. Meetings take place in the Askea Parish Centre every Wednesday for further information contact 085-7872730.

**LIVE WEBCAM from our Parish Church** which can be viewed from our Parish website—[www.bagenalstownparish.ie](http://www.bagenalstownparish.ie)

**FUNERALS**

**24 HOUR Notice** is required from the Family if they wish to have Funeral Mass recorded.

**Ballinkillen Lorum Community Centre Club**

Bingo every Monday @ 8pm. Everyone welcome.

**Accord Carlow**

Marriage Preparation Programme  
Places available on the following dates  
11th & 2th October, 8th & 9th  
November Book your place today on  
[www.accord.ie](http://www.accord.ie)

**County Carlow Environmental Network (CCEN) Free Film Viewing Event**

You are invited to see “The Rights of Nature” film on Wed the 25th of September in the Visual, Carlow town at 7pm. It is an Irish-made film about what if species had rights? Learn about how to speak for species without a voice, and how we can redefine our relationship with the natural world. You will be invited after the film to a discussion about the film in the Visual bar area. There will be a guest speaker.

FREE admission, but booking is necessary:

<https://visualcarlow.ie/whats-on/the-rights-of-nature>

**Invitation to Meditation:** Carlow Meditation Group meets on Monday evenings from 7 pm to 7:45 pm in the Cathedral Parish Centre, College Street, Carlow - *excluding bank holidays. Meditation, the universal practice of silent contemplation, can awaken the heart, deepen our spiritual sensitivity and promote our wellbeing. All are welcome - no experience needed. No need to book – just turn up on any Monday evening!* (Noel Keating, 087 2251183)

**The Climate Crisis – what can we do?**

In response to the Climate Crisis, you are invited to a Webinar facilitated by Jane Mellett of Trocaire on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> September at 7.30 pm. To register for this webinar, click the following link <https://bit.ly/3XDKJct> and enter your name and address

**Runners and Walkers wanted for Outrun Hunger 5k**

*Whether you run, jog, or walk you can help St Clare's Hospitality Food Kitchen, Carlow 'Outrun Hunger'. Sat Oct 19<sup>th</sup> 10am - Carlow Rugby Club, Oak Park, Carlow R93 RX25 Registration opens 8.30am. Refreshments & prize-giving afterwards in Carlow Rugby Club, T-shirts, medals & refreshments for all participants. So, lace up your runners and let's help those in our community who are experiencing food insecurity! For every €2 raised, we can provide a meal to those in need in St Clare's food Kitchen, Graiguecullen, Carlow. Book your place today by logging on to [www.popupraces.ie/race/outrun-hunger](http://www.popupraces.ie/race/outrun-hunger) or call Jacqui on 0868283637 for more info.*

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**'CHURCH NOTICES'**

24<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year

15<sup>th</sup> September 2024

**'Pledge your Pin for Peace' at the Ploughing Championships STAND 221 DIOCESE OF KILDARE & LEIGHLIN SEPTEMBER 17-19**

Once again, the diocese will be present in Ratheniska for the Ploughing Championships this year. At our Diocesan Stand 221 visitors will be invited to pledge their desire for peace in our world by placing a coloured pin on a specially designed St. Brigid's Cross, which, we hope, will be presented to Pope Francis next year during World Youth Day in Rome. The St Brigid's Cloak created on the Stand last year will be on display, a vivid reminder of the importance of our Diocesan Patron Saint and the 1500<sup>th</sup> anniversary that we are currently celebrating.

Bishop Denis especially looks forward to welcoming the many people from our parishes who will visit Ratheniska this week. The **'Pledge Your Pin For Peace'** initiative will be a practical way of expressing our 'no' to the horrific wars that are affecting the lives of so many all over the globe. It is hoped that in pledging a pin for peace people will make a commitment to pray for peace. An initiative to set our phones to **'Ping for Peace'** will also be launched.

Bishop Denis is delighted that the Bell of St. Columbanus will be rung for peace every hour on our Stand. This Bell was cast a decade ago to mark the 1400<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the missionary born in Myshall, Co. Carlow, who brought Celtic Christianity to parts of France and Italy. Bishop Denis will host the 26th International Columbanus Day in Carlow next July, the first time it is being held in the Republic of Ireland.

As always, the cherished tradition of having blessed salt available to bring home and spread on land and gardens will continue. The Church is continuing its drive to promote vocations to the priesthood and a section of the Kildare & Leighlin tent will be devoted to encouraging people to foster callings to priestly ministry.

**Visit of the Relic of St Bernadette**

In September and October this year, the relics of Saint Bernadette will journey on pilgrimage to Ireland for the very first time, visiting every diocese in the country. This very special, once-in-lifetime event will provide an opportunity for people of all ages and backgrounds to experience the special gifts and charisms of Lourdes in their diocese. *The relics of St Bernadette will visit Kildare and Leighlin this October, on the 7th in Carlow Cathedral and on the 8th in Portlaoise Parish.* Further details relating to the visit to Kildare & Leighlin will follow shortly.

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Parish Office Hours: Mon/Tues/Thurs 9:30-5pm / Fri 9:30-12noon

(Office closed Wednesday)

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