

WE REMEMBER THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

RIP. Pauline Kehoe, Rathlyon, Tullow who died recently.

MASSES FOR SATURDAY 21ST FEBRUARY, 7.30 P.M.

FIRST ANNIVERSARY: Maura Sheppard Ouragh.

FIRST ANNIVERSARY: Paddy Hickey, Tullowland.

Kathleen and Peter Rooney, 56 Dublin Road. Mary Kennedy, Coppenagh. Dan Nolan, Rath East. Jackie Nolan, Knocklow. Josef Morawa

MASSES FOR SUNDAY 22ND FEBRUARY, 11 A.M.

FIRST ANNIVERSARY: Ann Halligan, Hillbrook Estate.

Ada Cummins, Hillbrook Estate. Elizabeth & Patrick Deegan and deceased family members, Rathglass. Eddie Byrne, Laburnum Lodge. Robert Kelly, U.S.A.

MASSES FOR SUNDAY 22ND FEBRUARY, 10 A.M. in Ardattin

MONTHS MIND: Anne Hannaford (nee McGrath), Ardristan and formerly of Ballintemple.

ANNIVERSARIES: Paul Maher, Ballynoe, Ardattin, Mary Ann Roche, Ballynoe, Ardattin.

MASSES FOR SATURDAY 28TH FEBRUARY, 7.30 P.M.

Michael & Elizabeth Dowling & sons Paul and Pat, 59 Dublin Road. Michael Brennan, 56 St. Patrick's Park. Vera & Arthur Byrne, Drumcondra. John & Mary Madden, Mill Street and grandson Cathal, Castlegrace. Joe & Lill Keating and deceased family members, Castle-dermot Road. Brigid (Pat) Harrison (nee Keating), St. Olivers Villas. Tom, Jim & Paddy Keating & deceased family members, late of 14 Templeowen.

ANNIVERSARY: Jimmy & Mary Murphy, Ardoynes next Sunday 1st March at 10 a.m. in Ardattin Church.



MASS FOR SUNDAY 1ST MARCH, 11 A.M.

Sheila Brennan, Kill.

Baptised and Sent in Lent 2026

In Rathvilly Parish Centre, beside GAA football field, each Wednesday of Lent at 7.30pm. Join a Lenten Journey of prayer and reflection. Renew your faith, pray, reflect, serve and grow in mission. This programme encourages people to rediscover their baptismal calling, listen to Holy Spirit and take concrete steps to deepen their faith individually and as a community.

TULLOW, GRANGE & ARDATTIN PARISH NEWSLETTER

22nd February 2026

First Sunday of Lent



PARISH CONTACTS

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Registered Charity No: 20015848

Mass Times: Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 9.30 a.m.

Service of the Word & Holy Communion: Tuesday and Thursday at 9.30 am

Confessions: Saturday 7pm or by request

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

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
- + 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

Digging Deeper



Living Lent



Our lives are very busy—lots of noise and activity.

Take 10 minutes out.

Do nothing!
Say nothing!
JUST BE!

Realise you are surrounded by God's love.

TRÓCAIRE
Working for a Just World

Pick up a TRÓCAIRE BOX and contribute to this year's Lenten campaign.

Last year's amount was €6,810.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Tuesdays and Wednesdays 10am to 6pm.

PARISH COLLECTIONS W/E 14th/15th February

Envelope Collection: €1,647. Basket Collection: €856. Many thanks.

BUILDING OUR PARISH—WORKING TOGETHER

A LOT DONE. MORE TO DO!

Consider your responsibility to respond to your baptismal calling to contribute to the life of your parish. Don't leave it to others!

Ask not what your parish can do for you, but what you can do for your parish.

PLEASE COME ALONG TO THE PARISH CENTRE ON TOMORROW MONDAY AT 8PM TO BEGIN TO MOVE FORWARD

(The meeting will last no longer than one hour)

The groundwork has been done. We need to move forward on what has been achieved and build a parish where lay involvement is to the fore working together with its priest.

SAFEGUARDING SUNDAY

"Sunday, February 22, is Diocesan Safeguarding Sunday. It is the First Sunday of Lent and appropriately so, as we enter the Penitential Eason and seek forgiveness for past failings. In his address at the January Consistory Pope Leo XIV reminded all that "abuse itself causes a deep wound, which may last a lifetime; but often the scandal in the Church is that the door was closed and victims were not welcomed or accompanied with the closeness of authentic pastors....."

"Safeguarding Sunday is once again an opportunity to acknowledge and recognise the years of dedication and work by so many to ensure that Kildare and Leighlin Diocese is a safe place for children and all who work with them. It's an opportunity to thank all who today ensure safeguarding is so well embedded in our diocesan culture, Ailish Higgins, our Director of Safeguarding, currently on maternity leave, Michele Hughes, our Acting Designated Liaison Person, the Diocesan Safeguarding Representatives, our priests, our deacons and our people, particularly the many who volunteer at parish level, ensuring the life and vitality of their faith community....."

"The life of a parish is often defined by the active engagement of young people in that parish. Safeguarding Sunday is a reassurance to all that being involved in the parish is governed by best practices in Safeguarding....." Bishop Denis

Scoil Mhuire Lourdes—OPEN DAY

For all new Junior Infants & prospective families on 26th February 2 - 2.40pm.
Come visit the school, meet the teachers and get to know more about us.



PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORJE 2026

Wednesday 26th August to 2nd September 2026
Dublin to Medjugorje return. Half Board. Cost: €895
Spiritual Director: Fr. Ger Ahern. For more info contact:
Parish Office 059 9151277 or 087 629 8881

Captain Murphy Memorial Hall AGM

Meeting will be held on **Tuesday 10th March at 7.30pm** in the Parish Centre.
We encourage people to attend & help in the running of this great facility in our town.

Captain Murphy Memorial Hall

Times during the week available. The rates for the use of the hall are as follows:
Up to 6pm: €20 per hour. After 6pm: €25 per hr. Heating is an additional €20 per hr.
Bookings can be made by calling: (Nicola) 085 7150412.

Public Invited to Pride of Place Meeting in Tullow

The Tullow community is warmly invited to attend a public meeting ahead of this year's Co-Operation Ireland Pride of Place initiative. The meeting will take place at the Cairdeas Centre on Wednesday, March 5th at 6.30pm, with the support of [Carlow County Council](#). Organised as part of the all-island [Co-operation Ireland](#) Pride of Place programme, the meeting will bring together residents, community groups, volunteers and businesses to showcase what makes Tullow special.

All are encouraged to attend and play their part in celebrating community pride.

The Mill Wheel Reflexology Clinic

Now open on Barrack St, Tullow, offering personalised reflexology treatments designed to support your individual needs and wellbeing. ITEC qualified practitioner with professional registration and insurance. Open Monday to Saturday by appointment. **Contact Sharon Maxwell: 089 4006600 millwheelclinic@gmail.com**

HOLIDAY: Come and enjoy a great holiday on 27th April for 3 night and 4 days staying in the Hillgrove Hotel, Monaghan. Contact 086 3504351 for more information.

Join the Wolseley Singers & special guest Michael English

for their upcoming 20th Anniversary on
the 2nd April at 7.30 p.m. in the Visual Carlow.
Tickets available online or in person from Visual Box Office.

TULLOW ACTIVE RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION

A wonderful 4 night/5 day summer holiday to Cork. 24th May - 28th May 2026.
For bookings please phone Jim on 059 9152925 or 086 1200466.

Tullow Community School Parents Association AGM on Tuesday 24th February at 8pm in Tullow Community School. All parents and

CHAIR YOGA with Maria in Tullow Parish Centre Fridays at 10.30am €15 per session.

"Naomh Bríd Gaelteacht Anios"
Irish Conversation Group in Teach Bhríde every Tuesday at 11am.