

Our new Parish Website is up and running:

www.tulowparish.ie.

It's mobile compatible and is linked to our parish face book page: 'tulowparish.com'

COVID-19 Support Line for Older People

ALONE manage a national support line and additional support for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to the outbreak of COVID-19 (Coronavirus). Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week, 8 a.m. - 8 p.m. by calling 0818222024.

Carlow County Council are preparing the Draft Litter management Plan 2021-2023 and invite submissions from all of the community of Carlow. This plan will set out the objectives and strategies to combat litter in our County for the next 3 years. Submissions can be sent in writing to Jannette O'Brien, A/Environmental Awareness Officer, Environment Department, Carlow County Council, Athy Road Carlow or email to environment@carlowcoco.ie on or before 31st July, 2020.

Tulow Sustainable Energy Network

(SECN) aims to bring the Tulow community together to develop a sustainable energy system for the benefit of the whole community. Money can be saved through the use of energy efficient projects and to create local jobs through energy efficiency. Communities can save as much as 20% on their energy use, lower their fuel bills, and improve comfort levels. It is hoped that by combining grant aid from County Carlow Development Partnership and SEAI that community buildings could get a grant up to 95% of the cost of improving their energy efficiency and delivering cleaner, greener energy across Tulow. For further information please contact Cllr. Will Paton 087 6787115. Also check out Tulow SECN's Facebook Page.

Active Retirement: Chair Yoga is ongoing in Tulow at 11.30 a.m. in Teach Bhríde until end of July. There will be a holiday break in August but it will resume in early September. Open to non-members. Phone Ettie on 086 8608611. Bowling is also available in Murphy Memorial Hall on Mondays and Friday at 2 p.m. New members welcome and tuition is available. You are welcome to call in at 2 p.m. on either day.

Michael English Concert

Due to the H.S.E. guidelines the Michael English Concert that was due to be held on 19th August will not go ahead as planned on the 19th August. The concert will be held at a later date next year.

TULLOW, GRANGE AND ARDATTIN PARISH NEWSLETTER

26th July, 2020

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time.

Buried treasure

Today Jesus tells us a parable about a man who finds buried treasure in a field. The man goes away and sells all he has to buy that field, so that he can own the treasure. Burying valuables to keep them safe, is something we understand. There are many cases of buried treasure being found in our country - the Ardagh Chalice, the Tara Brooch - whose owners hoped to reclaim their treasure at a later time. But that didn't happen for them and the treasure was claimed by someone else.

There are a number of messages for us in the parable. Our faith - the Kingdom of God - is the buried treasure. The good news is that like buried treasure, our faith comes without a cost and is available to us to seek and find it. We should try not to leave it too late to take our religion firmly in our hands and devote time and energy to it.

Let us pray today that we understand the treasure we possess in having our Faith and how important it is for us to live it as fully as we can, and cherish it with all our heart.

PLEASE PRAY FOR Mick Dreelan, Newtown, Ardattin, Teresa Kelly, Tankardstown & Kay Reed (nee Johnson) Michigan, U.S.A. and late of Bridge Street who died recently.

ANNIVERSARY MASSES FOR SATURDAY 25TH JULY, 7.30 P.M.

Willie & Frances Birch, Parkbridge, Clonegal. Tomás McDonald, St. Patrick's Park. Annie & Gerald McDonald, Rathvarrin. Bridie & Peter Bolger, Bendenstown. Patrick & Annie Brennan, 3 Castledermot Road and grandson Sean Walsh. Jack & Teresa Rooney, Bishop Street. John Ward, Knocklow and parents Masie & Charlie Ward.

MONTHS MIND MASS for Muriel Flynn, Grangeford today Sunday 26th July at 11.00 a.m. in Tullow Church.

ANNIVERSARY MASS for Brian Farrell, Killerig and formerly of Newry today Sunday 26th July at 9.00 a.m. in Grange church.

ANNIVERSARY MASS for John Morrissey, Grangeford on Monday 27th July at 7.30 p.m. in Grange Church.

ANNIVERSARY MASS for Myles, Catherine and John Fitzpatrick, Rathlyon next Friday night 31st July at 7.30 p.m. in Tullow Church.

ANNIVERSARY MASSES FOR SATURDAY 1ST AUGUST, 7.30 P.M.

FIRST ANNIVERSARY MASS for Margaret Moody, Kineagh next Saturday night 1st August at 7.30 p.m. in Tullow Church.

Las O'Toole, Castledermot Road. Mary Hogan, Pairc Mhuire. Laurence Byrne, Killabeg.

Restricted numbers attending Mass

If you are free to do so, you are encouraged to attend one of our week day Masses in Tullow. Whatever mass you attend fulfils your Sunday obligation. This will allow others who are not free during the week, to attend a week-end Mass. Thank you.

Recommended H.S.E. Guidelines for all those attending Mass.

- ◆ Please sanitise your hands when entering and leaving church.
- ◆ The use of face masks by those attending Church is strongly recommended.
- ◆ Maintain Social distance between yourself and other people.
- ◆ Do not shake hands or make close contact where possible.
- ◆ Stay home and self-isolated if you have a fever, a new persistent cough, shortness of breath, a loss or change in your sense of smell. Phone your G.P.

Email: tullowparish@outlook.com

Ardattin Cemetery Mass

Will be held today Sunday 26th July at 12 noon.

PLEASE NOTE: There will be NO 10 a.m. Mass.

CONFIRMATION 2020

Ceremonies are arranged for the following dates:

Friday 14th August
Saturday 15th August
Friday 21st August
Saturday 22nd August

- ◆ All ceremonies will take place in Tullow at 2 p.m.
- ◆ All candidates who have registered for a particular date will soon be contacted inviting them to a rehearsal.

DTA Cig Annual General Meeting

will take place on Tuesday 11th August 2020 in Teach Bride, Tullow commencing at 7.30 p.m. New members welcome. Social distancing will be enforced.

Season of Creation

In this yearlong celebration of Laudato Si, parishes are especially asked to mark the Season of Creation. This begins on September 1st and concludes on October 4th. More details later.

Tullow R.F.C. A.G.M.

will be held on Wednesday 12th August at 8 p.m. in Murphy Memorial Hall. New members very welcome.

Tullow Parish Community Centre. Phone: 059 9151277.