

PLEASE PRAY FOR Aidan Byrne, Tintean Phadraig and Betty Cowman (nee Butler) Mill Road, Bunclody and formerly of Newstown, Ardattin who died during the week.

ANNIVERSARY MASSES FOR SATURDAY 7TH NOVEMBER, 7.30 P.M.

MONTHS MIND MASS: Una Donnelly, Roscatt on Saturday 7th November at 7.30 p.m.

ANNIVERSARIES: Elizabeth Gahan, Crosslow. The Butler family & Teresa & Elizabeth Nolan, Ballinastraw, Ardattin. Martin & Brigid Earle, Dublin Road. James & Mary Ann Farrell & deceased family members. Margaret Sheppard, Rathlyon. Jack Kelleher, Tullow & Leixlip. John (Johnny) Smith, Rathglass. Mary Dempsey, Hillbrook Estate. Margaret & Joseph Nicholson and daughters Rita and Kathleen, New Chapel Lane. Paddy & Margaret Murphy & deceased family members, The Green.

ANNIVERSARY MASS: Patrick & Margaret Butler, Newstown and Elizabeth & Patrick Doyle, Castlemore today Sunday 8th November at 11.00 a.m.

ANNIVERSARY MASS: Tom Cole, Ballykilduff today Sunday 8th November at 11.00 a.m. and also for his son John Cole, Liscoleman who died during the week.

ANNIVERSARY MASS: Pat Mulhall, Pairc Mhuire on Saturday 14th November at 7.30 p.m.

FIRST ANNIVERSARY MASS: Sean Darcy, Steepleview Crescent next Sunday 15th November at 11.00 a.m.

Due to Level 5 Restrictions Tullow Parish Community Centre is closed to the public. For all queries you can phone 059 9151277 or email tullowparish@outlook.com and we will get back to you as soon as possible.

PROGRAMME FOR THE WEEK

Sunday 8th November: 11.00 a.m.

Monday: 9.30 a.m.

Tuesday: 9.30 a.m.

Wednesday and Thursday: 9.30 a.m.

Friday: 7.30 p.m.

Saturday: 7.30 p.m.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament every Tuesday and Wednesday, 10 a.m. - 8 p.m.

NEW EMAIL ADDRESS for Tullow Parish is tullowparish@outlook.com

**TULLOW, GRANGE AND
ARDATTIN PARISH NEWSLETTER**

8th November, 2020. Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time.

Members of the wedding

At the time of Jesus, a bride was first “betrothed” to her husband but then continued for a time to live with her family. Some months later at an agreed time, the groom would meet with his bride at her home and lead her family and the bridal party to the wedding feast that would celebrate the start of their new life together. This is the background to the parable we hear in today’s Gospel. In the parable’s symbolism, Jesus is the Bridegroom. The virgins of the bridal party represent us, the members of the Church.

We were “betrothed” to Jesus in Baptism and are called to lives of holiness and devotion until He comes again to lead us to the heavenly wedding feast at the end of time. Jesus is coming again, though we know not the day nor the hour.

We need to keep vigil throughout the dark night of this time in which our Bridegroom seems long delayed. We need to keep our souls’ lamps filled with the oil of perseverance and desire for God—virtues that are extolled in today’s First Reading and Psalm.

Let us pray that we continue to seek Him in love, meditating upon His kindness, calling upon His name, striving to be ever more worthy of Him, to be found without spot or blemish when He comes.

Vincent Crowley – based on the writings of Scott Hahn.