MASSES FOR SATURDAY 22ND MAY, 7.30 P.M.

Nixie Jackman, Barrack Street. Siobhan O'Sullivan, The Slaney Hotel. James Jackman, London & late of Barrack St. Mary Brophy, Joe Gahan & deceased family members, Abbey Street. Brigid Byrne (nee Cosgrove), Benekerry and formerly of Templeowen, Tullow. Dan & Mary Byrne, Rathvilly.

MASSES FOR SUNDAY 23RD MAY, 11.00 A.M.

Elizabeth & William Ryan, Butlersgrange. Mary & Andy Dreelan, Craans, Ardattin.

MASS FOR FRIDAY 28TH MAY, 7.30 P.M.

Dan Bolger, Templeowen.

MASSES FOR SATURDAY 29TH MAY, 7.30 P.M.

William & Brigid Shannon, Grangeford. Brigid & Liam O'Leary, Ballymurphy and Courtlawns. John & Mary Whelan, Elmgrove, Tullow. John & Margaret Shiel, Kill, Tullow.

THANK YOU: Many thanks to all who continue to use their weekly envelopes.

Tullow Active Retirement: by popular request, we have arranged a 5 night (6 day) holiday in the Westport Woods Hotel which includes bed, breakfast and dinner daily at an inclusive price of €250 per person sharing with single supplement of 15 per night. This charge to be paid directly to the hotel on departure as before. The cost of the coach/es will depend on the covid regulations by the government at the time of departure. The holiday is booked for Sunday 26th September and returning on the 1st October. To avoid disappointment, ensure you reserve your place on this holiday as early as possible by phoning Jim or Ettie on 9152925 or 086 1200466.

THANK YOU: DAFFODIL DAY 2021

Marie Healy and Mary Healy (Tullow Healy Daffodil Day Group) would like to thank the people and businesses of Tullow and surrounding areas and further afield for their generous support of Daffodil Day 2021. A total of €8,653 was raised locally and on-line. Due to covid restrictions the group volunteers could not be on the streets selling fresh daffodils and merchandise. For this reason the amount raised was tremendous and we are very grateful for this support. The Irish Cancer Society, Eist Cancer Support Centre, Carlow and The Carlow Kilkenny Homecare Team benefitted from your generosity.

In these difficult times when not everybody can come to Sunday Mass, some people might like to set up a Direct Debit as a way of making a contribution to the Church. The Parish IBAN number is as follows:

IBAN: IE79BOFI90668927164355. BIC: BOFIIE2D. Many thanks.

TULLOW, GRANGE & ARDATTIN PARISH NEWSI ETTER

23rd May, 2021. Pentecost Sunday.

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Mass Times: Tullow: Monday Thursday: 9.30 a.m. Friday & Satur-

day: 7.30 p.m. Sunday 11.00 a.m.

Grange: Sunday at 9.00 a.m. **Ardattin:** Sunday at 10.00 a.m.

PENTECOST

Today marks the end of the Easter Season but it ends with the life-giving outpouring of the Holy Spirit on the whole world, the church and on each of us personally. Before his Ascension, Jesus promised his followers that he would send them a Helper, an Advocate, namely the Holy Spirit to encourage and strengthen them. This is not something that just happened in the past a long time ago. This dramatic and powerful outpouring of Christ's new life is happening today, here and now. Today, you and I are personally filled with and anointed with the life-giving and encouraging Holy Spirit.

There is nothing mild, gentle or polite about the Holy Spirit or Pentecost; it is a wild and radical experience that both encourages and challenges us. Saint Oscar Romero who was murdered while bishop of El Salvador in 1980 said, 'The Spirit makes all things new, we are the ones who grow old and want to keep everything to our aged way of doing things; the Spirit is never old, the Spirit is always young'. (17 December 1978)

Today, may each of us be open to experiencing the transforming power of the Holy Spirit in our daily lives. May we be renewed and refreshed with the power of the risen Lord so that in the words of Pope Francis 'we may, go out again and again without hesitation, without fear to proclaim the joy of the good news which is for all people'.

Br Michael Moore OMI