

Covid - 19 Support Line for Older People

ALONE manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to the outbreak of COVID-19. 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.

Cycle Against Suicide is inviting community clubs and associations to complete our free 'Community Buddy' Programme and be trained to provide 'Buddy' support in their community.

Our aim is to train and deploy 'Community Buddies' across Ireland. We invite local clubs and associations that have personnel who are already Garda vetted to nominate themselves to complete our 'Community Buddy' training programme. This training, delivered over 2 days or 4 evenings, is free of charge for your club/association and will equip you to provide much-needed support for those in your community who may be struggling with mental health distress. To sign up please visit: <https://www.cycleagainstsucide.com/community-buddy-club/>

Carlow Regional Youth Service

Summer Camps at Tullow Youth Project 2021.

Please contact any of the following for details:

Cathy: 085 8338732. Email cathy@carlowys.ie

Natalie: 086 7806406. Email natalie@carlowys.ie

Emma: 086 7806405. Email emma@carlowys.ie

Alternatively, you can contact the office on 059 9152297

ARDATTIN FUNDRAISERS are holding a Tractor Run on Sunday 18th June starting and finishing in Ardattin with all proceeds to Carlow Kilkenny Home Care Team. Registration is from 12 p.m. in the Carpark and starting at 2 p.m.

Manager Required for St. John's Caring Centre (for Older People), Hacketstown, Co. Carlow. 19.5 hours (3 days) per week. Please send CV to: The Chairman, St. John's Caring Centre, Main Street, Hacketstown, Co. Carlow. Email: stjohnscaringcentre@gmail.com. Closing date for receipt of applications is Thursday July 23rd, 2021

Bingo in Ballyconnell on Sunday 4th July at 7.30 p.m. in the Church Car Park. €2,500 in prize money.

TULLOW, GRANGE & ARDATTIN PARISH NEWSLETTER

4th July, 2021.

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time.

PARISH CONTACTS

Parish Office: 059 9151277.

Email: tullowparish@outlook.com

Fr. Brian Maguire: 059 9181253.

Mass Times: Tullow:

Monday & Wednesday: 9.30 am.

Friday & Saturday: 7.30 p.m.

Sunday 11.00 a.m.

Grange: Sunday at 9.00 a.m.

Ardattin: Sunday at 10.00 a.m.

The everyday Prophets

Our readings today are about prophets. In the first reading the prophet Ezekiel is spoken to by God. "I am sending you to the Israelites, to the rebels who have turned against me". God is not expecting success for Ezekiel – "whether they listen to you or not, this set of rebels shall know there is a prophet among you". Next in the Gospel, Jesus, in his role as a Prophet, returns to his home town, with little success. "He could work no miracle there" because of the lack of faith among the people – "He was amazed at their lack of faith".

We sometimes think of a prophet as a predictor of the future. However Saint Paul tells us in our second reading about "a thorn in the flesh", someone or something which stops him "getting too proud". "A thorn in the flesh" is a good definition of a prophet – someone who stops us getting too proud.

Every baptized Catholic is also a prophet. At each Baptism ceremony we are anointed as Priest, Prophet and King. We have a role to play as prophets. In seeking to live as good Christians, we can be an example to those around us who could be "getting too proud".

But the message to all prophets from our Gospel reading today is clear. We will struggle in a world focused on short term goals and material gain. "A prophet is only despised in his own country, among his own relations and in his own house." Let us pray for the resilience to keep trying to live as good Christians and good prophets.

Vincent Crowley Deacon

R.I.P. Gretta Dowling, 79 Pairc Mhuire, Tullow.

ANNIVERSARY MASSES FOR SATURDAY 3RD JULY, 7.30 P.M.

Tom O'Neill, 2 Hillbrook Estate. Robert & Mary Healy and their daughter Jill, Rathanure. Ann O'Neill, 2 Station Road. Peg O'Toole, Rathbawn, her sister Una Minchin and their parents Patrick & Brigid Cannon. Michael & Daphne Raftery, Bellwood Drive. Willie & Winnie McHutcheon and sons, Templeowen.

ANNIVERSARY MASS FOR SUNDAY 4TH JULY, 11.00 A.M.

Eileen Lonergan, John Street.

MASSES FOR SATURDAY 10TH JULY, 7.30 P.M.

FIRST ANNIVERSARY: Patrick Lawlor and deceased members of The Lawlor family, 47 Wolseley Park.

Muriel Rossiter, Bishop Street. William & Mary Gahan, Ardoyne. Margaret Matthews, Thomas Traynor Road.

MASSES FOR SUNDAY 11TH JULY, 11.00 A.M.

FIRST ANNIVERSARY: Billy Edwards, St. Austins Terrace.

Bill & Teresa Edwards, St. Austins Terrace.

CONFIRMATION: As a result of revised government health regulations, the planned Baptisms and Confirmation Ceremonies cannot go ahead. Because of the Delta variant we are unable to plan for the First Communion Ceremonies. We are sorry for the inconvenience but the decision is outside of our control.

Bishop Denis is inviting expressions of interest in learning more about formation for the **Permanent Diaconate in the Diocese of Kildare & Leighlin**. It is open to men between 30 & 60 who have a genuine sense of vocation to this calling. Deacons are self supporting and continue in their family lives and employment. A new programme will commence in October 2021. Please contact Rev. John McEvoy before July 31st for more information on **059 9161114** or email permanentdiaconate@kandle.ie

Email: tullowparish@outlook.com

**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 compulsory.
- ◆ Maintain Social distance between yourself and other people.
- ◆ Do not shake hands or make close contact where possible.
- ◆ Stay at 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.

LOUGH DERG 2021

Registration is now open to "Do Lough Derg from wherever you are" from 3rd to 5th July. The Prior, Fr. La Flynn, will do the Three-Day Pilgrimage on the Island during these days. To offer a live link by webcam in support of those who will choose to do the pilgrimage wherever they are, some of the Lough Derg Staff will do the pilgrimage in St. Mary's Church in Pettigo. To register or for further information please email info@loughderg.org, phone 00353 71 9861518.

PETER'S PENCE

Please use your special envelope for "Peter's Pence".
Thank you.

**St. Anne's College of Further Education
Tullow Community School, Tullow.**

Enrolments are now taking place for the following QQI Level 5 course which will commence in September, 2021.

***One Year Advanced Business
and Information Technology Training Course***

- ◆ Back to Education Grants, Maintenance Grants, FAS Funding and VTOS Grants available for those who are eligible.
- ◆ St. Anne's College of Further Education are pleased to offer the above QQI Level 5 Course to adults who need to return to education.
- ◆ Application forms and further information are available from the school office. **Phone 059 9151473.**

Tullow Parish Community Centre. Phone: 059 9151277.