Scoil Mhuire Lourdes To download a form visit www.smltullow.ie or email infor@smltullow.ie. Forms can also be collected from the school.

Tullow Active Retirement Association have commenced activities.

Bowls on Mondays and Fridays at 2 p.m. in Murphy Memorial Hall. **Chair Yoga** on Thursdays at 2 p.m. in The Convent.

Yoga commencing on Friday 4th February at 10 a.m. in The Convent.

Summer Holiday to Quality Hotel, Redbarn Beach, Youghal from Sunday 29th May to Friday 3rd June. Cost is \notin 360 per person sharing with a single supplement of \notin 10 per night. Price includes dinner, bed and breakfast, entertainment, trips, tea and scones on arrival and return coach to and from Church Carpark.

Further information from Ettie on 086 8608611 or 086 1200466.

MABS

South Leinster Money Advice & budgeting Service. Carlow MABS, 72D Tullow Street, Carlow. Phone 0818072070. Free, independent and confidential Money Management and Advice Service. Assisting people in dealing with their existing debts, Mortgage arrears and helping them to begin to manage their own resources. MABS offer free Debt Relief Advice under Personal Insolvency options. Phone 0818072070.

Line Dancing, Waltz,, Jive, Quick Step and Foxtrot class every Tuesday night in Murphy Memorial hall from 8.15 p.m. - 9.30 p.m.

"Small Town Ireland Tullow" from the 1940's by Eugene O'Connor is available at the Tullow Museum and at "Made in Carlow" on Tullow Street. Price: €8.50.

CHILDMINDER REQUIRED in the Tullow area to mind 3 children in childminders home. Own transport required. Part-time, Tuesday to Thursday from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. starting in March. Phone 087 7440141.

Household outside Tullow looking for a cleaner for half a day a week on a permanent basis. Phone Liz on 086 8506926.

St. Brigid's National School, Grange is now accepting applications for the 2022/2023 school year. Applications for Admission Forms are available from the school by emailing msmulhall@stbrigidsgrange.ie mailto:msmuhall@stbrigidsgrange.ie or writing to St. Brigid's NS, Grange, Tullow,

mailto:msmuhall@stbrigidsgrange.ie or writing to St. Brigid's NS, Grange, Tullow, Co. Carlow R93FX22 or by phoning 059 9163881.

TULLOW, GRANGE & ARDATTIN PARISH NEWSLETTER

13th February, 2022 Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time. PARISH CONTACTS Parish Office: 059 9151277. Email: tullowparish@outlook.com Fr. Brian Maguire: 059 9181253. Mass Times: Tullow: Monday: 9.30 a.m. Wednesday: 9.30 a.m. 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.

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Luke 6:17, 20-26 Blessed are you

What's so great about being poor, hungry, or sad? On the surface, these Beatitudes of Jesus seem strange. 'Blessed are you who are poor': surely, it's better to be well off and well fed, and to enjoy good times – or at the very least, to be comfortable and content? Are these not the things we strive for in life? Jesus, however, is not interested in comfort or in maintaining the status quo. The Jesus of Luke's Gospel is a revolutionary. He has come to turn the social order on its head: the last become the first and the least becomes the greatest. His concern is always for the poor and marginalised. Jesus' vision is of a world where the unjust structures that cause poverty, hunger and oppression are swept away.

Sadly, in our world inequalities are more pronounced than ever. Jesus challenges us to look around us. When he says the Kingdom of God belongs to the poor, Jesus is not only talking about the afterlife. He is also asking us if our communities, here and now, belong to the poor. Is everyone welcomed as a full member? Do we meet everyone's needs, or do some people go hungry, either physically or spiritually? We are called to model our communities on Jesus' vision of our world.

Pope Francis has offered six 'new Beatitudes' for the modern era. Like the teachings of Jesus, they remind us of the importance of recognising the dignity of all and living in solidarity with those on the margins. *Here they are: "Blessed are those* who remain faithful while enduring evils inflicted on them by others, and forgive them from the heart.

Blessed are those who look into the eyes of the abandoned and marginalised, and show them their closeness.

Blessed are those who see God in every person, and strive to make others also discover him.

Blessed are those who protect and care for our common home.

Blessed are those who renounce their own comfort in order to help others. **Blessed are those** who pray and work for full communion between Christians"

Pope Francis

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MASSES FOR SATURDAY 12TH FEBRUARY, 7.30 P.M.

Anthony Gahan, Crosslow. Jane Keating, Castledermot Road. Frank Brady, Old Chapel Lane. Thomas Thompson, Knocknatubrid. Mary O'Neill, Ballintemple. Jim Roche and daughter Lisa, 49 Hillbrook Estate. James, Elizabeth & Carmel Cullen, Pairc Mhuire. Tom & Olive Hickey, Courtlawns. Mike Byrne, Wales and Ouragh. Joseph Norris, 8 Courtview. Paddy Flynn, Tinryland, Carlow. Sadie Brennan (nee Hopkins), baby Jason and Paddy Brennan, 3 Hawkins Lane.

ANNIVERSARY MASSES FOR FRIDAY 18TH FEBRUARY, 7.30 P.M.

Mary Carroll, Hawkins Drive. Thomas Byrne, daughter Jenny and sons Tommy and Michael, Ballymurphy.

MASSES FOR SUNDAY 20TH FEBRUARY, 11.00 A.M.

FIRST ANNIVERSARY: Siobhan Mernagh, 6 Upper Station Road. ANNIVERSARIES: Elizabeth and Patrick Deegan and deceased family members, Rathglass.

MASSES FOR THE COMING WEEK

Monday: 9.30 a.m. Tuesday: 9.30 a.m. (Service of The Word and Holy Communion). Wednesday: 9.30 a.m. Thursday: 9.30 a.m. (Service of The Word and Holy Communion). Friday: 7.30 p.m. Saturday: 7.30 p.m. Sunday: 11.00 a.m. 9.00 a.m. Sunday morning. Grange: Ardattin: 10 a.m. Sunday morning.

Parish Collections

Envelope Collection: \notin 1,427. **Basket Collection**: \notin 571. Many thanks.

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PHOTO'S: The Church of St. John the Baptist in Grange celebrates its bicentenary this year. We are looking for old photos - First Communions, Confirmations, Weddings which people may have at home. We are asking that you leave them at the Parish Office and we will return them in a few weeks time.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament takes place in Tullow Church every Tuesday and Wednesday. We are always looking for new people to join us. All welcome.

Tullow St. Patrick's Day Parade is back this year on the 17th March, 2022 at 2 p.m. Beginning at the top of the town (Oakley Wood).

If any local groups or clubs would like to enter a float for the parade, please email stparticksdaytullow@gamil.com or check out the Develop Association Tullow Facebook page as a small grant may be available. Closing date for applications is the 28th February, 2022.

Next meeting takes place on 16th February at 7.30 p.m. in Teach Bhride. All are welcome

Éist Carlow Support Centre is now open at 46 Idrone Park, Tullow Road, Carlow. The Centre provides practical and emotional support to people with a cancer diagnosis, their family and friends. For further information our contact details are: Mobile: 085 8661499 or 059 9139684.

Email: reception@eistcarlowcancersupport.ie.

Environmental and Tidy Town Towns Grant Schemes 2022.

Applications are invited from County Carlow Tidy Towns/Development Associations and Residents Associations who are engaged in or intending to engage in Community environmental works or anti-litter initiatives in their localities.

Application forms are available on www.carlowcoco.ie or by contacting Ann Scully, Community Section, Carlow Council, County Buildings, Athy Road, Carlow on 059 9136204 or ascully@carlowcoco.ie.

Closing date for receipt of application forms is Friday 18th February at 4 p.m.

CALLING ALL MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF TULLOW R.F.C.

2022 is the 50th Anniversary of the reforming of Tullow RFC. We will also officially open our new brilliant facilities including the 3G pitch, 2 grass pitches, carpark and club entrance. We are putting together a souvenir booklet to mark the occasion and would love to hear from you. If you have any old photographs, newspaper cuttings etc. which could be of interest please contact Club Secretary Mary O'Neill on 087 6237758. We will keep you informed regarding the official opening.

Tullow Parish Community Centre. Phone: 059 9151277.