

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.

PILATES classes every week in Murphy Memorial Hall. Monday and Thursday evenings at 7.30 p.m. And Wednesday and Friday mornings at 10 a.m. Suitable for all levels. Contact John on 087 7956977.

Tullow RFC Dinner Dance will be held in Ballykealy House Hotel on Friday 6th May. Tickets available from Robin Johnson on 086 8134995 and Mary O'Neill (087 6237758).

Tullow RFC AGM will be held on Thursday 12th May at 8 p.m. at the Blackgates.

TULLOW ACTIVE RETIREMENT

We are sorry to inform you that our lovely holiday to Youghal has been cancelled. We have been notified that the hotel has been taken over. We will look into further venues for our Autumn break.

The A.G.M. of Tullow Community Group CLG

will take place in Tullow Parish Centre on Tuesday 10th May, 2022 commencing at 7 p.m.

For any queries contact Liz or Jeni on 059 9180977.

Ann's Footcare Clinic (Fully vaccinated and boosted). All foot care needs. Home visits available. Phone 086 3691876.

Eist Cancer Support Centre

The Eist Cancer Support Centre has moved to 46 Idrone Park, Carlow. Eist continues to provide emotional support and practical help to all affected by cancer. To make an appointment or for more information please contact us on 085 8661499 or info@eistcarlowcancersupport.ie

Tullow Library is now open: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 9.30 to 5 p.m. and Wednesday from 11.30 a.m. to 7.30 p.m. New members are most welcome.

TULLOW, GRANGE & ARDATTIN PARISH NEWSLETTER

1st May, 2022.

3rd Sunday of Easter.

PARISH CONTACTS

Parish Office: 059 9151277.

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Fr. Brian Maguire: 059 9181253.

Mass Times: Tullow:

Monday: 11.00 a.m.

Wednesday: 9.30 a.m.

Friday 9.30 a.m.

Saturday: 7.30 p.m.

Sunday 11.00 a.m.

Tuesday & Thursday, 9.30 a.m.: Service of the Word & Holy Communion.

Grange: Sunday at 9.00 a.m.

Ardattin: Sunday at 10.00 a.m.

Forgiveness . An invitation to a meal. Feed My lambs and sheep .

Following on from Mercy Sunday last week, forgiveness continues as one of the themes in our Gospel reading today.

Forgiveness: The Apostles have returned to being fishermen. Have they given up on Jesus I wonder?. However Jesus returns and “showed himself again to the disciples” . He calls them his “friends”. All the Disciples of Jesus had abandoned him as soon as he was arrested. Simon Peter denied even knowing Jesus. Yet Jesus still calls the Disciples his “friends”. He has forgiven them. This is very reassuring for us. We sometimes abandon Jesus too. He never abandons us . He is waiting for us and welcomes us back as “friends”.

An invitation to a meal: Jesus then does something hugely symbolic. He invites his Disciples to share a meal with Him. “Come and have breakfast” Jesus says. The disciples join with Him. People grow closer to those they regularly eat with. Jesus invites us to join him in a meal and every mass which is the Last Supper. Like the Disciples we can grow closer to Jesus through our willingness to join with Him at His table.

Feed My lambs and sheep: The Lamb is a symbol for the weakest and most vulnerable in society . Jesus says to the Apostles “Feed my Lambs” . The Disciples of Jesus are asked to support and nurture the Broken, sick and lonely people among us. Jesus also says “Feed my sheep.” Sheep are strong and tough animals. Unfortunately sheep are easily led astray. All around us there is evidence of people being led away from God. The Disciples of Jesus are asked to lead and feed their community spiritually by being good Christians - being charitable, decent , living good lives and worshipping God .

Finally: Our society measures the success of everything based on “the numbers”. A song, or a book is a success if the “numbers are good”. On this basis the Catholic Church is seen as failing because of the decline in numbers worshipping. It is important to see that in our Gospel today Jesus asks us to Feed his Lambs and Feed his sheep. He never said anything about counting them.

Our Prayer: This morning let us acknowledge the Divine Mercy of Jesus, accept His invitation to join Him at his table and focus on feeding his Lambs and sheep - not counting them.

Vincent Crowley Deacon.

R.I.P: James (Jimmy) Fitzpatrick, Rathlyon and Dolores McDonnell, Ballybit who died during the week.

ANNIVERSARY MASSES FOR SATURDAY 30TH APRIL, 7.30 P.M.

MONTHS MIND: Philip (Stan) O’Gorman, St. Austins Terrace.

ANNIVERSARIES: James Dundon, Hillbrook Estate. Thomas Hennessy, Paulville. Loretta Howard, Knocknatubrid. Anne Howard, 38 Hillbrook Estate. Donal & Madge McMahan, 27 Pairc Mhuire. Sheila Kelly, Castledermot Road. Darragh Keogh, 34 Hillbrook Estate. Kathleen Roche, The Course. Edward & Jane O’Neill & son Jim, St. Olivers Villas. Larry O’Brien, Catledermot Road. Bridie Ralph & family, Rathlyon. Myles & Catherine Fitzpatrick, Rathlyon. Charles & Ann McDermott & Michael Lennon, Bridge Street. Larry O’Brien, Castledermot Road. The Maxwell family, Tullowland and the Wheeler family, Crosslow. John & Elizabeth Maxwell, 32 Pairc Mhuire. Paddy & Margaret Murphy, The Green.

MASSES FOR SUNDAY 1ST MAY, 11.00 A.M.

Babs and Tom Orbinski, 4 Bellwood Drive.

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

May Roche, Pairc Mhuire. Brian Golding, Tullowland. Frank & Catherine Mallin, late of Templeowen and daughter Kay Currid. Joe Kelly, Tankardstown. Nellie & Matthew Quinn, Ardoyne. Darren Doran, Crosslow.

MASSES FOR SUNDAY 8TH MAY, 11.00 A.M.

FIRST ANNIVERSARY: Ursula O’Farrell, Barrack Street.

ANNIVERSARIES: Michael Healy, Crosslow. Helen Dunne, Crosslow.

Masses for the coming week:

Tullow: Monday: 11.00 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: 9.30 a.m. (Please note change of time).
Saturday: 7.30 p.m.
Sunday: 11.00 a.m.
Grange: Sunday: 9 a.m.
Ardattin: Sunday: 10 a.m.

Parish Collections

Envelope Collection: €941. **Basket Collection:** €507. Many thanks.

Parish of Tullow, Grange and Ardattin: Registered Charity Number: 20015848

Email: tullowparish@outlook.com

Save the Date! Sunday June 19th at 3 p.m.

Grange Church will celebrate its Bicentenary on Sunday, June 19th at 3 p.m.
ALL WELCOME.

EASTER COLLECTION FOR CLERGY FUND

Kindly use the envelope in your box of envelopes. Special envelopes will be available at the back of the Church for those who haven’t a box of envelopes. Many thanks.

PRAYER FOR PEACE

Loving God, we pray for the people of Ukraine, for all those suffering or afraid, that you will be close to them and protect them. We pray for world leaders, for compassion, strength and wisdom to guide their choices. We pray for the world that in this moment of crisis, we may reach out in solidarity to our brothers and sisters in need. May we walk in your ways so that people and justice become a reality for the people of Ukraine and for all the world. Amen

**Graigucullen/Killeshin Solemn Novena
to Our Lady of Perpetual Help**

Theme: YOU ARE NOT ALONE in St. Clare’s Church, Graigucullen. 9 Monday nights.
25th April - 20th June, 2022. Time: 7.30 p.m. (Rosary at 7.10 p.m.).
2nd May: Jessica Wade: Tiglin Evening Service Manager & Outreach Worker.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine

takes place on Sunday 5th June.

Bishop Denis Nulty invites you to join with him and parishioners from across the diocese at the Shrine of Our Lady of Knock.
Ceremonies begin at 2.30 p.m. with the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick followed by Mass at 3 p.m. and concluding with the Procession of the Blessed Sacrament.

A bus will leave Tullow Church Carpark on the above date.
Anyone interested please give your name to Brendan Dowling on 087 6537753, Ann O’Brien or Josie Duffy.

Tullow Parish Community Centre. Phone: 059 9151277.