

### **Forward Steps Resource Centre, Tullow.**

**Peer Support Group:** Forward Steps will run a Peer Support Group for parents or carers of children or adults with special needs in September during the day (time and date to be confirmed). Come along for a cuppa and a chat. We will also run some activities of interest for parents. Contact Pamela (Family Support Worker) on 083 2052462.

Forward Steps are looking to see what courses people would like us to run at the Centre from September, 2022. Give Pamela a call on 083 2052462.

In August we will be running a **Community Art Project**, using rocks to promote the message of hope and community. The art project will be displayed in the garden at Forward Steps.

**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 Active Retirement**

New membership is closed for the summer break.

Activities ongoing are Bowls in The Murphy Memorial Hall on Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 2 p.m. Aqua aerobics in Mt. Wolseley Leisure Centre at 11.45 a.m. on Monday and Wednesday morning. The South East Cup and Shield will take place in the Basketball Areana at Old Leighlin from 23rd to 25th August with 32 teams taking part with small bowls. Members of Tullow Active Retirement Association are looking forward to welcoming you back again.

### **TULLOW LIBRARY**

The Summer Stars Reading Adventure is running until 31st August & we would like to invite all children up to the age of 12 to register for Tullow. There will be weekly prize draws and a medal at the end for all participants. Check us out on social media or call Elena on 059 9136299.

**Nanny Required:** for July & August (excellent references required). Please forward to: kevinbrennan@icloud.com

### **JJ Connolly Memorial and Family Fun Day**

Will take place on Sunday 24th July in Parkville AFC grounds from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Free entry. Proceeds on the day will go to: Cairdeas Centre, Parkville AFC and the Irish Kidney Association. Looking forward to seeing you all there.

## **TULLOW, GRANGE & ARDATTIN PARISH NEWSLETTER**

**17th July, 2022.**

**16th 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 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.

### **The Story of Martha and Mary and their relationship with Jesus.**

While Jesus was visiting Martha's house, she "was distracted with all the serving" while her sister Mary "sat down at the Lord's feet and listened to him speaking." Martha prompted Jesus: "Please tell her to help me." Jesus replied 'you worry and fret about so many things, and yet few are needed, indeed only one. It is Mary who has chosen the better part.

Martha is like us. Her life is busy. We also "worry and fret about so many things." Martha loves Jesus but she is absorbed by life. Mary however has Jesus as her full focus. She listens to him. She is invested in Jesus and her relationship with him.

### **Our relationship with God.**

From the dawn of Christianity with structures which nurture and develop our relationship with Jesus at our Mass, the sacraments and prayer. All three areas attract criticism at this time; they are seen as boring.

### **Keeping people from getting bored.**

Researchers say that in order to retain an audience for any TV programme, advert, or youtube video, the maker must engage the audience at an emotional level. They must provide joy, sorrow, fear, anger, shock or surprise. Without these ingredients the audience becomes bored.

This may be why Mass, the sacraments and prayer have been struggling to appeal to us. They are rarely engaging on a purely emotional level. But then, they are not meant to be. They are simply a way for us to have a relationship with God. A way for us to listen to him.

### **Our relationship.**

Do we put in the effort? Did we research the readings at Mass. Did we google the background to the meaning of the sacraments? Do we persist in our prayers? Can we say that we sat down at the Lord's feet and listened to him speaking, as Mary did?

### **Our prayer this morning.**

Lord help us to put in the effort needed to hear you when you speak through the structures you instituted.

**Vincent Crowley  
Deacon**

**R.I.P.** Mary Byrne, 9 Hillbrook Estate and Marie Healy, John Street who died recently.

**MASSES FOR SATURDAY 16TH JULY, 7.30 P.M.**

Mary Murphy nee Doran, Rathbawn and Birmingham. Máire Jackman, Crosslow. Patrick Lawlor, Mt. Wolseley. Willie Birch, Parkbridge, Clonegal. The Deceased family members of the 5 Cottages, Tullowland. Muriel Rossiter, Bishop Street. The deceased members of The Kearney family, Tullowland. Denis Kelly, Munny, Coolkenno. Richard & Mary Elliott, Clonmore, sons Richard, Bill & Jimmy and deceased family members.

**MONTHS MIND:** Jim Conway, Copenagh today Sunday 17th July at 9 a.m. in Grange Church.

**MONTHS MIND:** Noel Gorman, Ardattin today Sunday 17th July at 10 a.m. in Ardattin Church.

**MASSES FOR SUNDAY 17TH JULY, 11.00 A.M.**

Patricia Abbey, 30 Courtview. Thomas & Ellen O'Reilly, Castlemore, Rathoe. Joseph & Annie Coady, Dublin Road.

**MASSES FOR SATURDAY 23RD JULY, 7.30 P.M.**

Margaret Moody, Kinneagh. Martin & Brid Ruschitzko, St. Aubins, Shillelagh Rd. John Nolan, Mt. Aaron. The Kirwan Family, Mt. Wolseley Lodge. Tomás McDonald, 20 St. Patrick's Pk. Annie & Gerald McDonald, Rathvarrin. Bridie & Peter Bolger, Bendenstown.

**MASSES FOR SUNDAY 24TH JULY, 11 A.M.**

**MONTHS MIND:** Paddy McDonald, Tullowhill.

Teresa Kelly, Tankardstown. Bill & Teresa Edwards, St. Austins.

**ANNIVERSARY MASS:** Sean Farrell, Newry next Sunday 24th July at 9 a.m. in Grange Church.

**Masses for the coming week:**

**Tullow:** 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: 9.30 am.  
Saturday: 7.30 p.m.  
Sunday: 11.00 a.m.  
**Grange:** Sunday: 9.00 a.m.  
**Ardattin:** Sunday: 10 a.m.

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

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**GRANGE CEMETERY MASS 2022**

Friday 29th July at 8 p.m.

**Grandparents Pilgrimage to Knock**

Celebration of the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly takes place at Knock Shrine on Sunday 24th July with Mass at 3 p.m. followed by the Rosary. Anointing of the sick takes place at 2.30 p.m.

**Reek Sunday 2022:** The annual Reek Sunday pilgrimage takes place on Sunday July 31st at Croagh Patrick. Confessions on the summit: 7.30 a.m. - 2 p.m. Mass hourly from 8 a.m. - 2 p.m.

**The Tullow Marathon Runners** are back and their presentation of cheques to local charities and clubs will take place on 31st October, thank you for your continued support, if you would like to sponsor us our account is in Tullow Credit Union under 'Marathon Runner'. We would be so grateful with anything big or small.

**Parish Collections**

**Envelope Collection:** €1,185. **Basket Collection:** € 545. Many thanks.  
**Tullow Cemetery Mass Collection:** €3.070. Many thanks.

**Tullow Day Care Centre** would welcome any donations of clothes and bric a brack for their shop. Thank you.

**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](mailto:info@eistcarlowcancersupport.ie)

Tullow Parish Community Centre. Phone: 059 9151277.