

**Tullow Active Retirement:** A Christmas day trip to Shamrock Lodge Hotel in Athlone is arranged for Wednesday 14th December. This will be a great afternoon with Live music by Brendan Shine and his band. Phone Jim 086 1200466or Ettie on 086 8608611

**DATE FOR YOUR DIARY:** Get your glad rags on, dust off the dancing shoes and get yourself a ticket to a night of dancing and music with the Ritz Showband on Sunday 6th November in Mount Wolseley Hotel. It is expected to be a great night with a fantastic trip down memory lane. Get your tickets now to ensure you do not miss out! Tickets are available from Tullow Parish Office, Tullow Day Care Centre, Tullow Discount Store or any DTA Committee member. All funds raised are in aid of Tullow Day Care Centre and Develop Tullow Association. We hope to see you there.

**Project Tullow 2040** - The first public consultation workshop toward formulating a Town Centre master Plan for Tullow will take place on Wednesday 26th October from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. In Teach Bhride, Old Chapel Lane, Tullow.

**Bingo in Ballyconnell Hall** on Sunday 6th November at 8 p.m. We thank you for your support.

**Thank you:** The family of the late Olive Corcoran, 30 Hillbrook Estate would like to thank everyone who supported them especially the Staff of Sonas Nursing Home. Prayers will be offered for your intentions.

**Ardattin Development Committee** are having a tractor run in aid of Ardattin Field on Sunday 13th November. Registration at 12 noon with kick off at 1 p.m. from the car park. All vehicles welcome.

Primary School grinds and homework assistance from a qualified primary school teacher. Specialises in the area of Maths. Contact Chris on 085 1451619.

## TULLOW, GRANGE & ARDATTIN PARISH NEWSLETTER

30th October, 2022.

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time.

### PARISH CONTACTS

**Parish Office:** 059 9151277.  
**Email:** tullowparish@outlook.com  
**Fr. Brian Maguire:** 059 9181253.  
**Service of the Word and Holy Communion:**  
9.30 a.m. : Thursday.  
**MASS TIMES:**  
Monday: 9.30 a.m. and 7.30 p.m.  
Tuesday: 11.00 a.m. and 7.30 p.m.  
Wednesday 9.30 a.m.  
Friday: 7.30 p.m. (Bereavement Mass)  
Saturday: 7.30 p.m.  
Sunday: 11.00 a.m.  
**Grange:** Sunday at 9.00 a.m.  
**Ardattin:** Sunday at 10.00 a.m.

### Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Gospel: Luke 19:1-10**

#### Salvation to this house

The story of Zacchaeus is one of the most familiar Gospel stories, although it is only found in Luke. The vivid details resonate with us: the unpopular tax collector, too short to see Jesus, who climbs a tree to get a better view, and then hears the startling words of Jesus, '**Zacchaeus, hurry and come down; for I must stay at your home today**'. As he often does, Jesus goes against the social and religious expectations of his time. As a tax collector, Zacchaeus would have been considered an outsider, in this scene he is also literally on the outside of the crowd. He can't get a glimpse of Jesus, but in his determination to see him he climbs a tree.

Jesus sees Zacchaeus, however, and approached him, creating shock among the onlookers. They grumble, unhappy to see Jesus reaching out to a 'sinner'. Then Jesus does something completely unexpected. He invites himself to Zacchaeus home, where Jesus' pronouncement is equally unexpected, 'Today, salvation has come to this house'. This story ties in perfectly with the earlier parables of the Lost Coin, the Lost Sheep and the Prodigal Son (Lk 15:1-32). There we are reminded of the rejoicing that takes place when what has been lost is found again. Jesus has come to save the lost.

In this story, it is significant that Jesus invites Zacchaeus into table-fellowship, even before he decided to mend his ways and make restitution to those he had cheated. Zacchaeus welcomes Jesus to his house with open arms, and the experience of Jesus' love and acceptance transforms him. Jesus is waiting for our welcome today.

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"The question is not 'How am I to find God?' but 'How am I to let myself be found by [God]?' . . . God is looking into the distance for me, trying to find me, and longing to bring me home.

Henri J. M. Nouwen

### ANNIVERSARY MASSES FOR SATURDAY 29TH OCTOBER, 7.30 P.M.

**MONTHS MIND:** Mary Hogan, 81 Pairc Mhuire and also her husband Patrick whose anniversary occurs at this time.

**FIRST ANNIVERSARY:** Anthony (Tony) O'Neill, 2 Station Road.

**FIRST ANNIVERSARY:** Olive Corcoran, 30 Hillbrook Estate.

Kevin Roche, Pairc Mhuire. Annie & James Ralph, Kill, Tullow. John Bermingham, Dublin Road. Elizabeth and Nicholas Jackman, Tullowbeg. Joe & Ann Carroll, Ardoyne. Michael Murphy, 4 Dublin Road. Paddy Kirwan and deceased family members, Tullowland.

### MASSES FOR SUNDAY 30TH OCTOBER, 11.00 A.M.

**MONTHS MIND:** Paddy "Gug" McHutcheon, London and formerly of Cannonsquarter.

**FIRST ANNIVERSARY:** Craig Mahon, 132 Willow Park Carlow.

**ANNIVERSARY:** Paudie Fitzgibbon, Castlemore.

### ANNIVERSARY MASSES FOR SATURDAY 5TH NOVEMBER, 7.30 P.M.

Lar Keating, 7 Castledermot Road. John (Johnny) Smith, Rathglass. George & Anne O'Brien, Clonegal. Aidan Byrne, Tintean Phadraig. Peter & Mary Doyle and sons and daughters, Clonmore Castle, Clonmore. Jeremiah O'Toole and Peggy O'Toole, Ballymurphy and Anthony O'Toole, Ballyconnell and their deceased family members.

**ANNIVERSARY MASS:** John Brennan, The Blackloin, Ardattin next Sunday 6th November at 10 a.m. in Ardattin Church.

### Annual Remembrance Mass

The annual Remembrance Mass for our loved ones who died during the year will be celebrated on Friday 4th November at 7.30 p.m. in Tullow Church.

While the focus will be on parishioners who died during the year and on their families, the Mass is open to everyone who wishes to pray for their deceased relatives. **PLEASE NOTE: There will be no 9.30 a.m. Mass on Friday 4th November.**

### Parish Collections

**Envelope Collection:** €1,040. **Basket Collection:** €697. Many thanks.

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

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### All Saints Day - Tuesday November 1st.

Early Christians gathered around the graves of those who had lived exceptionally good lives. They gathered to commemorate them and the good example they set, through the lives they lived. This ancient tradition of remembering Saints continues on All Saints day every year. **There will be two Masses in Tullow Church: 7.30 p.m. Vigil Mass on Monday 31st October and 11.00 a.m. on Tuesday 1st November.**

### ALL Souls Day - Wednesday November 2nd

Having celebrated the feast of all the members of the church who are believed to be in heaven, the church on earth turns, on the next day, to commemorate all the faithful departed. On this day we pray for all souls that they too may find eternal peace. **There will be two Masses in Tullow Church: 9.30 a.m. and 7.30 p.m.**

Please use your special envelope for **Our Faithful Departed** this weekend 29th/30th October. Thank you.

**The Tullow Marathon Runners** Presentation of cheques to local charities and clubs will take place on **Monday 31st October at 2 p.m. in Murphy Memorial Hall, Tullow.** Our fund currently stands at €10,871, approximately 30 charities/clubs are going to benefit this year. Thank you to each and everyone of you that has helped us reach this total, if you would like to sponsor us our account is under 'Marathon Runner' in Tullow Credit Union. Best of luck to all the marathon runners for the big race today Sunday 30th October.

### What's on at Tullow Library?

**Baby Book Club:** Tuesdays at 10 a.m. (suitable for 0-3 years old and their parents/guardians).

**The Knitting and Crochet Club** (no leader or teacher - just enthusiastic people eager to learn and happy to share tips and advice) Wednesdays 5 - 7 p.m.

**Spooky storytelling** Friday 28th October, 3.30 p.m. (suitable for ages 4 and upwards).

**Book club for adults** coming soon. Phone 059 9136299

**Book club for teens** (12-14 years old) coming soon. 059 9136299.

Opening hours Monday-Friday from 9.30 to 5 p.m. and Wednesday till 7.30 p.m.

**ARDATTIN FUNDRAISERS** are holding a Table Quiz on 12th November in The Ardattin Inn in aid of Carlow/Kilkenny Homecare Team.

Tullow Parish Community Centre. Phone: 059 9151277.