

TULLOW SINGERS are looking for choristers. All welcome! Rehearsals are 8.00 - 9.30 p.m. with a tea break in the middle, every Wednesday, starting 1st February in Tullow Parish Centre.

Tullow Community School Parents Association are organising supervised Saturday Study commencing Saturday 28th January in The community School. Students can study in a quiet and supervised environment. Time: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Cost: €5. Saturday Study runs from January to May 2023 and is available to all years. Limited places available. Application forms available from the School Office.

TULLOW SCOUTS: urgently require adult volunteers to become leaders. Full training given. Contact 087 2602124

Pilgrimage to Medjugorje: Fully Escorted Trip: 4th - 11th April, 2023. €755. Only €100 deposit to secure place. Full Religious programme operated by Marian Pilgrimage Medjugorje Team. For more information on joining the group please contact Josie Duffy on 087 2543235.

ACTIVE RETIREMENT AGM

will take place
in Tullow Parish Centre on Tuesday 31st January at 11am.

Footcare by Nóirín: Foot health practitioner available for routine footcare in your own home. Phone 085 8487808.

WALTZ, JIVE, QUICKSTEP & LINE DANCING etc... with Frances in Murphy Memorial Hall on Tuesdays nights: Beginners: 7.30 - 8.00 p.m. and 8 - 10 p.m. for Beginners and Advanced. No partner required.

First Break of the year: 3 nights, 4 day trip to West Cork on 24th April. Contact Joe on 086 3504351.

TULLOW, GRANGE & ARDATTIN PARISH NEWSLETTER

29th January, 2023

Fourth 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:
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday at 9.30 a.m.

MASS TIMES:

Saturday: 7.30 p.m.

Sunday: 11.00 a.m.

Grange: Sunday at 9.00 a.m.

Ardattin: Sunday at 10.00 a.m.

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time - The Beatitudes

The Gospel reading today is known as the Beatitudes, a name which comes from the Latin beatitudinem meaning "state of blessedness." Pope Francis says that in the Beatitudes "Jesus explained with great simplicity what it means to be holy." Jesus says, Happy are :-

The Poor in spirit. Living life in a spirit of poverty -not constantly seeking wealth and riches.

The Gentle. We all value people who are gentle. Being gentle can be confused with being naive, however Saint Francis de Sales said "nothing is so strong as gentleness, and nothing is so gentle as real strength."

Those who mourn. Blessed are the People who are prepared to acknowledge their failures, their times of weakness, and their sins.

Those who Hunger and thirst for what is right. The expression "right" is associated with the seeking of friendship and closeness to God - as in the expression a "righteous person". A hunger and a thirst for a relationship with God is a great blessing.

The Merciful. Mercy is a uniquely religious concept. It involves Forgiveness and Compassion. We must show mercy, as we are shown mercy by God. "Mercy will always be greater than any sin, no one can put a limit on the love of the all-forgiving God." Pope Francis, The Name of God is Mercy.

The Pure in heart. Our motives for acts of goodness and kindness are always mixed. A pure heart is keenly aware of this . Therefore we must work quietly and humbly, to develop a pure heart.

The peacemakers, "Peace be with you" Jesus said. Making peace using mercy and forgiveness every day is a blessing.

Those Persecuted in the cause of right. Throughout the world missionaries and ordinary people are regularly persecuted for their righteousness . The Lord seeks steadfastness when religious people are attacked in any way.

The qualities raised in the Beatitudes are not just a feature of Matthew's Gospel. Throughout the Old Testament, and especially in the Psalms, God has always sought that his people be humble, righteous and decent, as described in the Beatitudes . We pray for the grace to be people reflective of the Beatitudes.
Vincent Crowley Deacon.

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Eugene Lyons, 19 St. Olivers Villas, Tullow and formerly of Graiguecullen, Carlow who died recently.

MASS FOR SATURDAY 28TH JANUARY, 7.30 P.M.

Kathleen & John Kavanagh, Kill. Patrick Connolly, 3 Bellwood Drive. John Shannon, Ardristan. Pat Murphy & deceased family members, Rathbawn. Joe Nolan, Hillbrook Est. Joe Nolan, Hillbrook Estate, Tullow. Brigid Shannon, Grangeford. Maureen & Kevin McGurgan, Bough, Rathvilly. Bernard Flynn, The Course. Jim Savage, The Square. Tomás Orbinski, Bellwood Drive. Paddy Flynn, Tinryland.

MASS FOR SUNDAY 29th JANUARY, 11.00 A.M.

John Foley, The Square. Billy O'Neill, Ballymurphy.

MASSES FOR SATURDAY 4TH FEBRUARY, 7.30 P.M.

Tom & Elsie McNabb, Church Street. Sally & May McNabb, Church Street. Adrian Kelly, formerly of Crosskeys. Peter Byrne, Dublin Road and brother Harry, Rathvilly. Jim Gorman, 31 Dublin Road. Dom Murphy, Barrack Street. Mike Holden and Elizabeth & James Holden, Ouragh. Thomas Thompson, Knocknatubrid. Mary O'Neill, Ballintemple. Mary Doran, 3 Pairc Mhuire and The Hayden family, Tankardstown.

ANNIVERSARY: Paddy Keating, Mill Street next Sunday 5th February at 9.00 a.m. in Grange Church.

MASSES FOR SUNDAY 5TH FEBRUARY, 11 A.M.

E.J. Foley, Shillelagh Grove. Pdraig Cunnane, Shillelagh Grove.

1st February, 2023: St. Brigid's Day. Feast of St Brigid, Secondary Patron of Ireland - Patroness of the Diocese of Kildare and Leighlin. Service of The Word and Holy Communion on Wednesday at 9.30 a.m.

2nd February: Feast of the Presentation of Our Lord (Candlemas Day). Candles will be blessed on Thursday at the Service of the Word and Holy Communion at 9.30 a.m.

3rd February: Feast of St. Blaise with blessing of throats on Friday at the Service of the Word and Holy Communion at 9.30 a.m.

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

Email: tullowparish@outlook.com

Parish Collections

Envelope Collection: €1,535. **Basket Collection:** €671. Many thanks.

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Solas Bhríde in partnership with the Kildare tourist board is encouraging people to 'Pause for Peace' with a global minute's silence at 12 noon on St. Brigid's Day, February 1st.

FEAST OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES

We will have a Healing Mass with the Sacrament of the Sick on Friday 10th February at 2.30 p.m. in the Parish Church.

Coffee Morning in Tullow Parish Centre on Wednesday 8th February after the 9.30 a.m. Mass. Funds in aid of Radio Maria.

THANK YOU: The Peter McVery Trust would like to thank all those who donated to the Christmas Crib donation box in Tullow Church. A total of €1,555 was raised and forwarded to the above Trust.

St. Patrick's Day Parade, 2023

A public Meeting will take place in Tullow Parish Centre on Tuesday 31st January commencing at 7.30 p.m. for all those who would like to be involved in the preparations for the Annual St. Patrick's Day Parade on 17th March. Enquiries to 087 8538596, email developtullow@gmail.com or message us via our Facebook Page.

Grange GFC are delighted to bring a really exciting and unique event to the running calendar for 2023. Duckett's Grove Castle and Estate in Co. Carlow will form a strikingly enigmatic and dramatic backdrop for the inaugural 'Great Duckett Run' on Sunday 26th February, 2023 at 11 a.m. With a beautiful bespoke medal and great prizes on offer this is surely an event not to be missed. Early bird registration is from 20. Refreshments provided on the day. In association with Grange Village Committee.

Tullow Parish Community Centre. Phone: 059 9151277.