

## YOGA WITH KATIE

Friday nights 7 pm (home venue) Sundays 10am Tullow Tennis Club.  
€13 per class or €45 for 4 classes. To book text 086 8790171 or dm  
@moderndayyoga\_ on instagram

## TULLOW ACTIVE RETIREMENT

Tullow Active Retirement are having a BBQ on Thursday 3rd August at 1 p.m. in Rathwood. The cost is €20. Anyone interested in attending, please contact Kathleen on 087 9713558 or Joe 086 3504351.

**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.

### 'Chiropodist at Tullow Day Care Centre'

From August onwards chiropodist fees for member of the public at Tullow Day Care will increase to 35 per visit. If you would like further information on Chiropodist visits at Tullow Day Care, please contact the centre on 059 9151833.

## Pilgrimage to Medjugorje

Fr. John O'Brien, Killinure is organising a pilgrimage to Medjugorje in October. We hope to leave on Wednesday 7th October and return on Wednesday 14th October. Price is €795 per person sharing. Contact Fr. John on 086 2403787 for more information.

The Diocese of Kildare & Leighlin and Ossory are jointly seeking to recruit a Diocesan Director of Safeguarding with responsibility for children & vulnerable adults. This post will be based between Carlow Town & Kilkenny City. Informal enquiries can be made to Rev. Dr. Dermot Ryan [dermotryan@ossary.ie](mailto:dermotryan@ossary.ie) / 056 7721086.

## TULLOW CREDIT UNION

Are looking for Volunteers to help run this vital community institution. Maybe you could join a committee & maybe eventually become a director. Free training provided & educational opportunities. Please contact the manager with your details.

The family of the late Lil Birmingham (nee Jackman) would like to offer their sincerest thanks and appreciation for the support and kindness from neighbours, friends and the community during this sad time.  
Mass has been offered for your intentions.

## TULLOW, GRANGE & ARDATTIN PARISH NEWSLETTER

30th July, 2023

Seventeenth Sunday  
in Ordinary Time.

## PARISH CONTACTS

**Parish Office:** 059 9151277.  
**Email:** [tullowparish@outlook.com](mailto:tullowparish@outlook.com)  
**Fr. Brian Maguire:** 059 9181253.

### Mass Times

Monday & Friday at 9.30 a.m.

### Service of The Word and Holy Communion:

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday at 9.30 a.m.

## The readings today are about wisdom and making good choices

### First Reading

The first reading tells the story of Solomon's request that God grants him wisdom. "Give your servant a heart to understand how to discern between good and evil." God is impressed. "It pleased the Lord that Solomon should have asked for this."

### Gospel

In the time of Jesus, the majority of the population lived relative poverty, working as labourers. In the Gospel Jesus describes the actions of a landowner, a jewel merchant, and a group of fishermen. These people recognise the value of the Kingdom of Heaven. They set aside everything in pursuit of their goal of redemption.

We too can be busy, productive people as well as good Christians so long as we are not consumed by what we do and are always reaching for the Kingdom of Heaven. Achieving this goal takes wise decision making-which brings us back to Solomon and the ability to discern between good and evil.

Having a relationship with God brings wisdom into our lives. The second reading says "God co-operates with all those who love him, with all those he has called according to his purpose."

### The Wisdom of Pope Francis

"We have the holy Spirit inside us, in our heart; we can listen to it, or we can choose not to listen to it. If we listen to the Holy Spirit, He will teach us the way of wisdom, and give us the wisdom to see through God's eyes, to hear with God's ears, to love with the heart of God and to judge with God's judgement."

*Vincent Crowley*  
Deacon

**MASSES FOR SATURDAY 29th JULY, 7.30 P.M.**

Margaret Moody, Kinneagh. Willie Birch, Parkbridge. Bridie & Peter Bolger, Bendens-town. Annie & Gerald McDonald, Rathvarrin. Tomás McDonald, St. Patrick's Park. John Ward, Knocklow & his parents Masie & Charlie Ward. Mary Hogan, Pairc Mhuire.

**MASS FOR SUNDAY 30TH JULY, 11.00 A.M.**

**MONTHS MIND:** Jason Hickey, 65 Pairc Mhuire.

**MASS FOR SUNDAY 30TH JULY, 9 a.m. GRANGE**

Brian Farrell, Newry.

**MASSES FOR SATURDAY 5TH AUGUST, 7.30 P.M.**

The deceased family members of The Five Cottages, Tullowland. Las O'Toole, Castledermot Road & his son Gordon, Athy & formerly Castledermot Road. Thomas Doyle, 48 Dublin Road & his daughter Mary Doyle. Julia Fleming, Knocklow.

**MASS FOR SUNDAY 6TH AUGUST, 11.00 A.M.**

Mary Bolger, Templeowen.

**MASS FOR SUNDAY 6TH AUGUST, 10.00 A.M. ARDATTIN**

**MONTHS MIND:** Maria Falls, Leaney, Ardattin.

One of the questions people ask the clergy is why we choose the life we do-why priesthood, when there are so many other ways of life to choose, more lucrative, less demanding, a life offering the possibility of marriage and family. There are many reasons why you choose another way. For me, it was as if I discovered that the love of God is something that is immeasurable, immense, beyond all you can ever imagine or desire. I remember when I was about six, visiting the church at home during exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, and being aware that there was something really significant going on in the depth of the silence-the presence of God was almost palpable. As a youngster looking at what I would do in later life, it seemed that as we come from God at the beginning of our lives and return to God at the end of our lives, so God has to be significant to our existence at every moment in between; there's no time when we're not called to respond to him. Not ever for an instant are we outside the reach of his love, there is no time when God's love to me as a 17 year old seemed priceless beyond measure and it still does today. I might not have used the images of the pearl of great price or the treasure in the field, but this evening they seem quite appropriate.

*Jesus said to the crowds, "The Kingdom of Heaven is like a field which someone has found; he hides it again, goes off happy, sells everything he owns and buys the field."*

*An Extract from "My Life In Your Hands"  
Thoughts & Words of Fr. John Cummins*

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## BAPTISMS

**Tullow:** First three Saturdays of the month at 1.30 p.m.

**Grange & Ardattin:** The last Saturday of the month rotating.  
Please give at least three weeks notice for a baptism.

On Friday 4th August, Bishop Denis will celebrate the 10th anniversary of his ordination as Bishop of Kildare & Leighlin. Parishoners & Clergy are invited to participate in the 7pm Mass on Sunday 6th August in Carlow Cathedral to mark this occasion.

**PERSONAL ALARMS:** Anyone over 65 years of age who needs a Personal Alarm please contact St. Catherine's Services, St. Joseph's Road, Carlow for an application form or phone 059 9138700.

### Mass on Slane Hill

On 6th August (Feast of the Transfiguration) at 2 p.m. to consecrate Ireland once again as St. Patrick did. This is being organised by Dana and Damien. Sr. Breege will lead with the Eucharistic Healing Service after Mass. Transport available. If interested, contact Lily on 087 1523045.

## Parish Collections

**Envelope Collection:** €1,798. **Basket Collection:** €646. Many thanks.

Due to rising costs, the shrine candles will go up to .30c from the beginning of August.

Thank you for your continued support.

**Parish Tax Reclaim Forms (CHY):** If you have received one we would ask you to return the completed form to the Parish Office as soon as you can. Thanks for your generosity and co-operation; the parish will receive a tax refund from the Revenue Commissioners. This scheme is totally confidential.

Jennifer Murnane's New Location Constituency Clinic is in Tullow Parish Community Centre every Monday between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m.

**Check out our new Facebook page (Tullow Parish)**

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