TOTS TO TEENS are seeking voluntary membership to the Board of Directors. We need people who care about the childcare facility and it's future. Our facility is a not-for-profit community childcare facility whose mission it is to provide affordable, accessible, reliable and excellent quality childcare for children and families in Tullow and the surrounding areas. Board members provide the necessary skills, knowledge, leadership and the extra hands to get things done to ensure the continuous improvement of our childcare service. If you feel you have the necessary skills and spare time to provide a meaningful and beneficial impact to the Board of Directors, please contact: david@totstoteenstullow.ie to discuss.

ACTIVE RETIREMENT YOGA: Tuesday mornings at 10 a.m. in The Parish Centre. New members welcome. Contact Mary 0868757346 or Bernie 0874168828.

Tullow Singers will be meeting in Tullow Parish Centre every Wednesday night at 8 p.m. Relaxed Environment. Members wanted. Ability to sightread non-essential.

Thanks to all who supported the Pro-Life collection.
A total of €268.74 was raised.

Mature reliable college student available for evening & weekend babysitting in Tullow & surrounding areas. References available. Please contact 0852407373 for further information.

TULLOW RFC: Rugby World Cup Preview at The Blackgates.

Guests - Sean O'Brien, Bernard Jackman, Alison Miller. MC Paddy Browne. Thursday 14th September at 8 p.m. Tickets are €20 plus booking fee available on Eventbrite or 086 8134995/087 6237758.

Patchwork Quilt Making Class in Rathvilly. 6 weeks class starting 12th September, Tuesday evening, 7–9 p.m. and Wednesday morning, 10.30 - 12.30 a.m. Contact Tomomi for further information on 085 7749774.

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Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time.

PARISH CONTACTS

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Mass Times

Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 9.30 a.m. Service of The Word and Holy Communion: Tuesday and Thursday at 9.30 a.m.

Two important and related ideas are the focus of the First reading and Gospel today.

1. Church's obligation to speak out.

The First reading underlines Church Leaders' obligation to speak out on matters of concern to them. In the reading God requires the prophet Ezekiel "to be sentry to the House of Israel". Where wickedness is found among the people "warn them in my name." The consequences are serious for the wicked;- "then he shall die for his sin".

There is obligation to speak out. God says "I will hold you responsible for his death". God seeks repentance not death;- "I do not take pleasure in the death of the wicked but in the conversion of the wicked who changes his ways and saves his life. Repent, turn back from your evil ways.

2. Confession

The Gospel speaks of the obligation to engage with those within the Church who are on the wrong path. If your brother does something wrong, go and have it out with him. However the emphasis is on loving the sinner and hating the sin (St. Augustine). Jesus says "If he listens to you, you have won back your brother".

Jesus says "I tell you solemnly, whatever you bind on earth shall be considered bound in heaven; whatever you loose on earth shall be considered lost in heaven. These words provide the link in the reading to absolution in confession.

Forgiveness

Pope Francis wants confession to be positive. "Forgiveness is a 'right' in the sense that God, in the Paschal Mystery of Christ, has given it in a total and irreversible way to every person willing to accept it, with a humble and repentant heart".

His best know comment on confession was in March 2022 "experience the tenderness of God's merciful love. He never tires of showing us his merciful heart. He never tires of forgiving. It is we who tire of asking for forgiveness, but he never gets tired".

Vincent Crowley (Deacon)

R.I.P. Eamonn McHutcheon, Clohamon, Bunclody & Tullow. Michael (Mickey) Carroll, Cuanahowan, Tullow who died recently.

MASSES FOR SATURDAY 9TH SEPTEMBER, 7.30 P.M.

Brigid & Patrick Cannon, Elmgrove and daughters Peg & Una. Martin Doyle, Ouragh. Sarah Stanton (nee Darcy) and her husband John, Birmingham and late of St. Austins Terrace. Brigid Carroll, Killerig and son Paul. Ellen Aspinall, St. Olivers Villas. Pat Doran, Hillbrook Estate. Brigid Cosgrove, 23 Templeowen. Pauline Canning, Dublin Road. Bill Canavan, Tintean Phadraig. Annie & Edward Quigley, Larkfield, Carlow. Noel & Ella Ward, Clontarf.

MASSES FOR SUNDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER, 11.00 A.M.

MONTHS MIND: Kathleen Byrne, Tullowhill.

FIRST ANNIVERSARY: Gregory Nolan, Woodbrook, Barrack Street.

ANNIVERSARIES: Anna D'Arcy Murphy, Jeremiah Murphy & Patrick D'Arcy, Killinure also The D'Arcy & Murphy Families, Killinure. Sean Doyle, Tobinstown.

ARDATTIN 10TH SEPTEMBER, 10.00 A.M.

Annie & Michael McGrath and deceased family members, "Farmyard", Ballintemple.

MASSES FOR SATURDAY 16TH SEPTEMBER, 7.30 P.M.

MONTHS MIND: Mary Healy, Crosslow.

ANNIVERSARIES: Kathleen & Michael Dowling, Paulville. Caroline Byrne (nee Curran) formerly 69 St. Patrick's Pk. Elizabeth Rogers (nee Lacey), Waterford & Tullow. Michael & Brigid O'Neill, St. Austin's Tce. & sons John & Tom. Mary & Frank Fleming, Dublin Rd. Paddy & Sheila McCall, Crosslow & grandson Brendan. Kathleen Goodison, Cobblers Corner. Ellen Thompson, Castledermot Road. Maureen Browne, Church St.

ARDATTIN 17TH SEPTEMBER, 10.00 A.M.

MONTHS MIND: Jer Brophy, Knocknatubrid.

The Totus Tuus Men for Christ Conference 2023

A Catholic Conference for men will be live & exclusive on Radio Maria Ireland Saturday 16th September from 2 p.m. Speakers will be Fr. Billy Swan, Fr. Chris Hayden, Anthony Crossey & Fr. John Harris OP.

PILGRIMAGE

To Knock on Sunday 24th September.

Bus leaving Church carpark at 7.15 a.m. Cost is €30 per person.

Leave names into Tullow Parish Centre.

TULLOW CULTURE NIGHT - SAVE THE DATE

Culture Night takes place nationally on September 22nd. We want to embrace and celebrate the cultural diversity in Tullow.

A range of FREE exciting cultural events, to suit all ages are taking place in various venues throughout Tullow from 4 p.m. Event maps with details of all events are on display in the town.

FREE tickets are now available for African drumming workshop and the performance of "Tales from the Ring of the Rath" performed by "Bridge Gap Productions" the members of the Cairdeas Centre. Tickets are now available from Tullow Discount Store. Due to limited availability, please only get tickets if your are able to attend the event. (Note the distribution of tickets will be limited to people)

Keep up to date and please follow and share all the latest news, on our Facebook page Tullow Culture Night.

Any enquiries please email – <u>tullowculturenight2023@gmail.com</u>

Parish Collections

Envelope Collection: €1,784. **Basket Collection**: €768. Many thanks.

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