#### **JJ CONNOLLY MEMORIAL**

Table Quiz & Cheque Presentation
Friday 29th September, 2023
In Dalton's Bar at 8.30 p.m.
Table of 4 €40
Thank you sincerely for your continued support
Proceeds this year will go to
Tullow Community First Responders
Bishop's House, Tullow
& The Irish Kidney Association

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

**THANK YOU**: The family of the late Hugh Murphy, Grange, Tullow, Co. Carlow would like to thank everyone for their kind expressions of sympaty on the death of Hugh. Thanks also to those who gave so generously to the collection for the Poor Claire's, Carlow. A sum of 915 was donated.

Hugh's months mind will take place on Sunday 1st October at 9 a.m. in Grange church.

**TULLOW DAY CARE CENTRE AGM** will be held on Tuesday 26th September in Tullow Day Care Centre at 7 p.m. Anyone wishing to attend this meting, can you please advise the Main Office on 059 9151833 by Friday 22nd September.

You are invited to celebrate our work and the launch of our strategic plan 2023—2026 by **Andrea Dalton Cathaoirleach of Carlow County Council** in Forward Steps Resource Centre, Chapel Lane, Tullow on Thursday 28th September at 11 a.m.

R.S.V.P. on or before 25th September.

#### TULLOW ACTIVE RETIREMENT MEETING

on Tuesday 26th September at 2 pm. in Tullow Parish Centre.

# TULLOW, GRANGE & ARDATTIN PARISH NEWSLETTER 24th September, 2023

Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time.

#### **PARISH CONTACTS**

Parish Office: 059 9151277. Email: tullowparish@outlook.com Fr. Brian Maguire: 059 9181253.

**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.

#### "for my thoughts are not your thoughts".

The Gospel today contains a story about lack of fairness. Starting at day break, an employer takes on employees to work in his vineyard. He continues hiring until the last hour of the day -the eleventh hour. The employer pays all the employees the same wages regardless of what time they started work. The employees who worked a full day are unhappy. "The men who came last" they said "have done only one hour, and you have treated them the same as us.

The employer was unfair but he was not unjust. "I am not being unjust to you; did we not agree on one denarius?. He paid all the hired men he rewarded them - as he had promised.

God is the employer in this parable. The message is that God has an endless capacity to forgive and be merciful towards us- "our God who is rich in forgiving". (First reading) Regardless of when we respond to God's call we will be rewarded. It is not fair but God tells us in the first reading "my thoughts are not your thoughts."

During the Crucifixion we saw two strong examples of God's mercy.

The thief who was crucified for his crimes alongside Jesus heard these words - "this day you will be with me in paradise." Jesus also sought mercy and forgiveness for his torturers "Father, forgive them for they know not what they do".

God is reaching out to each one of us calling to us to work in His Kingdom. Let us answer the call before the eleventh hour passes.

Vincent Crowley Deacon

#### MASSES FOR SATURDAY 23RD SEPTEMBER, 7.30 P.M.

**MONTHS MIND**: Patsy Galvin, Dublin Road.

Ann Sherrin, Station Road and her husband Jackie Sherrin. Willie Sheppard, John Sheppard, Tommy Hickey and The Lambe family, Ouragh. Jim & Margaret Sheppard, Rathlyon. Eileen McNabb, Tullowhill. Ann Kelly-Eddy, formerly Crosskeys. Sally & May McNabb, Church Street. Annie Baird, Dublin Road. Kevin Hennessy, Knocklow. Martin & Lydia Fenelon & daughters Ursula and Attracta and son in law Michael Kavanagh. Eamon Walsh, Tullow & Straboe. Sr. Mary Dalton, Delaney Court.

#### ANNIVERSARY MASS FOR SUNDAY 24TH SEPTEMBER, 7.30 P.M.

Bernie O'Neill, 24 St. Austins Terrace. Jim & Anastasia Murphy, Church Street.

### ANNIVERSARY MASSES FOR SATURDAY 30TH SEPTEMBER, 7.30 P.M.

**MONTHS MIND**: Eamon McHutcheon, Clohamon, Bunclody and formerly of Tullow.

Annie Byrne and son Paddy, Ballymurphy. Ben Mulhall, Shillelagh Grove. The Mulhall Family, Fairgreen. Frances Birch, Park Bridge, Clonegal. James Farrell Jnr, Pairc Mhuire. Jim & Julia Doyle and daughter Kathleen, Castledermot Road. Ellen Whitfield, Mill Street. James & Kathleen Halpin, Mill Street. Kathleen Maxwell, 4 Courtlawns.

### MASSES FOR SUNDAY 1ST OTCTOBER, 11.00 A.M.

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

**ANNIVERSARY**: Kitty Power, Tramore.

**MONTHS MIND**: Hugh Murphy, Grange next Sunday 1st October at 9 a.m. in Grange Church.

## TAP TO DONATE

Thank you to everyone who find the tap to donate facilities helpful. Both machines are up and running.

## Tullow Parish Income and Expenditure Accounts 2022

The Parish Accounts for 2022 are available in the three churches today and also on the church notice boards. Thank you for your generosity and loyalty. May you be blessed abundantly.



#### Scoil Mhuire Lourdes, Tullow

**School Lotto**: Our Fundraising initiative is to raise money to directly support your children's education and resources for an outdoor play space and green area for the children.

The weekly option to contribute is  $\in 2$  per line or  $\in 5$  for 3 lines. Once your signed up, you have a chance to win our jackpot or be a weekly winner.

## HARVEST COLLECTION

Please use your special envelope for Harvest Collection (Collection for Clergy Fund) this weekend 24th September. Thank you.

# **TULLOW COMMUNITY SCHOOL - OPEN EVENING**

Thursday 12th October, 2023 6.30 p.m. - 9 p.m.

**The Marie Kealing Bus** will be at Forward Steps Resource Centre on Monday 25th September at 10.30 a.m. Everyone is welcome, you can pop into the Centre for tea/coffee on the day.

## **Parish Collections**

**Envelope Collection**: €2,069. **Basket Collection**: €869. Many thanks.

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

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