

TULLOW RFC CHRISTMAS FAYRE

A taste of Tullow

Friday 24th November at 8 p.m. at The Blackgates

Murphy Craft Butchers, Coolattin Cheddar, Chocolate Factory, Elannas Boutique and Gift Gallery. Food Tasting, Display of Goods and lots of spot prizes on the night. Admission is €10. Tickets available from Mary O'Neill on 087 6237758, Robin Johnson, 086 8134995 or any committee member.

Tullow Community Group CLG – Community Employment Scheme Job Vacancies

Intellectual Disabilities – Activities/Support Worker, Maintenance Worker, Driver Maintenance Worker, Healthcare Assistant, Groundskeeper/Caretaker Farm Worker, Caretaker, Clerical/Admin Assistant, Community Development Assistant and Youth Support/Admin Worker.

For more information or to apply

Contact us on 059 – 9180977 or call into our office in Tullow Parish Centre.

Youth Mental Health First Aid Training

We are delighted to offer a dedicated Youth MHFA course to Carlow Regional Youth Service fully funded through our partnership with the HSE. Twenty places, each valued at €350 are available on this Youth MHFA training on the following dates: Wednesday 6th December from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Thursday 7th December from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Contact Jamie at Jamie@carlowys.ie

Ardattin Fundraisers are having a Table Quiz on Saturday 18th November. Table of 4 will be €40. Start time is at 9 p.m. with lovely raffle prizes on the night.

Art Class: For previous attendees of Thursday/Friday Art Classes in Tullow Parish Centre. Are you interested in meeting at the Parish Centre on Thursday mornings? We can continue to work on our art, although we will be without a teacher following the sad passing of Hilary Elmes. If interested contact Therese at 085 1401110.

Ardattin National School are holding a clothing collection on 17th November, any community donations would be much appreciated. Bags of clothes can be left in the school's play shed at any time. Thank you.

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Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time.

PARISH CONTACTS

Parish Office: 059 9151277.
Email: tulowparish@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:

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Under Jewish custom at the time of Jesus, one year before any couple were formally married, a marriage covenant was first agreed between the Father of the Bride and the groom. The couple were betrothed for this year. On the wedding day itself, the groom and his supporters processed by torch light to the bride's home to accompany the bride and her party to the groom's father's house, where the formal wedding ceremony took place. The groom's arrival to meet his bride was a major part of the marriage process.

Our Gospel parable today is set during the arrival of a groom. Five "foolish" bridesmaids awaited him but were unprepared. In a panic they had to urgently source oil for their lamps. The five fully prepared "sensible" bridesmaids got to the wedding, the foolish ones missed out.

In the parable the bridesmaids had one important task to undertake and they failed to complete it. The same is true for us. God has a special task for each one of us. John Henry Newman wrote about this :-

"God has created me to do Him some definite service. He has committed some work to me which He has not committed to another. I have my mission. I may never know it in this life, but I shall be told it in the next. I am a link in a chain, a bond of connection between persons.

He has not created me for naught. I shall do good; I shall do His work. I shall be an angel of peace, a preacher of truth in my own place, while not intending it if I do but keep His commandments.

Therefore, I will trust Him, whatever I am, I can never be thrown away. If I am in sickness, my sickness may serve Him, in perplexity, my perplexity may serve Him. If I am in sorrow, my sorrow may serve Him. He does nothing in vain. He knows what He is about. He may take away my friends. He may throw me among strangers. He may make me feel desolate, make my spirits sink, hide my future from me. Still, He knows what He is about."

John Henry Newman

MASSES FOR SATURDAY 11TH NOVEMBER, 7.30 P.M.

FIRST ANNIVERSARY: George Byrne, St. Patrick's Park.

MONTHS MIND: Willie McHutcheon, St. Patrick's Park. Martin & Brigid Earle, Dublin Road. Ann Doyle, 48 Dublin Road. Kitty Kavanagh, Templeowen. Owen McCoy, Rathbarin. Elizabeth Gahan, Crosslow. Jack Kelleher, Leixlip, Co. Kildare. Tom & Lizzie Byrne, Park Bridge, Clonegal. Michael & Brigid Kenny, Templeowen. Pat Mulhall, Pairc Mhuire. Margaret & Joseph Nicholson, New Chapel Lane. Mary Dempsey, Hillbrook Estate. James & Mary Watchorn, Pairc Mhuire and also Bridie & Eamon Byrne, Killinure. Mary Pender, Renmore, Galway. Aileen Dunne, 38 Dublin Road.

MASSES FOR SUNDAY 12TH NOVEMBER, 11 A.M.

FIRST ANNIVERSARY: Evan Fitzgerald, Castlemore.

George & Ann O'Brien, Clonegal. Patrick & Margaret Butler, Newstown. Patrick & Elizabeth Doyle, Castlemore. Maura O'Sullivan, Ardoyne, her parents Molly and James Carroll and her brother Joe and his wife Anne.

ANNIVERSARY MASSES FOR SATURDAY 18TH NOVEMBER, 7.30 P.M.

FIRST ANNIVERSARY: Eamon D'arcy, St. Austins Terrace.

Sean D'arcy, Steepleview Crescent. Betty Tobin, St. Austins Terrace. Peter & Mary Doyle, Conmore Castle and sons and daughter. Kathleen O'Brien, Templeowen. Paddy & Margaret Murphy, The Green and deceased members of The Murphy family. Sammy & Nancy Smith, Templeowen.

MASSES FOR SUNDAY 19TH NOVEMBER, 11.00 A.M.

Mary Maher, Hillbrook Estate, her son Colin Smith and the Keating, Whelan and O'Neill family. Dan, Nancy and Christine O'Brien, The Hollow.

Prayer for Peace (Holy Hour) will be held in The Parish Church, Tullow on Sunday 19th November at 3.30 p.m. All welcome.

THANK YOU: The Tullow Marathon Runners would sincerely like to thank Anne Duffy, Cheryl and Willie for sponsoring the trophies for the runners and the winners at their recent presentation, every year without fail they sponsor us with fantastic trophies to treasure for years to come, we wish you continued success.

Carlow County Museum

Visit Carlow County Museum and get a snapshot of our great history and see objects of national and international importance. Undertake our children's Museum Detective challenge! Open seven days a week, Free Admission. Carlow County Museum & Carlow Tourist Office, College Street, Carlow Town. Phone 059 9131554.

County Carlow Environmental Network

A friendly food gathering for everyone!

Conversations about local food, with local food producers.

- Where does your food come from?
- How do you feel about food security?
- Why does gut health matter?
- What will we eat when the oil runs out?

Tullow Parish Community Centre on **Wednesday November 29th** from 7.30 p.m. to 9.30 p.m. Free entry, just come along. Free refreshments available.

The Tullow Active Retirement Christmas Lunch will be held on 14th December in Mount Wolseley at 2 p.m. Dancing and music. €20 for members and €38 for non members. Tickets must be purchased before the event. Tickets will be available from Joe Stynes or Kathleen. If you wish you can call to the Town Hall on Monday, Wednesday or Friday between 2—4 p.m. to purchase your tickets.

Parish Collections

Envelope Collection: €1,822. **Basket Collection:** €1,162. Many thanks.

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

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