Annual Féile Bride, Solas Bride Centre, Kildare

Féile Bríde (Brigid's Festival) is a week-long series of events commencing on the eve of St. Brigid's Day, the first day of February.

This year, over the course of 10 days, the festival will mark the 1500th anniversary of St. Brigid's death and details of the vents planned are available locally and on https://solasbhride.ie/feile-bride-2024/

FORMS AVAILABLE at the back of the Church for anyone that would like to volunteer for Eucharistic Minister, Funeral Minister or Reading at mass.

TULLOW ACTIVE RETIREMENT

The A.G.M. of Tullow Active Retirement will be held on Tuesday 30th January at 2 p.m. in Tullow Parish Centre. Nominations for **Renewal of membership** €20 is due from 1st January, 2024. Application forms available from Parish Centre or from Kathleen in Town Hall on Mondays, Wednesdays or Fridays from 2 - 4 p.m.

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In the Bord Gais Energy Theatre on Wednesday 28th February @ 2.30 p.m.. Bus departing Rathoe village at 10.45 a.m. & Ballon village at 11.20 a.m. Tickets €45 each which includes bus and entry to show. For bookings contact Sheila 087 6549427 (accepts payment, paypal/revolut) or Ann 087 9159695.

Tickets non-refundable but can be resold.

Celebrating Brigid 1500 at Mt. St. Anne's

Enjoy the St. Brigid's Bank Holiday weekend at Mount St. Anne's Retreat and Conference Centre. Arrive for supper on Friday 2nd February and depart on Tuesday 6th February after breakfast. Cost €450. Booking to secretary@mountstannes.com or phone 057 8626153.

Parish Collections

Envelope Collection: €2,704. **Basket Collection**: €932. Many thanks.

Housekeeper Required in the Tullow area for 2 days a week. Contact 087 6001003.

BUNCH OF KEYS LOST in Tullow. Contact Tullow Parish Centre: 059 9151277.

TULLOW, GRANGE & ARDATTIN PARISH NEWSLETTER

28th January, 2024

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time.

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MASSES

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday at 9.30 a.m.

Service of The Word and Holy Communion:

Tuesday 9.30 a.m.

Prayer to St. Brigid 1st February

Oh Brigid, Mary of the Gael, may your protection never fail.
Spread your mantle over me, where 'ere I am, where 'ere I be.
Cover me with God's joy and peace, let my faith and hope never cease.

Shine your light
where there is darkness,
Strengthen me in any weakness.
Heal all within that may be ill,
give me the desire to do God's will.
'Till rest, my journey o'er,
with God and you forever more.

St. Brigid,
Patron of Kildare and Leighlin,
Pray for us.

R.I.P. P.J. Gahan, Crosslow who died recently.

ANNIVERSARY MASSES FOR SATURDAY 27TH JANUARY, 7.30 P.M.

MONTHS MIND: Jim Byrne, Hawkin's Lane.

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John Foley, The Square. Patrick Connolly, Bellwood Drive. Bridget Shannon, Grangeford. Maureen & Kevin McGurgan, Rathvilly. Billy O'Neill, Ballymurphy. Kathleen & John Kavanagh, Kill. Brigid & Joseph Healy, Deerpark. Carmel & Michael Durnan, 20 Beechpark, Kilkenny. Pat Murphy & deceased family members, Rathbawn. Joe Nolan, Hillbrook Est. Bill & Ciss Thompson, The Course, son Luke and daughter Marie. Johnny Shannon, Ardristan.

ANNIVERSARY MASSES FOR SUNDAY 28th JANUARY, 11 A.M.

Kate & Mick Abbey, Haroldstown. Joe & Maggie Bolger, Mill Street. Bernard Flynn & deceased family members, The Course. Michael & Elizabeth Dowling, late of Graiguecullen, Carlow.

MASSES FOR SATURDAY 3RD FEBRUARY, 7.30 P.M.

FIRST ANNIVERSARY: Maureen Doyle, 35 Graigowen.

E.J. Foley, Shillelagh Grove. Peter Byrne, Dublin Road and his brother Harry, Rathvilly. Arthur & Catherine Murphy, Ouragh. Jim Gorman and deceased family members, Dublin Road. Mary Doran, 3 Pairc Mhuire and The Hayden family, Tankardstown. Mary O'Brien, Clane, Co. Kildare. Molly & Billy Maher and deceased family members, 9 Castledermot Road.

MASSES FOR SUNDAY 4TH FEBRUARY, 11 A.M.

Padraig Cunnane, Shillelagh Grove. Mike Holden and his parents Elizabeth and James, Ouragh.

1st February, 2023: St. Brigid's Day. Feast of St Brigid, Secondary Patron of Ireland - Patroness of the Diocese of Kildare and Leighlin. Mass on Thursday at 9.30 a.m. in Tullow Church.

2nd February: Feast of the Presentation of Our Lord (Candlemas Day). Candles will be blessed on Friday at the 9.30 a.m. Mass.

3rd February: Feast of St. Blaise with blessing of throats on Saturday after the 7.30 p.m. Mass.

Training for Eucharistic Minister of Holy Communion.

This will take place from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday February 10th in the Cathedral Parish Centre. Training will be led by Julie Kavanagh and Fr. Tom O'Byrne. To help with costs, participants are invited to bring a packed lunch. Tea and coffee will be provided. Contact Tullow Parish Centre on 059 9151277.

You are invited to join Bishop Denis Nulty for a diocesan celebration of

Evening Prayer on the Feast of St. Brigid.

with Fr. Liam Lawton and the diocesan choir.

Marking the beginning of a year commemorating St. Brigid and her legacy 1500 years after her death.

Cathedral of the Assumption, Carlow 1st February at 7.30 p.m.

Welcoming the relic of St. Brigid

As we prepare to celebrate the life of St. Brigid on February `1st and on this, the 1500th anniversary of her death, the Brigidine Sisters from their Convent in Tullow are very generously loaning their relic of St. Brigid to Kildare Parish for the year.

The relic will be housed in a specially designed shrine in St. Brigid's Church, Kildare. The shrine will be unveiled and Mass will be celebrated in honour of St. Brigid and the generosity of the Brigidine Sisters on Sunday 28th January at 11 a.m. in Kildare. This is seen very much as a home-coming for St. Brigid and all are most welcome to attend.

Envisioning a Future: A Brigidine Gathering - On Brigid's Feast Day, approximately 30 Brigidine elders will be escorted by Bishop Denis Nulty to Teach Bhride (Brigid's House) in Tullow to celebrate Brigid's feast day. All are welcome to join Tom Butler who will lead a talk and reflection on the world today and changes that we will experience in the coming years. No charge, donations welcome. For information and to book your place, contact Tom on hello@astraea.net or 086 8179238.

2.30 p.m., Thursday 1st February, Teach Bhride, Chapel Lane, Tullow, Carlow, R93W447.

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