St. Columba's National School, Tullow <u>Christmas Tractor Run</u> on Sunday 22nd December at 5 p.m. Parking and Registration from 3 p.m. Children's Tractor Run starting at 3 p.m. (bring your own Tractor). Both leaving from Caldbeck's Farm R93DY71.

<u>Community Carol Service</u> on Sunday 22nd December at 7.30 p.m. in St. Columba's Church, Tullow. Special Guests: Tullow Singers. Celebrate the spirit of Christmas with our Carol Service. Join family and friends and enjoy the timeless carols that echo the joy of the Season.

Parish Envelopes 2025

We would appreciate it if Distributors could collect their envelopes for distribution at the Parish Office. Thank you to all Distributors for your help.

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War Horse – The Musical: Thursday 30th January, 2.30 p.m.

Bord Gáis Energy Theatre, Dublin. Departing: Rathoe Village at 10.45am, Ballon Village at 11.00am and Askea Car Park at 11.20 a.m. Tickets €50.00 each Includes Entry to Show & Bus Fare. Bookings: Ann 087 9159695 or Sheila 087 6549427. Limited Number of Tickets Available. Refunds not possible due to non attendance.

Morgan's Medical Hall, The Square, Tullow will be open today Sunday 22nd December from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

PARISH OFFICE, TULLOW

The Parish Office will close at 5 p.m. on Monday 23rd December and re-open on Thursday 2nd January at 9 a.m.

Develop Tullow Association would like to wish all residents of Tullow and their extended families a very Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year. We extend our heartfelt thanks for your incredible support and contributions throughout the year to DTA and its sub-committees—Tullow Tidy Towns, the St. Patrick's Day Parade, and Tullow Culture Night.

We look forward to 2025 and the exciting events we have planned for our wonderful community.

TULLOW, GRANGE & ARDATTIN PARISH NEWSI FTTER

22nd December, 2024Fourth Sunday of Advent

29th December, 2024 The Holy Family of Jesus Mary and Joseph

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Happy Christmas

Time flies. It's Christmas again. Most of us have been busy, perhaps stressed, for the last few weeks. Children have been counting the days and enjoying the excitement.

Young parents are reminded of their own child-hood on seeing the joy of their children. Families, recently bereaved, pray for the strength to "get over the few days". Christmas is a rich and complex time. We feel its joy but also its sadness.

The infant in the Crib gives us a glimpse of the gentleness and humanity of God. Jesus meets us in our joys and sorrows - in our times of darkness and light.

"The Word became Flesh
And dwelt among us
And we have seen his glory
The glory that is his
As the only Son of God".

May this Christmas open our eyes to our own glory-that we too are children of God. May our families, friends, neighbours, visitors, and refugees be blessed with everything that comes from God.

May the New Year open up new possibilities for each one of us and for the Parish.

May the God of Peace bless you always. Have a lovely Christmas.

Fr. Brian Maguire P.P.

MASSES FOR SATURDAY 21ST DECEMBER, 7.30 P.M.

FIRST ANNIVERSARY: Michael Lawlor, Shillelagh Road.

Lar & Christopher Brophy, Nurney. James, Mary, Seamus & Joe Brophy, Kilnock, Ballon. Mick & Maureen Brophy, Kilcoole, Rathoe. Tony & Nellie Maher, 20 Pairc Mhuire. John & Catherine Maher and deceased family members, 8 Pairc Mhuire. Delia & Joe Maher, 8 Pairc Mhuire. Chris & Eileen Maher, 67 Pairc Mhuire. Michael & Mary Elliott and deceased family members, Hacketstown. Peter McCann, Armagh. Hannah Nolan, Rathoe. Paddy Rooney, Dublin Road. Jim & Kathleen Maher, late of Pairc Mhuire. May Fitzgerald, Crosslow. Myles & Eileen O'Keeffe and grandson Kevin, Station Road. Marie & Peter Smithers, Mill Street. Seamus Tobin, Mill Street. Kathleen McEvoy, Ballymurphy. Seamus Coady, Mill Street. Dr. Pat and Veronica Aylmer and Vera Longe, Carlow. Mary Kealy, Rathglass.

MASSES FOR SATURDAY 28TH DECEMBER, 7.30 P.M.

FIRST ANNIVERSARY: Mary McDonagh, Ballymurphy.

Kathleen O'Brien and deceased family members, Tullowland. Edward Farrell Senior, Pairc Mhuire. Pat Sutton, Rath, Tullow. James (Jimmy) Smithers and also his parents John and Josephine Smithers, Myshall. Patricia Brien, 42 Hillbrook Estate. Christine Norris, 8 Courtview. Richard & Ann Farrell, Leaney, Ardattin.

MASSES FOR SUNDAY 29TH DECEMBER, 11 A.M.

Sylvia Coughlan, 8 Courtlawns.

MASSES FOR SUNDAY 29TH DECEMBER, 9 A.M. GRANGE

Christy Shannon, Tintean Phadraig, Tullow.

MASSES FOR SATURDAY 4TH JANUARY, 7.30 P.M.

FIRST ANNIVERSARY: Jim Byrne, Hawkins Lane.

Michael Abbey, Ardoyne and his parents Jack and Mary and Kitty Abbey. Sean Hade, 76 Pairc Mhuire. Tom Lyons, 2 Templeowen and Betty McHutcheon and deceased family members. Tom & Elsie McNabb, Church Street and also Sally & May McNabb, Church Street. Nora & Michael McLoughlin, Barrack Street. Paddy Byrne, 12 Dublin Road. Martin Byrne, Wales. Nell Canavan, late of Monacurragh and Tullow.

Parish Collections

Envelope Collection: €1,648. **Basket Collection**: €788. Many thanks.

CHRISTMAS MASSES 2024

Christmas Eve: Tullow: 5 p.m. and 8 p.m.

Christmas Day: Grange: 9.00 a.m.

Ardattin: 10.00 a.m.

Tullow: 11.00 a.m.



Christmas Collection for The Clergy Fund

Please use your special envelope from your envelope box or from your seat in the church. Thank you sincerely for your support throughout the year.

For people without boxes of envelopes we have provided special envelopes which are on the seats.

Your generosity is much appreciated.

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MASSES FOR THE NEXT TWO WEEKS

Monday 23rd December: 9.30 a.m.

Tuesday 24th December: 5 p.m. and 8 p.m.

Wednesday 25th December: Grange: 9 a.m. Ardattin: 10 a.m. and Tullow 11 a.m.

Thursday 26th December: 11.00 a.m. Friday 27th December: 11.00 a.m. Saturday 28th December: 7.30 p.m.

Sunday 29th December: Grange 9 a.m. Ardattin: 10 a.m. and Tullow 11 a.m.

Monday 30th December: 9.30 a.m.

Tuesday 31st December, Wednesday 1st January, Thursday 2nd January and Friday

3rd January: Service of The Word and Holy Communion.

Saturday 4th January: 7.30 p.m.

Sunday 5th January: Grange 9 a.m., Ardattin 10 a.m. and Tullow 11.00 a.m.

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