

**TULLOW DAY CARE CENTRE SHOP** If you would like to donate any unwanted gifts, bric-a-brac or clothes we would be delighted to receive them.

**Slaney Valley Cycling Club** based in Tullow caters for cyclists of all fitness levels aged 18 plus. We provide weekly training spins every Sunday throughout the year and Mid Week Evening spins during the summer months. Our most recent development is our facility providing indoor Smart turbo training sessions during the winter months. We have all weathers covered! New members welcome, enquiries to slaneyvalleycc@gmail.com

**“ 40th Tullow St. Patrick’s Day Parade – Entries Now Open!**

Develop Tullow Association invites companies, groups, clubs, and organizations of all sizes to take part in the **40th Tullow St. Patrick’s Day Parade**, celebrating the theme **“40 Shades of Green.”** Entry is **free**, with special prizes on the day, including the **Simon Ronan Perpetual Cup**, cash prizes, and a **Best Window Display** being judged by residents of SignaCare Killerig. Get creative, go all out with your greens, and let’s make this the most vibrant parade yet! To enter, text **089 435 8407** or DM us on social media – and don’t forget to send details for our **celebrity MC** to announce from the viewing stand!”

**Zumba Class Teacher** needed to lead a class one morning per week in Tullow. Contact Tullow Parish on 059 9151277.

**Office Administrator.**

Accord Catholic Marriage Care Service CLG is an agency of the Catholic Church in Ireland. It provides Sacramental Marriage Preparation Courses, Couples and Relationship Counselling. We are seeking to employ an Office Administrator (30 hours per week) for our Carlow Centre. The role involves dealing with enquiries and administrative work.

Please email C.V. (including references) together with a covering letter to Susan Shorten, Regional Director, sshorten@accord.ie. Closing Date for applications is Thursday 27th February, 2025.

**Pilgrimage to Medjugorje**

Fully escorted trip: 12th - 19th April, 2025. €785.  
Contact Josie Duffy on 087 2543235 for more information.

**TULLOW, GRANGE  
& ARDATTIN  
PARISH NEWSLETTER**

**16th February, 2025**  
**Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**PARISH CONTACTS**

**Parish Office:** 059 9151277.  
**Email:** tullowparish@outlook.com  
**Fr. Brian Maguire:** 059 9181253.  
**Mass Times:** Monday: 2.30 p.m.  
Wednesday and Friday at 9.30 a.m.  
**Service of the Word and Holy Communion:** Tuesday and Thursday at 9.30 a.m.

**Thank you so much**

In recent years we have become accustomed at Funeral Masses to the Reading from Ecclesiastes.

*“there is a time for every occupation under heaven:  
a time to be born, a time to die  
a time to gather, a time to scatter  
a time for work, a time for rest  
and we could add: “a time for greeting and a time  
to say good-bye”*

And so, as I take time for rest and a sabbatical, I say good-bye. The first time I said ‘good-bye’ was in July 1988 at mass celebrated in the Captain Murphy Memorial Hall, as the Church was closed for renovation. Thirty seven years later I say good-bye again and thank you for your kindness, hospitality, loyalty, faith and patience.

We have journeyed together through Covid and through a time of great change in society and the Church. I greatly admired your resilience and fidelity despite the discouragement and lack of support all around us.

I wish our new Parish Priest, Fr. Gerard Ahern every blessing in his ministry here. I know that you will make him feel at home and support him in the years ahead. Tullow Parish has been a significant part of my life journey. I have met wonderful people and I will always hold you in my heart and prayers.

Le gach dea-ghuí

**R.I.P.** Michael Sinnott, Coolroe, Ardattin and Sr. Philomena Browne, Brigidine Convent, Tullow who died recently.

**MASSES FOR SATURDAY 15TH FEBRUARY, 7.30 P.M.**

Joseph Norris, 8 Courtview. Jim Roche, 49 Hillbrook Estate. Eddie Byrne, Laburnum Lodge. Christopher, Mary and Pat Quigley and deceased family members, formerly of Dublin Road. John & Elizabeth Maxwell and deceased family members. The Wheeler family, Crosslow. The Cullen family, Dublin Road. Siobhan Mernagh, 6 Upper Station Road. Anthony Gahan, Crosslow and also his sister Chrissy, Askea Lawns, Carlow. Christy and Brid Doyle, 35 St. Austins Terrace. Sadie and Paddy Brennan and baby Jason, 3 Hawkins Street.

**FIRST ANNIVERSARY:** Mary Ann Roche, Ballynoe, Ardattin today Sunday 16th February at 10 a.m. in Ardattin Church.

**MASSES FOR SUNDAY 16TH FEBRUARY, 11 A.M.**

Mary Carroll, Hawthorn Drive. Matt Doyle, St. Olivers Villas and his parents May and Larry and his uncle Jim Greene and deceased family members. Kathleen Hoxey, Glen of Imaal.

**MASSES FOR SATURDAY 22ND FEBRUARY, 7.30 P.M.**

Kathleen & Peter Rooney, 56 Dublin Road. Patrick & Elizabeth Deacon and deceased family members, Rathglass. Arthur & Catherine Murphy, Ouragh. John (Jack) Keogh, The Mullawn. Robert Kelly, U.S.A. Dan Nolan, Rath East. James & Mary Sheppard, Ouragh. Kathleen & Edward O'Grady, Knocklow. May & Jack Lane, Tullowhill.

**FIRST ANNIVERSARY:** Paul Maher, Ballynoe next Sunday 23rd February at 10 a.m. in Ardattin Church.

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**FIRST ANNIVERSARY:** Sheila Brennan, Kill.

**ANNIVERSARY:** Ada Cummins, Hillbrook Estate.

**FAREWELL MASS:** Today Sunday's 11 a.m. Mass (16th February) will be Fr. Brian's final mass with us. It's an opportunity for all of us to thank god for the blessings of recent years and to ask for His gifts of renewal for the future. There will be a cup of tea in the Parish Centre after Mass. All are welcome.

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**Journeying in Hope Through Lent**

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Lenten Retreat**

**Morning of Prayer and Reflection in Teach Bhríde, Tullow.**

Saturday march 8th, 2025. 10 a.m. - Finishing with lunch at 1 p.m.

Facilitators: Brigidine Sisters - Teresa Phelan and Teresa Carter.

RSVP: Call 089 9705761 or 083 3928708 by Thursday March 6th.

€15 fee - includes lunch.

**Taking Action for Whole Health and Wellbeing** - what we can do to support our health and wellbeing and improve our lifestyle.

Monday 3rd March from 6.30 - 8.30 p.m. in Forward Steps

Resource Centre for 6 weeks. Contact reception on 059 9152776. Open to everybody but spaces are limited.

**Grants available to Childminders**

The Childminding Development Grant of up to €1,000 is currently available to registered and unregistered Childminders caring for children in the Childminder's home, including those planning to open a childminding business in 2025. It aims to assist Childminders to enhance the safety and quality of their childminding service through the purchase of toys, safety equipment, childcare equipment and IT equipment. For further information or to receive an application form, please contact Eilish/Jean at Carlow CCC on 059 9140244 or email [eilish@carlowccc.ie](mailto:eilish@carlowccc.ie). Grant applications close on Friday, 4<sup>th</sup> April.

**There will be a Card Game of 25's in Griffin's Lounge  
on Friday 28th February at 8 p.m. All welcome.**

**Fierce Crafty:** Join our over 60's Social Craft Group for all skill levels every Wednesday from 2 - 4 p.m. Call Gemma on 083 1489587 or just drop into Forward Steps Resource Centre.

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

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