

WE REMEMBER THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

RIP: Mick Murphy, Ouragh who died recently.

MASSES FOR SATURDAY 17TH JANUARY, 7.30 P.M.

Shane O'Neill, Hillbrook Estate. Josie Nolan, Tankardstown. Frank Bailey Senior, Ballymurphy. M.J. & Mary Holden, Ouragh. The Hade family, Dublin Road. Jack Archibald, Carlow Road and his mother Elizabeth.

MASSES FOR SUNDAY 18TH JANUARY, 11 A.M.

P.J. Gahan, Crosslow. Arthur Tompson, Castledermot Road. Kathleen Kealy, Killamaster. Hilary Doherty, Park Gate.

MASSES FOR SATURDAY 24TH JANUARY, 7.30 P.M.

FIRST ANNIVERSARY: Carmel Round, Barrack Street.

MONTHS MIND: Bridget Doran, Ouragh.

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Billy O'Neill and son Eddie, Ballymurphy. Molly & Billy Maher and deceased family members, Castledermot Road. Kathleen & John Kavanagh, Kill. P. Kavanagh, Templeowen. Pat Murphy, Rathbawn and deceased family members. John (Johnny) Shannon, Ardristan. Arthur & Catherine Murphy, Ouragh. Mary Lucas, Ballymurphy Road.

MASSES FOR SUNDAY 25TH JANUARY, 11 A.M.

Martha & Tom Dawson, Rathbawn and son Edward.

John William Jones, 43 St. Austins Terrace.

MONTHS MIND:

T.J. Murphy, Ardattin next Sunday 25th January at 10a.m. in Ardattin Church.



Tea/Coffee Morning
in Tullow Parish Community Centre
today Sunday 18th January after 11am
Mass. All are welcome to come along.



TULLOW, GRANGE & ARDATTIN PARISH NEWSLETTER

18th January 2026
Second Sunday
in Ordinary Time

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PLEASE NOTE CHANGES THIS WEEK

Mass Times: Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday at 9.30 am

Service of the Word & Holy Communion: Thursday and Friday at 9.30 a.m.



Catholic Schools Week 18th to 24th January 2026

'Catholic Schools – Normal Lives, Called to Holiness'

"Holiness does not mean performing extraordinary things, but doing ordinary things with love and faith." — Pope Francis on St Carlo Acutis

Catholic Schools Week 2026 celebrates the extraordinary call to holiness in the midst of ordinary life. Inspired by Pope Francis's reflection on St Carlo Acutis this year's theme invites pupils, teachers, families, and parishes to explore the call to holiness as something both universal and accessible. Holiness is not for a few, but for all; not reserved for religious professionals or mystics, but for every student, teacher, parent, (& grandparent) living each day in friendship with Jesus Christ. Catholic schools exist to form individuals who know that their lives have a purpose and a calling. This year's theme, "Normal Lives, Called to Holiness," resonates with the central conviction that education is a path not only to knowledge and maturity but to sainthood. "Each of us is called to be holy by living our lives with love and by bearing witness in everything we do."

Key Theme: Everyday Holiness

This theme offers a meaningful opportunity to speak to children and young people about how God calls each of us to holiness in the concrete circumstances of daily life. As Pope Leo XIV recently affirmed: *"The saints show us that holiness is not about escape from the world, but deep engagement with it in the Spirit of Christ."*

Daily Theme: Each day of the week reflects a different dimension of our call to holiness.

Monday: Called to Holiness through Prayer

Holiness begins with a relationship with God. Prayer is the lifeblood of that relationship—from silent moments to joyful praise, from formal prayers to personal words shared with Jesus.

Tuesday: Called to Holiness through Love and Friendship

Holiness is lived in love of neighbour, in kindness, forgiveness, and friendship. Inspired by the words of Jesus, "Love one another as I have loved you" (John 15:12).

Wednesday: Called to Holiness in Family Life – Grandparents' Day

A cherished tradition, this day honours the vital role grandparents and elders play in passing on the faith and in showing how holiness can be lived over a lifetime.

Thursday: Called to Holiness through Service and Courage

Children will explore how self-giving love & courage in the face of challenges form part of holiness

Friday: Called to Holiness through Joy and Mission

Holiness is not grim but joyful! The final day focuses on the joy of the Gospel & how young people are called to be missionary disciples who share Christ through action and word in the world.

Children from both schools in Tullow will attend the 9.30am Mass on Wednesday 21st to celebrate Grandparents day. We invite all grandparents to join us that morning.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Tuesdays and Wednesdays 10am to 6pm.

PARISH COLLECTIONS W/E 17th/18th January

Envelope Collection: €1,253. Basket Collection: €781. Many thanks.

2026 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

The 2026 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity will take place from 18 to 25 January.

The theme this year is "One Body, One Spirit", based on Ephesians 4.



ALTAR SERVERS

It is some years now since we have had Altar Servers at Mass. We are hoping to re-introduce this ministry to boys and girls from 3rd class upwards. Please contact the Parish Office if you are interested in



St. Brigid's Crosses:

If anyone would like to help make St. Brigid's Crosses please contact the Parish Office on 059 9151277.



PARISH ENVELOPES

We would appreciate if you have not already received your parish envelopes to please call to the Parish Office to collect them. We would also be glad to hear from anyone willing to help with distributing envelopes to a number of areas in the parish.

RECENT THEFT AT GRANGE CHURCH

It was discovered this week that the candle shrine money was stolen between Sunday and Wednesday. An attempt was also made to open the tabernacle, causing damage to the lock and door. We would ask people in the area to be vigilant and report any suspicious activity to the Gardai.



PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORJE 2026

Wednesday 26th August to 2nd September 2026

Dublin to Medjugorje return. Half Board. Cost: €895
Spiritual Director: Fr. Ger Ahern. For more info contact:

Parish Office 059 9151277 or 087 629 8881

€50 discount if deposit paid before 31st January.

Yoga for All Levels: Welcome to the new year! Are you aiming to improve your overall health, be stronger and more flexible, manage your stress better and learn relaxation techniques? Yoga is a practice that does all of this. Tullow yoga begins on Tuesday January 20th, Teach Bhríde, Tullow, at 7pm. 9 week term, €99. More booking options at pambutleyoga.com/shop, or contact 086 089 1141.

LEARN TO DANCE, THE EASY WAY!

Dancing with Declan in Murphy Memorial Hall, Barrack Street, Tullow (R93 NY97). We specialise in Jive, Line Dancing and all Social Dances. Beginners Classes from 7 to 9 p.m. starting on Friday 16th January. €10 per class. U18's : €5. Over 80's are free. Phone 085 7089128.

SCOIL MHUIRE LOURDES

We are still accepting enrolments for the coming year. Enrolments Forms are available on our website smiltullow.ie or by calling into the school during school hours.

Captain Murphy Memorial Hall

Times during the week available. The rates for the use of the hall are as follows: Up to 6pm: €20 per hour. After 6pm: €25 per hour. Heating is an additional €20 per hour. Bookings can be made by calling: (Nicola) 085 7150412.

St. Anne's LGFA: St. Annes's will hold its annual Table Quiz on 31st January at 8 p.m. €40 per team of 4. in Walshes Pub, Killerg. This quiz proves to be a great night of fun and friendly competition, all to raise much need funds for the local ladies football club. To register your team, please contact Meghan on 085 7451035.

THANK YOU!

The organising group of the recently held Car and Tractor run in Ardattin would like to thank everyone that took part in the run, gave in raffle prizes and helped out on the day. €1,310 was raised and handed over to Tullow Day Care Centre.

STORIES WITH MIRIAM O'CALLAGHAN: Is a special charity event held in memory of Sharon Brennan, in The Woodford Dolmen Hotel on January 21st from 7.30 - 10.30pm. Organised by her family and friends to raise vital funds for Pieta. Hosted by Miriam O'Callaghan, with Jarlath Burns, Ronan Maher, Gavin White, Al Porter and live music from Robert Grace and Ali O'Neill. Tickets available in Killeshin Stores, Woodford Dolmen Hotel and on Eventbrite.ie with all proceeds to Pieta.

"Naomh Brid Gaelteacht Anios"

Irish Conversation Group in Teach Bhríde every Tuesday at 11am.