

WE REMEMBER THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

RIP: Patrick Mahon, formerly of St. Austins (internment of ashes after 11am Mass today in St. Patrick's Cemetery).
Anne O'Dwyer, Ouragh and formerly of Clonmore who died recently.

MASSES FOR SATURDAY 23RD MAY, 7.30 P.M.

FIRST ANNIVERSARY: Moll (Mary) Hickey, Tullowland.
ANNIVERSARIES: Joe Gahan & Mary Brophy and deceased family members, Abbey Street. Elizabeth & William Ryan, Butlersgrange. Dan & Mary Byrne, Clonmore. Rosemary & Michael O'Brien, Castlemore. John Shannon, 17 Hillbrook Estate. Brigid Byrne (nee Cosgrove) late of Templeowen.

MASSES ON SUNDAY 24TH MAY, 9 A.M. IN GRANGE CHURCH

MONTHS MIND: Stephanie Shannon, Slaneyquarter.
ANNIVERSARY: Pat Butler, Rathbawn.



MASSES FOR SUNDAY 24TH MAY, 11.00 A.M.

MONTHS MIND: Brian Bernie, Phelim Wood.
ANNIVERSARIES: Mary Dunne, Fr. Murphy Terrace. Daniel Bolger, Templeowen. Elizabeth & Alfred Smith and deceased family members, Crosslow. Jane & Edward O'Neill and sons James and Eamon, Paulville.

MASSES FOR SATURDAY 30TH MAY, 7.30 P.M.

FIRST ANNIVERSARY: Noel Hurley, 7 St. Patrick's Park.
ANNIVERSARIES: John & Mary Whelan, Elmgrove. Margaret & John Shiel, Kill. Brigid & William O'Leary, Ballymurphy Road and Courtlawns. William Shannon & deceased family members, Grangeford. Esther & Michael Murphy, 4 Courtview and formerly of Thomas Traynor Road. Oliver and Rachel McCarthy, 6 Courtlawns. Jimmie Keating, Courtlawns.

MASSES FOR SUNDAY 31ST MAY, 11 a.m.

MONTHS MIND: Wieslaw Budzyk, Athy and Tullow.
ANNIVERSARIES: Baby Killian Kelly, Knocknatubrid. John Jones, his daughter Kim and parents and grandparents, Tullow and Poland.



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

TULLOW, GRANGE & ARDATTIN PARISH NEWSLETTER

24th May 2026
Feast of Pentecost



PARISH CONTACTS

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Registered Charity No: 20015848

Mass Times: Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 9.30 a.m.

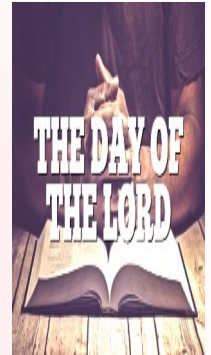
Service of the Word & Holy Communion: Tuesday and Thursday at 9.30 a.m.

Confessions: Saturday 7pm or by request

Why Sunday Matters

SUNDAY MASS CREATES & CELEBRATES COMMUNION: AN EXCERPT FROM THE LETTER OF THE IRISH BISHOPS

'Sunday Mass is a vital encounter with the risen Lord, the One who gives our lives ultimate meaning and purpose. Through our baptism we bear the name 'Christian'. This identity shapes who we are and calls us to follow Jesus, who is 'the way, the truth, and the life' (Jn 14:6). Through the celebration of Sunday Mass, we experience a life-giving encounter and **communion** with Christ. Just as the two disciples encountered Jesus on the road to Emmaus and recognised Him in the breaking of the bread (Luke 24:35), so too we meet Him in the Eucharist.



Our identity as Christians is not solitary but shared. On Sundays, we gather not only as individuals but as the Church; the Body of Christ. In the celebration of the Eucharist, we affirm our communion with one another and with Christ. Pope Saint John Paul II emphasised that 'none is as vital or as community-forming as the Sunday celebration of the Lord's day and His Eucharist.' This gathering creates a bond of unity, solidarity, and love, as we come together to worship as one body, with one voice, in praise of God.'

What does it mean for you to have a real encounter with Jesus in Mass? What does it mean for you to encounter Jesus with others?

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See <https://www.kandle.ie/resources/liturgy-pastoral/> for more on the importance of Sunday and the Sunday Mass. Visit the Kandle Facebook page and/or X account to see this weekend's highlighted material.

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ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
Tuesdays and Wednesdays 10am to 6pm in Parish Church.

PARISH COLLECTIONS W/E 2nd/3rd May.
Envelope Collection: €2,035. Basket Collection: €1,000. Many thanks.

The Rosary will be recited at the Statue of Our Lady, Tullow every Sunday at 3pm for the month of May.

KILDARE AND LEIGHLIN PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK
Sunday 7th June led by Bishop Denis Nulty

We would like to see as many people as possible join with others from around the diocese for this pilgrimage which takes place every second year.

Fare: €35. To book a seat on the bus please contact the Parish Office 9151277 or Duffy Buses 087 2543235.



TRAINING FOR PARISH BAPTISM PREPARATION TEAMS

We are looking for men and women willing to train as Baptism Preparation ministers. Their role would be to facilitate meetings for parents requesting baptism for their children and to attend baptisms. These ministers would operate as a team with the work being divided between them which would reduce the number of meetings they may have to organise.

Training for new baptism teams, and a refresher for existing teams and members, takes place on **Saturday June 13 in Solas Bhríde from 10 am-4 pm.** Please contact Fr. Ger or the Parish Office if interested.

HOLY COMMUNION TO THE SICK & HOUSEBOUND

If you or someone known to you is housebound and would like to receive Holy Communion monthly please contact Fr. Ger or the Parish Office.



Pray for Life Novena

The Pray for Life Novena is an invitation to join thousands of people across Ireland to pray for the protection of human life, from Saturday 23rd to Sunday 31st May. Each day's intention is accompanied by a short reflection and suggested actions to help build a culture of life in Ireland. Visit www.prayforlife.ie for the daily novena prayers and to sign up for daily reminders. The prayers will also be posted on [facebook.com/PrayforLifeNovena](https://www.facebook.com/PrayforLifeNovena) and @prayforlifenovena on Instagram. This is an initiative of the Council for Life of the Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference.

41st All Ireland Rosary Rally

Saturday 6th June Knock Shrine. Visit www.allirelandrosaryrally.com for details.

Annual Golf Classic

in aid of Tullow Day Care Centre Mount Wolseley Hotel, Golf and Country Club on Friday 12th June. Time Sheet 9am – 4pm
Team of 4: €250 including meal. Contact Pdraig Murphy: 087 6399363.



Tullow Tops Auditions



Do you like to sing, dance, act, tell jokes or entertain? Tullow Tops is returning and organisers are looking for local talent of all ages to take part in this year's show. Auditions will take place on Thursday May 28th at 8pm in Captain Murphy Memorial Hall, Tullow. Come along, give it a go and be part of a fun filled community night of laughter, nostalgia and entertainment. For more information or to enter, contact 089 4358407 or send a DM on social media.

St Catherine's Community Services Centre – Seniors Alert Scheme

St Catherine's Community Services Centre is accepting applications for the Senior Alert Scheme, which provides socially monitored personal alarms and pendants for older people. The scheme is funded by the Department of Rural & Community Development and administered by Pobal. Applicants must be **aged 65 or over**. For further details or application forms, contact: **Claire Murphy, Older Persons Services Coordinator** Phone: 059 9138700 Email: opmanager@catherines.ie

Local Enterprise Office—Lunch & Learn Roadshow

Offering information and support to local businesses in the Tullow area on Wednesday 27th May 2026 from 12.30pm to 2pm in The Tara Arms, Church Street. This is a Free event and will provide guidance on grants and funding supports, age friendly business supports, shop local shop Carlow, Economic Development Programmes and training and development programmes to support business growth in County Carlow. For more information and registration contact www.localenterprise.ie

Tullow Active Retirement Meeting for members will be held on Tuesday 2nd June in the Parish Centre, Tullow at 2pm. Guest Speaker will address the group "All About You": a talk on Wellbeing.



Coffee Morning, Cake Sale and Raffle

Tullow Parish Centre on Friday 29th May from 10am to 12 noon in aid of Vocations Society of St. Joseph (formerly Young Priests Society). Your support would be very much appreciated.

"Naomh Bríd Gaelteacht Aníos"

Tuesday 26th May is the last session of the Irish Conversation Group in Teach Bhríde. Classes will resume on 1st August.