

Carlow County Council: Fire & Rescue Service: Recruitment Information Evening: Interested in Being a Retained/on call FIREFIGHTER? Tullow Fire Brigade Information evening on Thursday 30th January at 7.30 p.m. in Tullow Fire Station. Find out more about the role of today's Retained Firefighters, the calls they attend and the equipment they use. Details of employment and application forms available via www.carlow.ie

TULLOW BINGO

Bingo every Thursday night at 8.30 p.m. in Murphy Memorial Hall. **Hickson's Supervalu Jackpot** next week is €620.

Trip to Clare: Falls Hotel, Ennistymon, 16th June for 3 night and 4 days. Contact Joe on 086 3504351. The first social evening and meeting of Tullow Young at Heart Social Club will be held on 8th February at 8 p.m. in J.J.s Lounge.

Tullow Poetry Appreciation Group

will meet again on Tuesday 28th January at 8 p.m. in Teach Bhride to chat informally about the art of the spoken word. Bring your favourite poem and bring a friend. All welcome.

Rusty Racquets: Tullow Tennis Club

Free 4 week instruction course for the over 50s. Mondays 12 –1. Improve your health and wellbeing. Equipment provided. Places are limited. Contact the club on 085 8780748 for details. Sport Ireland and Age and Opportunity Initiative.

CHAIR YOGA: 6 WEEK COURSE

Starting on Wednesday 15th January in Tullow Parish Centre at 11.30 a.m. Phone Maria on 087 6421820.

Maths Grinds available. Phone 089 7077669.

FOR SALE: Whirlpool 55cm 50/70 Free Standing Fridge Freezer for sale. Bought new 12 months ago for €350, will sell for €250. Phone 086 8359265 for more information.

THANK YOU: Tullow Pioneer Association wish to thank the parishioners of Tullow, Grange and Ardattin for their generous contribution of €342 to the P.T.A.A. National Collection held on 4th and 5th January. The funds have been forwarded to the National headquarters of the P.T.A.A. to assist in the promotion of temperance in Ireland.

Tullow Community School: Supervised Saturday morning study will be available to all 3rd, 5th and 6th year students from January to May 2020. Application forms are available from school office.

HAUS (new fitness class). Moves with Michaela Coleman in Tullow Tennis Club at 7.30 p.m. Wednesday nights. Phone 085 7829787.

MICHAEL ENGLISH IN CONCERT

in Church of the Most Holy Rosary, Tullow
on Wednesday 19th August, 2020 at 8 p.m.

Proceeds in aid of Tullow Parish.

Tickets are €25 and are now on sale from The Parish Office, Tullow.

TULLOW, GRANGE AND ARDATTIN PARISH NEWSLETTER

26th January, 2020

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time.

Catholic Schools week 26th January -2nd February 2020

The theme of our first reading and of the Psalm today is that of Light.

“The people have seen a great light.” And “The Lord is my light and my help.”

Education is associated with light. The word “enlightened” - is to have an understanding of a problem or an issue. We understand that when people “Throw some light on a subject” or when we “see the light” that we have learned something.

Helen Keller (b. 1880), Alabama, USA was blind and deaf, having been afflicted at age of 19 months with an illness possibly scarlet fever. Her world was silent and dark until at the age of 6 she was sent a 20-year-old teacher named Anne Sullivan.

Helen, despite being blind understood the light of education :-

I was like a ship at sea in a dense fog before my education began, only I was without compass or sounding line, and no way of knowing how near the harbour was. “Light! Give me light!” was the wordless cry of my soul, and the light of love shone on me in that very hour.”

(Helen Keller)

We thank God for the wonderful educators who bring light in to the lives of our children today. We remember the religious orders founded in our parish - the Brigidine Sisters and Patrician Brothers, who dedicate their lives to bringing the light of education in to the lives of children all over the world.

ANNIVERSARY MASSES FOR SATURDAY 25TH JANUARY, 7.30 P.M.

PLEASE PRAY FOR Michael Hynes, 8 Barnfield Court, Tullow and Anthony Moylan, Monaghan and formerly of Pairc Mhuire, Tullow who died recently.

MONTHS MIND MASS for Mary O'Neill, Dublin Road on Saturday 25th January at 7.30 p.m. John Foley, The Square. Kathleen & John Kavanagh, Kill. Patrick Connolly, Bellwood Drive. John Shannon, Ardristan. Arthur & Catherine Murphy, Ouragh. James & Mary Sheppard, Ouragh. Brigid & William Shannon & deceased family members, Grangeford. Maureen & Kevin McGurgan, Bough, Rathvilly. Maureen & Brendan Healy, The Square. Rose & Patrick Kelly, Knocklow. Tomás Orbinski, 4 Bellwood Drive, Tullow. Jim Savage, The Square, Tullow. Martha & Thomas Dawson, Rathbawn.

FIRST ANNIVERSARY MASS for Billy O'Neill, Ballymurphy today Sunday 26th January at 11.00 a.m. in Tullow Church.

MONTHS MIND MASS for Jimmy Smithers, St. Patrick's Park today Sunday 26th January at 11.00 a.m. in Tullow Church.

MONTHS MIND MASS for Ann Farrell, Leaney, Ardattin today Sunday 26th January at 11.00 a.m. in Tullow Church.

ANNIVERSARY MASSES FOR SATURDAY 1ST FEBRUARY, 7.30 P.M.

FIRST ANNIVERSARY MASS for Michael Hayden, Tankardstown and his sister Mary Doran, 3 Pairc Mhuire whose anniversary occurs at this time.

Kathleen Harte, Ardristan. Mike Holden, Ouragh. Joe Nolan, Hillbrook Estate. Thomas McNabb, Church Street. Sally & May McNabb, Church Street. Pat Murphy & deceased family members, Rathbawn. Joseph & Brigid Healy, Deerpark. Jim Byrne, John Street. Mark Byrne, Willow Close.

MONTHS MIND MASS for Christy Shannon, Tintean Phadraig next Sunday 2nd February at 9.00 a.m. in Grange Church.

FIRST ANNIVERSARY MASS for Paddy Moore, Shillelagh Road next Sunday 2nd February at 10 a.m. in Ardattin Church.

Sr. Nuala Glynn from The Franciscan Missionaries of Mary will speak at all Masses this weekend 25th/26th January in Tullow Parish. There will be a collection after the Masses for their missionary work. Your generosity would be appreciated.

All Confirmation Candidates, accompanied by a parent/guardian are invited to attend **The Service of Light next Monday 27th January in Tullow Church at 7.30 p.m.**

Wednesday 29th January: We will be joined by the pupils of Scoil Mhuire Lourdes and Scoil Phadraig Naofa as we celebrate Grandparents Day! Refreshments after mass in Boys School.

Email: tullowparish@eircom.net

WE NEED YOUR HELP

Tullow Youth Project, Bishop's House.

We are looking for volunteers to help in our Youth Service. Get in touch to find out more. Phone 059 9152297 or Email cathy@carlowys.ie

The Conscious Path: Weekend retreat at Teach Bhride, Tullow, 7 - 9th February. Choose the life you want. Enjoy discussion reflection, movement and breath awareness to practice a more conscious approach to life. Residential and non-residential booking options. Contact Tom on 086 8179238 or Pam on 086 0891141 or email info@astraea.net

Diocesan Mission Teams: The diocese are hoping to recruit 2 volunteers from each parish to promote mission awareness in our parishes. There will be a gathering of all volunteers with Bishop Denis on February 14th in Newbridge Parish Centre at 7 p.m. If you would like to get involved please give your name to the Parish Office.

Friday 31st January: 9.30 a.m. Mass

We will be joined by the pupils of Scoil Mhuire Lourdes as we look forward to the Feast of St. Brigid on Saturday 1st February.

Items for the newsletter can be emailed to tullowparish@eircom.net

Prayer for our Earth

"All powerful God, you are present in the whole universe and in the smallest of your creatures. You embrace with your tenderness all that exists. Teach us to be filled with awe and contemplation, to recognise that we are profoundly united with every creature as we journey towards your infinite light".

Pope Francis

Tullow Parish Community Centre. Phone: 059 9151277.

CLONFERT: Day of Prayer for Healing will be held in Emmanuel House of Providence, Clonfert on **Saturday 1st February**. **Speakers:** Fr. Michael Kennedy and Eddie Stone. Bus departs Church Car Park at **8.00 a.m.** sharp via Killerig Cross, Clish Stores and bus stop Barrack Street, Carlow. Bring packed lunch. To book a seat phone Lily on 059 9151245.

Ministers of the Eucharist 18th/19th January

7.30 p.m. Teresa Kelly: Ronan Jackman
Brendan Dowling: Anita Doyle.
11.00 a.m. Phyllis Holden: Tim Healy
Ann Dowling: Veronica Ronan.

COLLECTIONS: Development: €1,650. Offertory: €796. Many thanks.

Parish Envelope Collection

As well as contributing through our parish envelopes and our weekly collections at mass, you can now make your donation to the parish by electronic banking. Follow the links on our Parish Web Page. Thank you.

Tullow Parade will be on the 17th March, 2020 at 2 p.m. beginning at the top of the town (Oakley Wood). Theme for this year is 'The Roaring 20's'. Meeting again in Forans on Tuesday 28th January at 8 p.m. All welcome.