

TULLOW BINGO

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

Chest of Drawers Needed for St. Vincent de Paul. Phone Vincent de Paul on 083 3478914.

A few more seats still left on the trip to Clare on 16th June. Contact Joe on 086 3504357.

Kildavin/Clonegal Drama Group will stage their rescheduled production of "Mother Knows Best" on this Sunday 16th February. Also on Saturday 22nd and Sunday 23rd February at 8 p.m. nightly. Make a note in your diary for this hilarious play, guaranteed to make you laugh heartily.

Garden Maintenance Service Available
Hedge cutting, spraying, fertiliser application and leaf blowing etc.
Call Tom Eustace (Jnr) on 085 1606489.

Childminder required for 3 mornings a week (Monday, Tuesday and Friday, 8 a.m. to 9.30 a.m.) and one afternoon a week (Monday 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.) to mind in their own home and bring to/collect from school. Must have full clean driving licence and excellent references. Contact 087 0514417.

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.

Cycling Couch to 50k

Slaney Valley Cycling club are kicking off their Couch to 50k cycling on Sunday 1st March at 8.30 a.m. from Aldi Car Park, Tullow. Contact Aine on 087 9618025 for further information.

Carlow Citizens Information

Centre provides a free and confidential information service to the people of County Carlow. We are currently recruiting volunteers. If you are interested in helping people and have some time to give, please contact us for further details. Phone Sarah Drea on 087 1935276. The closing date for receipt of applications is Friday 20th March.

Young at Heart Night will be held in J.J.s Bar on Saturday 29th February at 8.30 p.m. Great music on the night.

Tullow Area School Completion

Programme Homework Club is currently recruiting volunteers. If you would like to volunteer for one or two hours every week please contact Nicola on 91 80010. The homework club runs every Monday and Tuesday afternoon from 3 - 4 p.m. No experience necessary. Training will be provided.

Sewing Machine and Overlocker Repairs

Phone Christ Fawcett
on 086 1043351.

TULLOW, GRANGE AND ARDATTIN PARISH NEWSLETTER

23rd February, 2020

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time.

The lesson we have to learn from today's gospel is that we must, if we are truly Christian, forgive those who offend or injure us.

Once we allow ill will to take root in our hearts, it leads to deep resentment. The opposite of resentment is forgiveness, which is rooted in a positive attitude that seeks to understand other people's weaknesses and to excuse them. As Jesus said, "Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do" (Lk 23:34).

When we have been offended or let down, forgiveness is possible and desirable, but no one can say that it is easy. It requires, in fact, a ready and generous openness of each and all to understanding, to forbearance, to pardon, to reconciliation.

We must also seek forgiveness when we offend or injure.

Every day we do wrong to one another. We have to take stock of these mistakes. But what is asked of us is to heal right away the wounds that we cause. If we wait too long it becomes too difficult. And there is a simple secret for healing wounds and dispelling accusations. It is this; do not let the day end without apologising.

And Finally :-

If we accept that God's love is unconditional, that the Father's love cannot be bought or sold, then we will become capable of showing boundless love and forgiving others even if they have wronged us.

From the writings of Pope Francis **Amoris Laetitia** and **Reflections on the Our Father**

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

MONTHS MIND MASS for Charlie Hynes, 8 Barnfield Court.

Eddie Byrne, Laburnum Lodge. Kathleen & Peter Rooney, 56 Dublin Road. Bill & Josie O'Neill, Carrigslaney. James & Elizabeth Cullen & daughter Carmel, Pairc Mhuire. Tom & Olive Hickey, Courtlawns. James & Bridget Connors, Dublin Road. Benny, Mary & Lilly Connors, Dublin Road. John (Jack) Keogh, The Mullawn. Robert Kelly, U.S.A. Fidelma Dillon (nee O'Connor), Mill Street. Dan Nolan, Rath East. Elizabeth & Patrick Deegan & deceased family members, Rathglass.

ANNIVERSARY MASSES FOR SATURDAY 29TH FEBRUARY, 7.30 P.M.

MONTHS MIND MASS for Lily Smith, 22 The Links next Saturday 29th February at 7.30 p.m. in Tullow Church.

M.J. & Mary Holden, Ouragh. Mick & Elizabeth Dowling & sons Pat & Paul, Dublin Road. Vera & Arthur Byrne, Drumcondra and grandson Cathal Madden, Castlegrace. John & Mary Madden, Mill Street. William Browne, St. Austins Terrace. Matt Doyle, Hillbrook Estate.

MONTHS MIND MASS for Brenda Quigley, Rathvarrin next Sunday 1st March at 10 a.m. in Ardattin Church.

ASH WEDNESDAY: 26th February

Mass Times: Tullow - 9.30 a.m. and 7.30 p.m.

The Season of Lent: An invitation to look honestly at my life and to deepen my relationship with God.

Parish Confirmation Preparation: All candidates and their families are asked to attend the 7.30 p.m. Mass on Ash Wednesday 26th in Tullow.

Parish First Communion Preparation: All children and their families are asked to attend one of the following masses next Sunday 1st March:

Grange - 9.00 a.m.
Ardattin - 10.00 a.m.
Tullow - 11.00 a.m.

EASTER STATIONS: Please use the special envelope in your box next weekend (March 1st). (This is one of the annual collections for the Clergy Fund). Thank you for your support.

VOLUNTEER FORMS still available at church doors. You can return your completed form to the parish office. If you can give some of your time, it will be much appreciated. Thank you.

Email: tullowparish@eircom.net

Care of the Elderly Group need a few new volunteers. This group helps people over 65 obtain a personal alarm and also organises the January Party for elderly people. If you would like to get involved, please give your name at the Parish Office, 9151277.

Annual Prayer for Christian Unity in St. Patrick, Kiltegan,

Tuesday March 3rd at 8 p.m. All welcome.

**Ministers of the Eucharist
29th February/1st March**

7.30 p.m. Trish Maher: Teresa Kelly
Laura Kelly: Sr. Elizabeth
11.00 a.m. Phyllis Holden: Tim Healy
Ann Dowling: Veronica Ronan

Tullow Poetry Appreciation Group

will meet again on Tuesday 25th February at 8 p.m. in Teach Bhríde to chat informally about the art of the spoken word. Bring your favourite poem and bring a friend. All welcome.

Clothes Collection supporting Friends of Calcutta on Thursday 27th February. All items of wearable clothing, footwear etc most welcome and can be left at any stage that day at Tullow, Grange or Ardattin Church Car Park. Sadly we cannot accept pillows, duvets or cushions.

Irish Pilgrimage Trust

Lourdes Cycle 2020

Fundraising Table Quiz

on Friday 28th February at 8 p.m.
in The Tara Arms.
Followed by Ceol & Craic.

Line Dancing Class every Tuesday

morning in Tullow Parish Centre from 11 - 12.30 pm. Waltz, Jive, Foxtrot, Slow Waltz every Thursday evening from 8 - 9.30 p.m. Beginners and Advanced welcome.

COLLECTIONS: Development: €1,885. Offertory: €965. Many thanks.

Applications for enrolment for Junior Infants in **Scoil Phadraig Naofa** for the 2020/2021 school year will close on Friday 28th February. Application forms are available from the school secretary during school hours.

Ardattin Drama Group

presents

'Move Over Mrs Markham'

on 7th & 8th and 14th and 15th March
at 8 pm. in Ardattin Hall.

International Women's Day Tea Party will be held in Forward Steps Resource Centre on 10th March from 10.30 a.m.—1 p.m. Marie Keating Cancer Screening Unit, Launch of 'Time for Tea' Clock, Music, Tea Party Refreshments and Display of Women's Groups Crafts. All are welcome.

Care of the Earth

"The biggest obstacle we have today is that the stories we keep telling ourselves about progress - the future, wealth and economic growth - no longer work. We have to start telling different stories based on the truth of climate change, and using this to spark our imaginations about what a better society, in harmony with nature, looks like".

Lorna Gold (Trocaire).

Tullow Parish Community Centre. Phone: 059 9151277.