

The **Ducketts Grove** Country & Plant Fair will take place on Sunday 2nd May from 11 a.m.—5 p.m.

Multi Media Personal Development

A five week programme about developing the whole person through art, music, movement in a fun way. Venue: Teach Bhride. Starting on Tuesday 27th April from 7.30 p.m.—9.30 p.m. Cost €10 per night. Concession 5. Phone 9152465 or email teachbhride@eircom.net.

ACTIVE RETIREMENT

Trip to Malahide Castle on Thursday 6th May. On our return journey we will call at the large Ikea store. Bus will leave Church Car Park at 10.15 p.m. sharp. Contact Bernie in Forward Steps to make a booking. €15 per member and €20 for non members.

WOMEN'S MINI MARATHON—

Monday 7th June. Support Autism by registering for the Women's Mini Marathon, Dublin and raise much needed funds for the Saplings School for Children with Autism, Carlow. We will register you and provide a t-shirt free. Transportation to and from Dublin available. Contact Siobhan on 087 7474818 for details. Closing date is the 5th May.

CHILDREN'S ART CLASSES

in Tullow Parish Community Centre starting next Wednesday 28th April, 3.30—4.30 p.m. for 7 weeks. Cost: €55 (all art material supplied). Contact Sinead on 087 2384779. Sinead is a graduate of the National College of Art and Design.

Tullow Baton Twirlers went to their 1st competition in Co. Mayo last weekend and had great success with the twirlers bringing home many medals and trophies. The Twirlers meet every Wednesday evening in Tullow Community School at 6.30 p.m. New members welcome.

FOR SALE: 2 tickets to Westlife for Croke Park on Saturday 5th June. Facevalue. Contact 086 2445127.

D.J. available for all types of parties. Contact P.J. Ronan on 085 1644134.

LINEDANCING every Monday night in Murphy Memorial Hall, Tullow. Beginner Class 7.30 p.m., Improvers Class 8.45 p.m. Contact 087 9006575 or 087 2049547.

CARLOW COUNTY FINAL "Stars of our Bars"

Talent Competition
Sponsored by: VFI & Smithwick's in the Seven Oaks Hotel on Wednesday 28th April. Doors open at 8 p.m. Tickets: €10. Tickets available from J.J.'s Bar, Tara Arms, Hogan Stand and Ardattin Inn.

ACTIVE RETIREMENT

Trip to Coolattin next Thursday 29th April. Bus leaves Church Car Park at 2.45 p.m.

MUSIC AND DANCING in aid of Tullow Day Care and Tullow Active Retirement in Mt. Wolseley Country Club on Wednesday 28th April at 9 p.m. Featuring: Paschal Tomlinson, Laz Murphy, Sam Anderson, Mary Darcy, Owen O'Neill, Parkie Hurley and a host of entertainers. Donation: €10. Tickets available from Bernie in Forward Steps or Tullow Day Care Centre.

FOR SALE: 2 tickets to Rhianna on 26th May, 2010 at the O2. Contact 086 1573152 for further details.

WANTED: Irish Dancing Costume for Flanagan/Kirwan School of Dance to suit 7 year old. Contact 086 1947811.

TULLOW, GRANGE & ARDATTIN PARISH NEWSLETTER



25th April, 2010. Day of Prayer for Vocations.

THANK YOU TO BISHOP JIM

As you will be aware Pope Benedict XVI accepted Bishop Moriarty's resignation as bishop of our diocese on Thursday last. Bishop Moriarty served us as bishop for the past eight years in a kind, humble and exemplary manner. During his term he ministered untiringly, visited all our parishes on numerous occasions and introduced many pastoral initiatives such as Reach Out, African and Polish Chaplaincies and Faith Development Services. His work and commitment to young people was demonstrated in the interest he showed in publishing the 'Safeguarding Children Policy & Procedures' manual, in his participation in World Youth Days, his support for the Meitheal Programme and more recently when he introduced John Paul 11 Awards.

As he leaves us we offer him our sincerest thanks and we wish him many years of health and happiness as he continues his ministry.

As announcement about the election of a diocesan administrator, who will run the day-to-day affairs of the diocese while a new bishop is awaited, is expected before Tuesday.

Bishop Moriarty's personal statement following the acceptance of his resignation by Pope Benedict is available on www.kandle.ie

(Copies available at Church doors)

ANNIVERSARIES

PLEASE PRAY FOR Ned Canavan, Knocklow who died recently.

ANNIVERSARY MASS for Paddy Murphy, Grange today Sunday 25th April at 9.30 a.m. in Grange Church.

ANNIVERSARY MASSES for Friday 30th April, 7.30 p.m.

Madge & Donal McMahon, Pairc Mhuire. Kathleen Keogh, Dublin Road. Thomas Hennessy, Paulville. John & Mary Madden & grandson Cathal, Mill Street. Sr. Paschal Richardson, The Convent. Nana, Jimmy & Mary Ann O'Toole, Ardoyne. Molly Byrne, Bridge Street. Tadhg O'Scanaill. James Cush, Shillelagh. Billy & Nano Savage, Church Street.

MONTHS MIND MASS for Paddy Fagan, 28 Shroughaun Close next Saturday night 1st May at 7.30 p.m.

TULLOW PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2010.

5 Nights. Cost: €759.

Spiritual Leader: Fr. Brendan Byrne:

Hotel Padoue: Saturday 26th June—Thursday 1st July inclusive.

Names to be given to the Parish Centre, Tullow as soon as possible. 059 9151277.

The Priests and People of the Parish of Tullow wish to extend our deepest sympathy to all the Polish people on the tragic death of their President and all his fellow travellers in the recent air crash. May they rest in peace. Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time.

We wish also to express sincere thanks to the members of the Polish community here for their generous gift of a beautiful set of vestments to the Parish Church for Easter.

MISSION PROMOTION: This weekend, we welcome Sr. Julie Doran, of the Missionary sisters of our Lady of Apostles, who will speak to us at all Masses.

Tullow Parish Pastoral Council

Meeting on Monday 26th April at 8 p.m. in Parish Centre.

SERVICE OF LIGHT CEREMONY for our young people preparing for Confirmation will take place on Tuesday night 27th April at 8 p.m. in Parish Church.

RETURN OF TAX RECLAIM FORMS

A reminder to those for whom we can reclaim tax for the parish that it would be appreciated if the CHY2 Forms could be returned to the Parish in the envelope provided as soon as possible.

WORLD YOUTH DAY

World Youth Day will be held from 15th—22nd August 2011 in Madrid, Spain. It is anticipated that we will have a Diocesan group travelling to Madrid for the week to participate in the World Youth Days.

An Information Meeting will be held today Sunday 25th April in Askea Parish Centre at 2.30 p.m.

CHURCH GATE COLLECTION in aid of Flowers for the Churches this weekend 24th and 25th April. Please support.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Intentions for Tuesday 27th April and Wednesday 28th April. For the children of the Parish preparing for First Holy Communion or Confirmation this year. May they open their hearts to the Holy Spirit to be their guide and strength through life.

COLLECTIONS

Offertory: €1,294. Development: €2,092. Many thanks.

ALZHEIMER SOCIETY

The Carlow Branch of the Alzheimer Society of Ireland are having their annual Tea Day Fundraiser on Thursday 6th May in the Parish Centre, Tullow from 9.30 a.m.—3 p.m. If there is anyone who would like to help out on the day, with our street collection or the Tea party please contact Caroline on 087 9126555. Your help and support would be appreciated.

Esther Bolarin, pastor of RCCG, All Saints Parish, is inviting members of all groups in the parish to an information evening on 1st May, from 12.00 noon to 2.00 p.m. approximately at Mt. Wolseley Hotel. All welcome. Refreshments will be served.

Tullow Flower Club: Annual Outing on Tuesday 11th May to Russbouragh House, Huntington Brooke Gardens and June Blakes Garden Centre with evening meal in Rathsallagh Hotel. Bookings to Ina at 059 9151510 or Kathleen at 087 6476089 by 1st May.

AN INVITATION TO PARISHIONERS

The diocese is inviting parishioners to attend one of three meetings being held to continue the dialogue begun after the Pope's recent letter to Irish Catholics. At these meetings parishioners will have an opportunity to reflect on and discuss the letter, to hear about safeguarding children practices in the diocese and to be part of the process of moving forward together to deepen the mission of the Church in Kildare and Leighlin. These meetings will begin at 8 p.m. at the following venues:

Tuesday 27th April—Goresbridge Parish Centre.
Wednesday 15th May—Scoil Bhríde, Sallins Road, Naas.
Thursday 13th May—Killeigh National School.

SERVERS FOR THE COMING WEEK

GROUP 2 Boys

Group A: Shane Dowling.

Group B: Jamie Farrell.

Group C: Cormac Flynn & Jason Dowling.

Groups for Sunday:

8.30 a.m.: Shane Dowling and Jamie Farrell.

11.30 a.m. Cormac Flynn and Jason Dowling.

Bizzy Kids Pre-School, Ardattin.

Enrolment for September 2010 now taking place. Phone Nuala on 059 9155599 or 085 1172507.

TULLOW BINGO

Bingo every Thursday night at 8.30 p.m. in Murphy Memorial Hall.
Hickson's Supervalue jackpot is €1,000.

St. Patrick's Athletic club

Training has been changed from Tuesday nights to Monday and Friday nights from 7—8 p.m. All children must be registered as the first stage of the county championships is the 7th May. New members welcome.

TULLOW DAY CARE CENTRE,

The Shroughawn, Tullow have a vacancy for a part time mini bus driver. A D1 Licence is essential for this position. Please forward C.V. to Tullow Day Care Centre, The Shroughawn, Tullow or email tullowdaycare@eircom.net. Closing date is Friday 23rd April.

FORWARD STEPS are holding an art exhibition in the centre from 21st to the 23rd May for the Bealtaine Festival which aims to celebrate creativity in older age. We are inviting older people in the community of Tullow to enter pieces of their artwork which will be displayed in the exhibition. Contact Jen on 059 9152776.

Kind, reliable woman available to mind child/children in her own home. Good reference available. Phone 086 3844836 anytime.

HAT BOX, Paulville, Tullow. Large selection of hats, head pieces, feathers and accessories available for hire. For appointments contact 086 3840474 or 9180819.

TALKING HELPS

Confidential Counselling Service available. Contact 087 6658405 or Email: talkinghelps@eircom.net.

Email: tullowparish@eircom.net

Tullow Parish Community Centre. Phone: 059 9151277. Fax: 059 9151624.