

TULLOW BINGO

every Thursday night at 8.30 p.m. in Murphy Memorial Hall. Hickson's jackpot will be €600 next week.

THANK YOU: Lena Kirwan would like to say a big thank you to Management and Staff of Supervalu, Tullow for allowing her to sell Santa Bars in aid of Central Remedial Clinic. Thanks also to all who supported so generously. Over €900 was collected.

St. Patrick's Athletic Club A.G.M.

will be held on Wednesday 14th December at 8.30 p.m. in the Parish Centre. It is most important that parents attend for the future of the club.

THANK YOU: Rose Ward would like to thank all who supported her recent coffee morning in aid of St. Luke's Hospital, Rathgar. €1,315 was raised.

Carlow Saplings Christmas Cards are now on sale at the Parish Centre, Tullow.

St. Vincent de Paul Society

Thank you very much to all who contributed so generously to our funds at Tullow Singers and Friends Concert. The amount donated came to €839.

RELIABLE CHILDMINER AVAILABLE in Rathoe area. Contact: 087 6649665.

Anybody interested in a small trailer load of dry filling please phone 9151959.

Reliable lady available for house cleaning and ironing. Phone 086 8404383.

LOST: White iphone. Contact 085 1794926.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

CONFIRMATION 2012:

Tullow: Saturday 28th April at 11.30 a.m.

FIRST COMMUNION 2012

Grange: Saturday 19th May at 11.30 a.m.

Ardattin: Sunday 20th May at 10.30 a.m.

Tullow: Saturday 26th May at 11.30 a.m.

PRIESTS OF THE PARISH PHONE NUMBERS

Fr. Brendan Byrne 059 9152159 or 087 6646616

Fr. Andy Leahy: 059 9180641 or 087 9438270

IRISH CATHOLIC FOR SALE: €1.30

TULLOW, GRANGE & ARDATTIN PARISH NEWSLETTER

11th December, 2011. Third Sunday of Advent.

“A witness to speak for the Light”

In today's Gospel, John the Baptist urges us to take the time to be ready to meeting the Christ, the one who is coming. In these, the darkest days of the year, he promises that the light is already among us. This light can dispel the darkness of our world, heal our brokenness and calm our fears.

- ◆ *God of Light, we pray for the humility to look towards you during this Advent time.*
- ◆ *Give us the wisdom to look into our hearts and acknowledge the things that present us from knowing you.*
- ◆ *May we have the courage to be a light in our world, to live the Gospel and to make straight the way of the Lord.*

ANNIVERSARIES

ANNIVERSARY MASSES for Friday 16th December, 2011

The Kirwan family, Mt. Wolseley Lodge. Jim & Mary Roche, Tullowbeg. Michael Stynes, 1 Steepleview Crescent. Patrick & Kathleen Keogh, 11 Dublin Road. Kathleen Maher, 14 Pairc Mhuire. Peggy Flynn, 68 Pairc Mhuire. Pat & Peter McGrath, Dublin Road. Breda Kenny, Abbey Street. Elizabeth Doran and daughter Mary, Hillbrook Estate. Patrick O'Brien, 41 Pairc Mhuire. May Fitzgerald, Crosslow. Kathy Byrne, Templeowen. Sean Gartland, St. Patrick's Park. Liam Flynn, John Street. Michael & Maureen Kelly, Pairc Mhuire. Kathleen & Peter Murphy and son Ron, Dublin. Pat Cosgrove, Manchester and formerly of Rathrush, Rathoe. Patrick, Dymrna & Joe Haskins, Stratnakelly. Lar Brophy, son Christopher and parents James & Mary Brophy, Kilnock, Ballon. Delia Maher, 8 Pairc Mhuire. Julia Kelly, Tankardstown. Michael & Julia Murphy, 12 Pairc Mhuire.

FIRST ANNIVERSARY MASS for Mary Shannon, Dublin Road next Saturday 17th December at 7.30 p.m. in Parish Church.

TULLOW GOOSE CLUB

will be held

TODAY

Sunday 11th December

from 6 p.m.—9 p.m. in Murphy Memorial Hall
in aid of Scoil Mhuire Lourdes, Tullow.

*Items for Goose Club can be handed into Murphy Memorial Hall
between 2 and 4 p.m. today (11th December).*

FIRST COMMUNION PROGRAMME

The First Communion Programme for children in 2nd class continues next weekend

Tullow: Saturday 17th December at 7.30 p.m.

Grange: Sunday 18th December at 9.30 a.m.

Ardattin: Sunday 18th December at 10.30 a.m.

PENITENTIAL SERVICE FOR CHRISTMAS

will be held
on Monday night 19th December
at 7.30 p.m. in Parish Church

YOUTH 2000 CHRISTMAS RETREAT

Newbridge College, Co. Kildare 16th—18th December.

Youth 2000 Ireland will be holding their annual Christmas youth retreat in Newbridge College, Co. Kildare from Friday 16th to Sunday 18th December. Over 500 young people aged 16—35 are expected to attend this donation only event, with all newcomers welcome. The weekend consists of an action packed programme including prayer, workshops, drama, inspirational talks, music, games and chill out time. It's a great opportunity to learn more about your Catholic faith and to meet other young people. For more info check out www.youth2000.ie or call 01 6753690/085 8289231.

Email: tullowparish@eircom.net

SERVERS FOR THE COMING WEEK

GROUP 3 Boys

Oisin Jackman, James Curry.
Jason Dowling, Ben Dowling.
Eric Barr, Niall Fogarty.

GROUPS FOR SUNDAY

8.30 a.m. Eric Barr, Niall Fogarty, James Curry.

11.30 a.m. Jason Dowling, Ben Dowling, Oisin Jackman.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Intentions for Tuesday 13th and Wednesday 14th December. For all people, as we prepare for Christmas: May we repent of our sins, and prepare to open our hearts in sincere welcome to the Infant Jesus.

TULLOW COUNTRY MARKET

in conjunction with Develop Tullow Association are holding a Food and Craft Fair in the Parish Centre, Tullow today Sunday 11th December from 11—5 p.m.

Senior Citizens and Active Retirement Shopping Evening

on Wednesday 14th December

from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m.

10% Discount.

Live Music and Refreshments.
Please come along for the craic!

CHURCH GATE COLLECTION in aid of Care of the Elderly Christmas Party will be held on 17th and 18th December. Please support.

COLLECTIONS

Offertory: €1,031. Development: €1,959.
Many thanks.

Alzheimer Society

Beautiful charity Christmas cards are now on sale in Bethany House, Barrack Street. Pack of 10 are €7.50. Please call to Bethany House or phone Caroline on 087 9126555.

Tullow Community Group Ltd—

FAS Community Employment Scheme have the following job vacancies:

- 1) Temporary Caretaker/ Groundsperson.
- 2) Caretaker/Pitch Maintenance Worker.
- 3) Physiotherapist Assistant.

To apply contact FAS on 059 9142605 for referral to Tullow Community Group Ltd.

ACTIVE RETIREMENT

The committee would like to wish all their members a Happy Christmas and New Year. Next Meeting will be held on 10th January at 2 p.m.

DANCING ON A SUNDAY

Sunday Afternoon Dancing will be held in Murphy Memorial Hall, Tullow starting on Sunday 8th January from 3 p.m.—6 p.m. Music by Jackie Byrne. Adm is €5. All welcome. More details from Lila on 059 9181937.

TULLOW LIBRARY

Tuesday 13th December

'Crafts for Kids at Christmas', ages 4—7 at 3 p.m. and ages 8—10 at 4 p.m. Booking is essential. Call in or ring us on 059 9136299.

Wednesday 14th December:

'Carols for Christmas' at 6.30 p.m. Refreshments served. All welcome.

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