

TUMMY & THIGH CLASSES every Tuesday morning in the Parish Centre from 10 – 11a.m.. To book your place contact Linda on 087 9211954

5th Carlow Tullow Scouts

The Cub section have approximately ten places available. Phone 086 2312642.

The Hair Factory, Bridge Street, Tullow. Phone Donna on 9180216. Re-opening on Friday 30th September.

Traditional Irish Music Classes with Lorna Maher have resumed in Tullow Parish Centre every Friday evening. Beginners: 3.30—4.30 p.m. and Advanced from 4.30 p.m.—5.30 p.m. New pupils very welcome. Phone Lorna on 087 6436637. Tin whistle, flute, accordion and keyboard.

TULLOW BINGO

Next week's Hickson's jackpot will be €520.

Active Retirement: Trip to the Art Centre on Thursday 29th September. Bus will leave Church car park at 4.00 pm.

Remembering Catherine Kelly

A Prayer/Thanksgiving Service will be held in Teach Bhríde to celebrate Catherine's life and work on Sunday 2nd October at 3 p.m.

Catherine who died recently, is fondly remembered by those who participated in Adult Education Classes in the 80's and 90's in Tullow Community School. She was also a valued member of staff in Carlow Vocational School. All who knew Catherine are very welcome to attend.

TULLOW RUGBY CLUB

Tullow J1's play Wicklow at 3 p.m. today Sunday 25th September at the Blackgates.
Tullow J2's play Wicklow at 1.30 p.m. today Sunday 25th September at the Blackgates.

PLEASE READ THIS NOTICE—

IT COULD HELP YOURSELF OR SOMEONE YOU LOVE!

Are you worried or concerned about a loved one or family member who is perhaps drinking too much?

Maybe you are concerned that a legal or illegal substance is being used or abused on a regular basis. Perhaps you may be a little worried or fearful about your own habits and routine.

Please don't suffer in silence as so many people do because they are fearful of the consequences.

Help is available in the North Carlow area from Co. Carlow Drugs at: Bishop's House, Chapel Lane, Tullow. A fully confidential and understanding listening service is available at the above address.

Contact Richard on 085 1391701. Change is always possible.

TULLOW ACTIVE RETIREMENT

Snooker, a new activity within Tullow Active Retirement. Will members interested in forming a club please contact Stephen on 059 9181937 or 086 1743601.

We wish our Bowling Teams the best of luck in the National Bowls Competition in Castlebar from 26-30th September.

All activities are ongoing and details of line dancing, tai chi and yoga are available from Forward Steps notice board.

**TULLOW, GRANGE
& ARDATTIN
PARISH NEWSLETTER**

25th September, 2011. Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time.

“Lord, make me walk in your truth and teach me” (Res. Psalm)

Which is better, to make a promise to do something and not keep it, or to say no but then change your mind and do as you were asked?

Outwardly the religious authorities of Jesus' time had all the appearances of being 'good' - they were pious and dutiful and were quite confident of their standing before God. They are like the first son in today's Gospel who says the right thing and makes grand promises, putting on a good outward show. But their actions did not always match.

Jesus is very good at turning preconceptions upside down. It is the sinners who truly repent (rather than the outwardly pious person whose actions do not match their declaration) who will be the first to make their way into the kingdom of God.

Jesus wants us to follow through with our promises. Discipleship is not about lip service. As with many other areas of life, actions speak louder than words.

Triona Doherty (Intercom)

ANNIVERSARIES

PLEASE PRAY FOR for Willie Sheppard, Ouragh who died during the week.

ANNIVERSARY MASS for Kathleen Williams, Newtown today Sunday 25th September at 10.30 a.m. in Ardattin Church.

ANNIVERSARY MASSES

for Friday 30th September, 2011

Tom & Ann Bolger, Ouragh. Liam Comerford, Castlemore. James Farrell Jnr, 36 Pairc Mhuire. Ben Mulhall, Shillelagh Grove. Kevin Hennessy, Knocklow. Willie & Frances Birch, Park Bridge, Clonegal. Mary Rooney, Tankardstown.

MONTHS MIND MASS for Sean Griffith, Tullowhill next Saturday night 1st October at 7.30 p.m.

IRISH CATHOLIC FOR SALE: €1.30

TELEVISION MASS: R.T.E. will broadcast Mass from Tullow Church on Sunday 2nd October at the **earlier time of 11.00 a.m.**

We would ask people attending this Mass to be in their place by 10.45 a.m. Thank you.

The Eucharistic Congress Bell will be in our diocese from September 29th until October 8th. The visit of the bell is a call to the congress itself and an invitation to all of us to prepare for this important event.

Local timetable for Congress Bell

29th September (Thursday): Arriving by boat along the Barrow to Carlow at 7 p.m. with procession to the Cathedral.

2nd October (Sunday): Tullow Parish Church: 11 a.m. (T.V. Broadcast Mass)

Rathvilly: 2 p.m.

St. Patrick's College, Kiltegan: 3.45 p.m.

Baltinglass: 5.30 p.m.

Graigecullen: 8.15 p.m.

FIRST COMMUNION PROGRAMME: To cover the cost of books and materials for our parish programme, a contribution of 5 per family would be very welcome. You can hand in your donation at the Parish Office. Thank you.

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.

SERVERS FOR THE COMING WEEK

GROUP 2 GIRLS

Katelyn Ansbro, Faye Murphy

Liath Clarke, Kelsey Purcell

Emily Bolger, Aoife Dowling

GROUPS FOR SUNDAY

8.30 a.m. Katelyn Ansbro, Emily Bolger & Kelsey Purcell.

11.30 a.m. Liath Clarke, Faye Murphy & Aoife Dowling.

Church Gate Collection next weekend 1st and 2nd October in aid of the Irish Cancer Society in memory of Tommy Kavanagh. Please support.

COLLECTIONS

Offertory: €1,090. Development: €1,852. Many thanks.

OPEN AFTERNOON: Ger and Phil Farrell, Roscatt, Tullow will hold an Open Afternoon at their home **today Sunday 25th September from 3—6 p.m.** to raise funds for the Wheelchair Association (Carlow Branch).

Why not come along to see the roses, water feature etc. for this very worthy cause.

Donations gratefully received on the day. Refreshments served.

QUOTE from Children's special Communion Book (Thumb). When you were baptised you became a member of God's family and we call that the Church. You might think the church is just a building but the Church is also the name we give to the people who gather in the building. Without the people, the Church would be just another building. One of the most important things we do as part of God's family is go to Mass.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Intentions for Tuesday 27th September and Wednesday 28th September. That the Christian communities spread throughout the Asian continent may proclaim the Gospel with fervour, bearing witness to beauty with the joy of faith.

TULLOW COMMUNITY SCHOOL

Bi-Annual Fashion Show will be held in Tullow Community School on Tuesday 25th October at 8 p.m. Fabulous Fashion and entertainment featuring trade stands with great gift ideas. Tickets cost €15 and are now available from committee members and school office. Enquiries to 087 6185832.

TULLOW DAY CARE CENTRE

are hosting an open tea/coffee morning on Thursday 29th September from 10 a.m.—12 noon. This is sponsored by Carlow Older Persons Network and Carlow Community Development Partnership to celebrate Positive Aging Week. Admission is free. All welcome. Drop into to see what supports are available at the Centre.

TULLOW BRIDGE CLUB will resume after the summer break on Monday 26th September in the Tara Arms, Tullow at 7.15 p.m. All welcome.

GRANGE GAA will host a Fashion Show at the Killerig Resort Hotel on Friday 14th October. Tickets €10 each, available from any committee member.

PADRE PIO PILGRIMAGE

6th August, 2012, Benevento-San Giovanni Rotondo, 7 nights, €895 per person sharing. For more information contact Brendan on 087 6349103.

THANK YOU

The Ferrycarrig to Tullow sponsored cycle in aid of St. John's Oncology Ward in Our Lady's children's Hospital Crumlin and Barretstown was a great success last Sunday with 233 cyclists taking part. A special thanks to all who took part, sponsored or helped out in any way.

Presentation to Crumlin Hospital and Barretstown will take place on Saturday 8th October, 2011. Can all sponsorship cards be returned to J & J services as soon as possible.

The Irish Wheelchair Association's Church Gate Collection will be held this weekend Saturday and Sunday 24th and 25th September. Please support.

CRAFT CLASSES in The Coach House, Ardattin every Wednesday night from 8—10 p.m. For further information phone 9155663 or 9155639.

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