

TULLOW BINGO

Bingo every Thursday night at 8.30 p.m. in Murphy Memorial Hall. Hickson's Supervalu Jackpot next week is €520.

AVAILABLE: Room to Rent for mature person. Contact 087 7448296.

RACE NIGHT

in Ardattin Inn

on Saturday 2nd March at 9.30 p.m.

All proceeds in aid of Ardattin National School. Compere Brendan Hennessey. All welcome. Spot prizes on the night.

"Lets Make Music"

Ukulele Lessons in The Tara Arms every Wednesday night at 8 p.n. A fun evening for beginners or advanced players. Contact Kris on 086 3816442 for details.

Parenting Workshops

with Juliette Dowling, parenting consultant & academic speaker on Saturday 23rd February and Saturday 2nd March, 10 a.m.—3.00 p.m. in Teach Bhride, Tullow. Phone 059 9152465.

BRIDGE: If you are interested in learning how to play Bridge please give your name and phone number to Margaret Kirwan 087 8538596. Venue and commencement date will be confirmed in due course.

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

St. Patrick's GAA Club Dinner Dance

takes place on Saturday 23rd February in Mt. Wolseley Hotel and all past and present members are invited to attend. Tickets on sale now from club and cost €25. Jimmy Byrne will receive the Hall of Fame Award. There will also be other recipients of awards on the night.

ZUMBA CLASS every Monday morning from 10 a.m. - 11 a.m. and Wednesday morning in Tullow Parish Community Centre.

There is also a Zumba Class in Murphy Memorial Hall from 7.30 p.m.—8.30 p.m. every Tuesday evening. Classes are €6 (pay as you go). Newcomers are very welcome.

Childminder Required

for the Tullow area for 2 school going children in their own home. 2—6 p.m. Monday—Friday for school terms only. School pick up and afternoon activities. Contact 087 2589078.

Provincial Towns Seconds Cup (J2)

Tullow V Clondalkin
Saturday 23rd February at 3 p.m.
at The Blackgates.

Kettlebell Class

will resume in Rathoe Hall on Monday 25th February from 7—8 p.m. 12 classes 40 (to be paid on first night). Contact Liz on 086 1621858 for more information.

TULLOW, GRANGE AND ARDATTIN PARISH NEWSLETTER

17th February, 2019.

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Sermon on the Mount

Today we hear Saint Luke's account of the Beatitudes which Pope Francis says in his writing "Rejoice and be glad" are like a Christian's identity card.

He goes on to say that if anyone asks: "What must one do to be a good Christian?" the answer is clear. We have to do, each in our own way, what Jesus told us in the Sermon on the Mount.

In the Beatitudes, we find a portrait of the Master, which we are called to reflect in our daily lives. The word "happy" or "blessed" thus becomes a synonym for "holy". It expresses the fact that those faithful to God and his word, by their self-giving, gain true happiness.

To be holy does not require being a bishop, a priest or a religious. We are frequently tempted to think that holiness is only for those who can withdraw from ordinary affairs to spend much time in prayer. That is not the case.

We are all called to be holy by living our lives with love and by bearing witness in everything we do, wherever we find ourselves.

Are you called to the consecrated life? Be holy by living out your commitment with joy.

Are you married? Be holy by loving and caring for your husband or wife, as Christ does for the Church.

Do you work for a living? Be holy by labouring with integrity and skill in the service of your brothers and sisters.

Are you a parent or grandparent? Be holy by patiently teaching the little ones how to follow Jesus.

Are you in a position of authority? Be holy by working for the common good and renouncing personal gain.

In this way, led by God's grace, we shape by many small gestures the holiness God has willed for us, not as men and women sufficient unto ourselves but rather "as good stewards of the manifold grace of God".

Pope Francis

PLEASE PRAY FOR Julia O'Donnell (nee Keogh) Washington & formerly of Knocklow, Tullow who died recently.

ANNIVERSARY MASSES FOR SATURDAY 16TH FEBRUARY, 7.30 P.M.

MONTH MIND MASS for Lena O'Grady, Knocklow.

Tony Maher, 20 Pairc Mhuire. Elizabeth & Patrick Deegan & deceased family members, Rathglass. Jim Roche, 49 Hillbrook Estate. John & Elizabeth Maxwell, 32 Pairc Mhuire. The Wheeler family, Crosslow & The Maxwell family, Tullow. Joe Norris, 8 Courtview. Jack Redmond, Kellistown. Matt Doyle, Hillbrook Estate. James & Mary Sheppard, Ouragh. Arthur & Catherine Murphy, Ouragh. Baby Jason Brennan, Sadie Hopkins Brennan and Paddy Brennan, 3 Hawkins Street. Kathleen & Edward O'Grady, Knocklow. Patrick Flynn, Tinryland.

FIRST ANNIVERSARY MASS for Mary Carroll, 11 Hawthorn Drive today Sunday 17th February at 11.00 a.m. in Tullow Church.

ANNIVERSARY MASSES FOR SATURDAY 23RD FEBRUARY, 2019

Eddie Byrne, Bunclody Road. Margaret Julian Marshall, 51 Esker Lawns & late of Pairc Mhuire. Kathleen & Peter Rooney, 56 Dublin Road. Betty & Owen Dempsey, 33 St. Austins Terrace. Vera & Arthur Byrne, Drumcondra, grandson Cathal Madden, Castlegrace and John & Mary Madden, Mill Street. Robert Kelly, U.S.A. M.J. & Mary Holden, Ouragh. Dermot Doyle, 12 Templeowen. James & Bridget Connors, Dublin Road. Benny, Mary & Lilly Connors, Dublin Road.

FIRST ANNIVERSARY MASS for Noel Walsh, Duckettsgrove next Sunday 24th February at 9.00 a.m. in Grange Church.

**The Environment - What can parishes do?
How can we "green" our parishes?**

Sr. Catherine Brennan from Eco-Congregation Ireland will address a meeting at Prosperous Parish Centre on Saturday 23rd February at 10.30 a.m. - 12.30 p.m. Fr. Andy hopes to attend, so if you would like to come along with him, you are very welcome. 087 9438270.

The Quiet Revolution of Pope Francis

Fr. Gerry O'Hanlon SJ will give a talk on his book "The Quiet Revolution of Pope Francis - A synodial Catholic Church in Ireland?" on Tuesday 19th February at 7.45 p.m. in Leighlinbridge Parish Centre. All are welcome.

GDPR: Many thanks to the volunteers who have signed and returned their GDPR consent forms to the Parish office.

A few forms are still outstanding so we would welcome hearing from you if you haven't dropped back your consent form yet. Your cooperation is much appreciated.

Email: tullowparish@eircom.net

Towards Peace

Towards Peace is a service offering spiritual support to those who have experienced abuse perpetrated by Church personnel, individually or institutionally. Towards Peace provides spiritual support, through one-to-one spiritual direction session, with a qualified spiritual companion. If you would like a space to reflect on the impact of the trauma of abuse on your own relationship with God and spirituality, Towards Peace is here for you, www.towardspeace.ie Telephone 01 5053028. Mobile 086 7710533. Up to twelve sessions are available and there is no fee.

Eucharistic Ministers

23rd/24th February

7.30 p.m. Sr. Mary Dalton: Ashley Shannon
Ronan Jackman: Anita O'Brien
11.00 a.m. Phyllis Holden: Tim Healy
Ann Dowling: Siobhan Byrne

Parish Liturgy Group Meeting

next Wednesday 20th February at 7.30 p.m. in room over Sacristy in Parish Church.

Tullow Community First Responder Group

will hold their AGM on Tuesday 19th February at 7.30 p.m. in The Parish Centre. All welcome.

Change Your Habits Change Your Life Evenings

Thursday 14th, 21st & 28th February at 7.30 p.m. in Tullow Parish Community Centre. €10 per night.

Change Your Habits, Change Your Life! is a positive, fun, interactive evening that helps your personal development through chat, affirmations, focusing on intentions, setting goals, health tips, with a short mediation at the end of the evening (no experience of mediation necessary). For more information phone Teresa on 083 3568696.

Laois All Time Greats Quarter Final

Bishop Daniel Delany has reached the Quarter Final. He can be voted for by clicking the following link <https://www.leinsterexpress.ie/section/913/all-time-greats>

COLLECTIONS

Development: €2,080. Offertory: €1,180
Many thanks.

TULLOW MARATHON RUNNERS

As a new initiative the Tullow marathon runners would like to ask if anyone has a spare sleeping bag they don't use, as we are going to distribute them to the homeless. We will gladly arrange pick up. Contact Brendan on 087 6537753 or Emma on 085 7431833.

Tullow Youth Project @ Bishop's House

Youth support worker required on CE Programme, 19.5 hours a week. If interested contact Cathy on 085 8338732.

Tullow Parish Community Centre. Phone: 059 9151277.