



TULLOW PARISH CARRICKMINES NEWSLETTER

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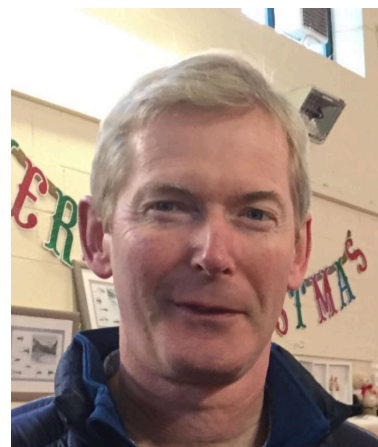
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The Rector Writes

As the familiar rhythms of autumn once again takes hold, the summer, (such as it was!), quickly becomes just another fading memory for most of us. For some it presents the opportunity to take a late holiday break away from the madding crowds of peak season. For others it is back to school for another academic year and a chance to catch up with classmates they may not have seen since last May/June. For still others, it is a time of preparation to start third level education and the freedoms and responsibilities which that entails.

However, there are segments of today's society for which very little changes. In this context, the housing crises of homelessness, unaffordable rents, escalating house prices and scarcity of suitable housing/accommodation is an ongoing nightmare for many. Even third level students coming from outside the greater Dublin area find themselves at a major disadvantage and in the past couple of years the drop-out rate from some third level courses is reported to have risen to 30% - largely driven by the impossibility for students to make ends meet. But it is not only students who are



affected, but many of our Dublin schools are experiencing a chronic teacher shortage due to teachers seeking and taking up positions in parts of the country (or abroad) where housing is more affordable and commutes are less demanding. As we face a General Election in the coming months, either later this year or early next, this issue will undoubtedly will be high on the list of priorities for the electorate.

Our Christian faith tells us that all human beings are created in the image of God. This core belief, at the very least, means that every man, woman and child has the right to have dignity. And at its most basic, dignity requires that people have a roof over their heads which they can call home. As a country, as a society and as a community we need to do all in our power to ensure that we address and deal effectively with this seemingly intractable issue with all possible haste and resolve it for once and for all.

From the Registers

Funerals:

17th August – Sarah (Sadie) Hankey – may Jillian, Adele, Thomas and the extended Hankey family know the comfort of the risen Christ in their loss.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



LETTERS FOR LIFE

All proceeds to Irish Cancer Society

Quirky, poignant, funny, historic letters read by:



Tuesday 10th September 7.30pm
Tullow Church, Brighton Road, Foxrock

Book on Eventbrite €35 + booking fees

Music by: Nathan Whitely (Organist) & Wesley Trad Group

Letters for Life Tuesday 10th September

Letters for Life, a fundraiser for Irish Cancer Society, is an entertaining evening showcasing letters as a literary form. Poignant, funny, quirky, ranging from Stan

Laurel reminiscing about DunLahaire (sic), Samuel Beckett remembering walking on Three Rock Mountain, Erskine Childers' extraordinary letter to a parishioner's 12 year old daughter, to a poor unfortunate complaining about lack of broadband and many more, they will be read by rugby's Andrew Porter, author Joseph O'Connor, actor Geraldine Plunkett, *Sunday Independent's* Madeleine Keane, *Irish Times* Stephen Collins, author Sinead Moriarty and RTÉ Sports Peter Collins. Music by our own Nathan Whitley and the Wesley Trad Band.

Tickets €35 plus booking fee - to book click here <https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/letters-for-life-tickets-976217993297> or if you would prefer not to book online please contact Jane Bowes on [086 8418138](tel:0868418138).

100% of proceeds go to Irish Cancer Society.



Bakes, Books, Bric à Brac and more Saturday 28th September 10am

FOOD NEEDED!

We need **food** items to sell on 28th. Can you make cakes, traybakes, buns, meringues, jam, chutney, salads - any food item which will sell?

Please let Jennifer Sowman Tel [086 3154118](tel:0863154118) or Hilary Cran Tel [087](tel:087)

[2216053](#) know what you are able to contribute.

Do you have things in good condition for the **Bric à Brac** stall? Please contact Torren Gale on [087 8199400](#). If you have items to donate, the container at the church will be open after the 10.30am Service on 8th, 15th, 22nd September

Have you got books in good condition for the **Book** stall?

Please contact Jane Bowes on [086 8418138](#) (Books have to be sorted so please bring them **before** the day of the Fair)

If you have any queries please contact Sandra Ruttle [087 2344964](#) or Jane Bowes [086 8418138](#)

Please do not donate anything which is dirty, broken or incomplete - it costs us to get rid of them and they cannot be put on sale.

We also greatly appreciate shoppers for the above so if you are unable to make or contribute items just come along on the day and buy! Tell your friends and family.



Evergreens Walking Club

Next walk: Sunday 22nd September.

Route: Upper Lake Glendalough via St Kevin's Way and forest tracks.

Duration 2 to 3 hours or so.

Meet at 12.00 midday at Parish Hall where cars are shared.

This is a lovely scenic walk with a minimum of climbing in the heart of Wicklow.

The tracks are good but boots or sturdy shoes are recommended, as the weather can be changeable. Also wear suitable outdoor clothing.

We usually bring a light lunch for sustenance (drink/flask, sandwich, bar etc).

And the walk usually ends up in a local hostelry.

All parishioners and their friends welcome!

Dogs also welcome on a lead.

Donald Gill [087 1270592](tel:0871270592)

Events in October and November

Sunday 20th October 10.30am - Harvest Thanksgiving with the Stedfast Band

Saturday 30th November - Christmas with Sounds Ensemble

As well as the annual Remembrance Sunday Service and Service of Remembrance in November.

NEWS

Tullow Church is 160 Years Old

Tullow Church was consecrated in April 1864 - this is how it was reported at the time.

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CONSECRATION OF TULLOW CHURCH, CARRICKMINES.

His Grace the Archbishop of Dublin yesterday solemnly consecrated the new district parochial church of Tullow, Carrickmines. This church is erected on a site generously presented by Mr. W. W. Bentley, the funds being provided jointly by the Ecclesiastical Commissioners and the inhabitants of the rapidly-rising neighbourhood of Foxrock, Leopardstown, and Carrickmines. The edifice, which has been built according to plans by Messrs. Welland and Gillespie, architects to the commissioners, is of the middle Gothic period of architecture, and consists of the main building running from east to west, with bell-tower and spire, entrance porch on the south side, and vestry-room with transept on the north. The building has been executed by Mr. Thomas Waldron, of Sunnyside, Kilmuckin, of solid masonry; granite being chiefly employed. The windows are of the lancet pattern, with two lights, a rose with stained glass being introduced. The mullions as well as the dressings generally are of cut stone. The building is roofed with ton slates and is neatly finished with ornamental crested ridge tiles. Internally, the church presents a very handsome appearance. The roof is nearly fully open, the beams and rafters, which are highly polished, being visible. The furniture is plain but appropriate, and is oak, stained throughout. The pulpit is nicely designed and executed. As a whole, the building presents one of the neatest specimens of rural church architecture with which we are acquainted. Its position, likewise, has been most advantageously selected in the centre of a charmingly broken and tumulated district, with a lovely combination of the most beautiful features for which this portion of the country is celebrated.

The ceremony of yesterday commenced at shortly after twelve o'clock, on the arrival of the Archbishop of Dublin. His Grace, who was attended by the Venerable Archdeacon Lee, was received at the entrance gate by the Very Rev. the Dean of St. Patrick's, the patron of the living; the Rev. Ronald M'Donnell, incumbent of Monkstown; Rev. Dr. Moeran, Dundrum; Rev. Thomas Wallace, Kill-o'-the-Grange; Rev. L. H. Bolton, Drumconrath, county of Meath; Rev. Thomas Sill Gray, Rev. Mr. Moffett, rector of Kiltiernan; Rev. Mr. M'Donough, Powerscourt; Rev. Mr. Slater, Killiney; Rev. Mr. Hackett, Crinkin; and the Rev. John Fawcett, incumbent of Tullow. At the church door Mr. John Hasler Samuels, proctor, read the petition praying that the church might be consecrated, to which the Archbishop gave his assent. The ceremony then took place, the Archbishop and clergy proceeding up the church towards the communion table, Psalm xxiv. being recited. The deed of conveyance having been handed to his Grace, was by him placed upon the communion table, after which he addressed the prescribed exhortation to the congregation, and said the prayers required by the Liturgy. The service for the day

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then began, the Rev. Ronald M'Donnell reading the
Lessons, and the Rev. John Fawcett the Psalms.
The "Veni Creator Spiritus" was sung by Messrs. W.
Robinson and John O'Rorke, and Miss Shepherd,
Mr. Clarke, organist of Zion Chapel, Rathgar, presi-
ding at the harmonium. The sermon was preached
by the Archbishop. At the conclusion of the sermon
the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered,
and the ceremonies terminated at half-past two o'clock.

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Consecration of Tulow Church in 1864

Taken from Saunders News-Letter and Daily Advertiser Friday April 15th 1864.
Thankfully newspapers are easier to read nowadays - and we're not reading them by candlelight! Also thankfully we don't have Services that last for two and

a half hours.

James Hamilton Clarke, who was a collaborator of Gilbert and Sullivan, played the harmonium that day. He was the organist of Zion Church which had recently opened.

Thanks to David O'Shea, organist in Sandford, for sending this article.





Nathan and Church Music Award

The Rector recently presented our wonderful organist, Nathan Whitley, with the Archbishop's Certificate in Church Music. Nathan was on holidays when it should have been presented but those of us in church that day were delighted to see the presentation which is the highest award given by Church Music.



Spinning Wheel

Peter Hoare was in Sigginstown Castle, Wexford demonstrating his spinning wheel for Heritage Week recently. Peter is a regular attendee at Tullow Crafty Crew's monthly sessions in the Parish Hall.

Tell Us Your Good News!

There must be many good news stories in the parish so please tell us - we'd love to share them - any good news is welcome. Tel Jane Bowes [086 8418138](tel:0868418138) or bowesjane91@gmail.com



Do You Have Any Useful Contacts?

Have you found yourself needing help with something or need a particular service? Do you have something you're finished with but which might be useful to someone? Have you found a useful service which others might need?

By special request and suggestions from parishioners we are compiling a list of things and services which others may find useful. For the moment the intention is to list things and services in the newsletter each month.

Useful information we have:

- A builder who will speedily install extra stair banisters and similar
- Walker and crutches available to borrow or keep
- Gutter and chimney cleaning
- A handyman who will do small jobs

If you can add to this or are interested in anything listed please contact Jane Bowes on [086 8418138](tel:0868418138) or bowesjane91@gmail.com

PARISH ORGANISATION

After Church Coffee

We need volunteers for the after church tea and coffee on Sunday mornings. **Please help by volunteering** to join a panel of coffee/tea makers - it's very easy!

Rota for September

Sunday 1st - Cooper Family
Sunday 8th - Heather and Ken Gregory
Sunday 15th - Cleo and Les Ellis
Sunday 22nd - Max Smyth and family
Sunday 29th - Sue and Terry Forsyth

Thanks so much to those who volunteered for September - please think about volunteering for October.

Please contact Barbara Cooper on [086 8446274](tel:0868446274) or email barcoop@gmail.com and let her know when you'd like to help

Badminton Club Thursdays at 8pm in Parish Hall

Badminton will start again on 19th September and we look forward to seeing all the regular members as well as some new ones.

[086 8418138](tel:0868418138) if you'd like to know more.

Outreach - Bray Women's Refuge

Tea, coffee, biscuits and personal hygiene items always needed - please leave in basket in the Outreach area at the back of the church.

Thank you

Hilary Cran

Outreach - Down Syndrome India

To help us continue to fund life-saving surgery for little children please take a collection box from the Outreach area at the back of the church and pop your spare coins and notes into it.

Contact Joyce Buckley if you would like to know more.

Tullow Book Club

The first meeting of the new season will take place early in September. There will be a full report in the October Newsletter.

Vera Tanner

Tullow Bowls Club Parish Hall Tuesdays 7.30pm

We held our AGM on the 5th July which was well attended, plus a couple of non members, just to make sure it went smoothly!! This was followed by a very sociable dinner with some liquid consumed.

Our season starts on the 24th September 7.30pm. If there is anybody who is interested in joining or having a go, please turn up at Tullow Hall on the said date or any Tuesday 7.30pm. You would be most welcome. Tea and a bit of

craic (chat) from about 9pm

Please wear flat soled shoes

If you wish contact

Jonathan Morton [01 2894121](tel:012894121) [085 7793250](tel:0857793250)

Hazel Alexander [087 9719836](tel:0879719836)

Tullow Crafty Crew Thursday 12th September Parish Hall 2.30 - 4pm

Welcome back to Crafty Crew. We will meet on Thursday 12th September 2024 at 2.30 pm to 4 pm in Tullow Parish Hall. Why not try some Crystal Art or some card making to start the Autumn season? 🍂 we look forward to seeing you there.

Margaret Breadon [0872941078](tel:0872941078).

Tullow Select Vestry - extract from minutes of meeting on 24th June

- a contractor has been asked to quote for creating a smooth path for wheelchairs and buggies from the church gate to the ramp
 - lights in the parish hall will be replaced over the summer
 - the resumption of a Sunday Club for children is being pursued. Two volunteers are in the process of being Garda vetted and undergoing Safeguarding Trust training.
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Wednesday Coffee and Service 10.30am

Do you like tea/coffee and a chat? Come along any Wednesday morning to a short Service in the church at 10.30am; coffee and chat afterwards in the Coffee Room in the Parish Hall.

All welcome

Support Tullow Parish Hall Tenants

The Parish Hall has a wide range of groups and organisations using it. Please support them.

Little Star Preschool

Opens again at the end of August.

www.littlestarpreschoolfoxrock.ie

Irish Dancing Classes for Children

With the renowned Chaney Farrell Academy. Starts again in September. New pupils are welcome. Online registration at www.irishdancingclasses.ie

Yoga Classes

Catherine has classes on Mondays. 8 weeks starting 2nd September. Contact her if you'd like to join.

Feel stretched, not stressed. Suitable for all levels. Mondays 8.15pm - 9.15pm.

Contact: Catherine [087 7864853](tel:0877864853) catherinesyogamat@gmail.com

Take 2 - now enrolling for September term

Take 2 Performing Arts School is proud to be south Dublin's longest running stage school, established in 1988.

Drama Classes Mon - Thurs afternoons for 5 - 18 year olds. Exam and Feis preparation.

Musical Theatre Classes - Sing, Dance, Act! Saturdays 3 - 12 year olds.

All children take part in end of year performance in the Pavilion Theatre.

Contact: pamela@take2.ie or www.take2.ie. Classes start September 7th.

The Fitness League - Celebrating 90 years of Inspirational Teaching!

Fitness League Classes for the Active Retired. In the Parish Hall on Mondays 2.15pm - 3.00pm. Join anytime, €7 per class.

Exercise and music - a terrific combination! This is a standing and chair-based class. Improve your cardiovascular fitness and function as well as your posture, strength, balance and coordination.

Contact **Yvonne McMahon** - [086 3900 223](tel:0863900223)

www.thefitnessleague.ie

Tullow Brownies and Girl Guides

Brownies (girls 7-10 years) meet Saturday mornings 9:30-10:45am and Guides (girls 10-14 years) meet Monday evenings 6:30-8pm. We are also looking for volunteer adult leaders to join our wonderful organisation.

For more information please contact Alice on [086 3541195](tel:0863541195)

Tullow 57th Scout Group

The Tullow Scout (and cubs) group meets in the Parish Hall on Wednesdays 7-8.15pm. They are in urgent need of another female leader without whom they cannot operate. Please contact Jennifer Kelly on [087 6813989](tel:0876813989) if you can help.



A Prayer in times of change – especially the changing of a season

“To everything there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven. A time to be born and a time to die, a time to plant and a time to uproot” ([Ecclesiastes 3:1-2](#)).

Merciful God, we praise you because you know all things, see all things, and you remember us. Thank you that we can depend on your presence with us in every season and situation, that each time has purpose and meaning. We are grateful that each season is overseen by you, even the harder ones. Help us to see your hand and guidance in our lives as we go through changes, the

highs, and the lows. May we grow in trust and persevere in the valleys. How great you are, oh God, for being so intentional to care for us in every season. For even when things seem dark, your light continues to shine on us in mercy and grace.
Amen.



Foxrock Station and the Harcourt Street Line

The Harcourt Street Line was the catalyst for the development of Foxrock in the 1860s and the line and the station in Foxrock were a major part of people's lives for a century. A new permanent photographic exhibition in the car park of

Foxrock Village (site of Foxrock Station) shows the station and the trains that ran on the line. More information and photographs are on www.foxrock.ie

Local historian Cathy Scuffil gave a very interesting talk recently on Foxrock and the Harcourt Street Line. That talk was booked out but will be repeated on Monday 11th November at 7.30pm. Booking essential - please email facefoxrock@gmail.com.

Foxrock Local History Club

Next meeting in the Pastoral Centre, Foxrock Church, Tuesday 17th September
8pm



FOXROCK LOCAL HISTORY CLUB

The History Club's Next Public Lecture is on: -
TUESDAY 17TH SEPTEMBER 2024
IN THE FOXROCK PASTORAL CENTRE @ 8.00 P.M.

RABBIT HOLES—LOCAL 1916 STORIES AND THE FOXROCK CONNECTION WITH THE PROPERTY LOSSES COMMITTEE.

SPEAKER: - *Cathy Scuffil*



Shops and business premises destroyed on O'Connell Street after the 1916 rebellion.

The events of the 1916 rising had impacts not only in the city centre but for people living and working in the suburbs. Cathy has traced the claims made by residents in Foxrock to the Property Losses Committee for loss of businesses in the city and other property lost such as jewellery left in for repair etc.,

Cathy has spoken to our club in the past on aspects of Dublin history and always bring new insights into local history from her researches in the archives that slowly are being made available. This talk is guaranteed to highlight interesting stories about people who lived in this area in this 1916 period.

Entrance is €5.00 for non-members – Members Free

Membership is €20 for the year (Sept - July) and entitles members to our lectures for free and two short outings

Our website: www.foxrocklocalhistory.ie

E.Mail: info@foxrocklocalhistory.ie

Photographic Archive and Local History

Please have a look in albums, boxes etc and see if you have any photos of people or places of interest to the Parish or the wider Foxrock area.

Jane Bowes bowesjane91@gmail.com or [086 8418138](tel:0868418138) if you find any.

Remember the Parish

Over the years legacies from parishioners have made a huge difference and the Parish is most appreciative. May I, once again, ask parishioners to please consider Tullow Parish in their wills?

Don Beck
Hon Treasurer

Remembrance Garden

Don't forget that the right to burial in our peaceful Remembrance Garden is available to parishioners for €1,500 and a limited number of spaces for non-parishioners are available at €2,500. Please consider telling your friends and family about this oasis of peace. Contact the Rector if you're interested.

If you have a loved one in the Garden of Remembrance please take away flower pots and planters when they've gone past their best. At the moment, Ross, the gardener, removes them and puts them on the gravel strip near the back wall but they are very unsightly there. Thank you.

Parish Online Services and Parish Newsletter

The church is open for the 8.30am and 10.30am Sunday Services. The 10.30am Service is live-streamed every Sunday so you can watch it wherever you are - just log into the Parish website www.tullowdublin.org. It's also available to view on the website afterwards and on Facebook at Tullow Parish whenever you wish.

If you know of anyone who is not on the Parish email list and would like to receive the newsletter and other communications from the Parish please contact

tullowdublinnewsletter@gmail.com or Jane Bowes [086 8418138](tel:0868418138).

Under GDPR regulations someone has to request to be put on the email list. If someone is on the Parish List and we have their email address then we are permitted to add them to the email list but we do need their email address so don't assume we already have it!

Website, Facebook & Instagram

The Parish website www.tullowdublin.org and our Facebook page (search for Tullow Parish) are kept up to date by Alan R and, thanks to Samm, they are widely promoted - the effectiveness of this is illustrated by the very impressive viewing figures for the online Services.

Thanks are due to all these people who help to keep Tullow an active, vibrant parish. Let the Rector know if you would like to contact any of them.

Rector: Rev John Tanner [086 3021376](tel:0863021376)
Lay Ministers: Alan Rhodes and Mandy Swanwick
Rector's Church Warden: Nigel Swanwick
People's Church Warden: Torren Gale
Rector's Glebe Warden: Ernie Porter
People's Glebe Warden: Chris Wojnar
Pastoral Assistant: Patricia Stewart
Organist: Nathan Whitley
Parish Treasurer: Don Beck
Select Vestry Secretary: Jane Bowes
Envelope Scheme: Torren Gale
Sustentation Fund: Owen Driver
Readers & Coffee Rota: Barbara Cooper
Connect Group & Clevis Drivers Rota: Jennifer Sowman
Wednesday Coffee: June Hayes
Parish Newsletter: Jane Bowes
Parish Hall Bookings: Jennifer Sowman

Parish Hall Committee: Rev John Tanner, Margaret Breadon, Barbara Cooper, Jonathan Morton, Ernie Porter, Chris Wojnar

Flower Rota: Sandra Ruttle

Bell Ringer: David Cooper

Church of Ireland Review: Jill Malcolm

Badminton:

Bowls Club: Jonathan Morton

Tullow Friends: Cleo Ellis

Tullow Book Club: Vera Tanner

Altar Linens: Vera Tanner

Members of the Select Vestry:

Rev John Tanner (chair) Don Beck, Jane Bowes (secretary), Margaret Breadon, Hilary Cran, Donald Gill, Torren Gale, Sheila Meredith, Ernie Porter, Alan Rhodes, Sandra Ruttle, Patricia Stewart, Mandy Swanwick, Nigel Swanwick, Chris Wojnar.

Welcome to the Tullow Parish newsletter. This is a very active parish so there's lots to report each month. We appreciate feedback - both critical and otherwise.

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Please forward to other members of your family



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