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# **SEPTEMBER 2025**

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# **The Rector Writes**

For many, all too soon another summer has come to a close as we move in autumn. Our schools have reopened their doors and third level colleges will follow shortly. There is already a noticeable increase in traffic volumes, which always comes as a shock after the more manageable commutes of summer. We wish all those who are embarking on the path of formal education and their parents every blessing.

We also wish every success to those who are moving on to further education or starting work.

Parish Organisations will be getting back into swing later this month with the resumption of both Badminton and Indoor Bowling. The first meeting of the season for Crafty Crew will also take place later this month. Mid-week Services followed by coffee will resume on Wednesday 3rd September. Hopefully we will see good support for all these activities as the benefits of socialisation far outweigh the efforts of becoming involved.

Highlighting the benefits of socialisation and getting involved in community, the following tragedy illustrates a point. A man died in his car on Kerrymount Avenue at the end of the July. It was not until 18 days later that passing tourists walking on the Avenue raised the alarm. A day earlier, a traffic warden put a parking ticket on the car. It is unfortunate that it would appear many errors of omission occurred in this case but it reinforces the necessity that we should all look out for each other. Accordingly, we thank F.A.C.E. for all the good work they do in promoting community spirit and support.

On a happier note, we wish every congratulations to Nathan Whitley, our organist, for getting top marks in his Leaving Certificate exams



and being offered a place studying medicine in Trinity College Dublin.

# From the Registers

# **Funeral**

Saturday 23rd August – Annie Mulholland. May her husband Joe, her daughter Fiona and her sons Silvain and Julian and their families know the peace of the risen Christ in their loss.

#### **CALENDAR**

Some people have mentioned that they used to find the calendar in the printed newsletter useful. In the absence of a printed edition an alternative is to screenshot this calendar and print or put into your photos on your phone. Let us know if you find this useful.

### **SEPTEMBER**

<u>Thursday 4th & Friday 5th September</u> Music in Foxrock at Lis na Carrig <u>Monday 29th September</u> Meeting re Christmas Fair

# **OCTOBER**

<u>Sunday 12th October</u> Harvest Festival with the Stedfast Band <u>Friday 24th October</u> Concert in Tullow Church with John O'Conor and Ailbhe McDonagh

### **NOVEMBER**

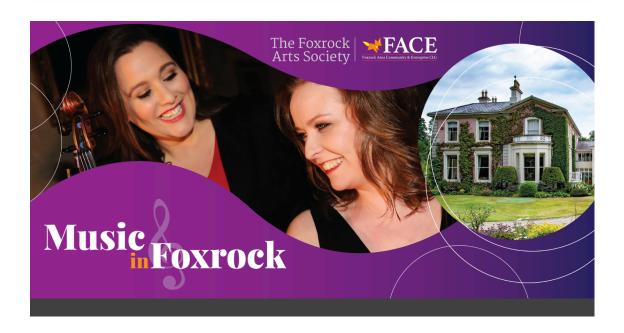
<u>Sunday 9th November</u> Remembrance Sunday <u>Sunday 23rd November</u> Service of Remembrance <u>Saturday 29th November</u> Christmas Fair

## **DECEMBER**

Saturday 6th December African Gospel Choir
Friday 12th December Tullow Friends Christmas Lunch
Sunday 14th December Family Carol Service
Sunday 21st December Carols by Candlelight

Advance notice: Pre-loved clothing sale in 2026

# **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**



# Music in Foxrock Thursday 4th and Friday 5th September in Lis na Carrig, Brighton Road

This is the first **Music in Foxrock** event and features cellist Ailbhe McDonagh and violinist Lynda O'Connor in the beautiful surroundings of Lis na Carrig house and garden on 4th and 5th September.

At time of mailing, due to cancellations, a small number of tickets have become available so check Eventbrite.ie at this link <a href="https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/music-in-foxrock-tickets-1470975510349?aff=oddtdtcreator">https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/music-in-foxrock-tickets-1470975510349?aff=oddtdtcreator</a>

**Music in Foxrock** is organised by the Foxrock Arts Society under the auspices of FACE.



# **Evergreen Walking Club Sunday 12 noon 28th September**

We welcome all Evergreens and friends to our next walk:

Date: Sunday 28th September Meet: 12.00 noon at Parish Hall

Where: Glencree Valley from Curtlestown by Wicklow Way towards Prince

William's Seat mountain (or nearby!).

All parishioners and friends welcome! The route is uphill on some good tracks and mountain trails. Time about 2 to 3 hours at a gentle pace, and we wait for everyone! Great scenery overlooking Glencree and Glencullen.

Wear suitable outdoor clothing and boots/good runners.

Bring a light lunch and drink. The walk will finish at a local hostelry in Enniskerry.

Donald Gill 087 1270592



# **Tullow Christmas Fair Meeting Monday 29th September 8pm**

The Christmas Fair is at the end of November but preparations have started. If you can help in any way or have any new ideas, the Fair Committee will be meeting on Monday, 29th September at 8pm in the Select Vestry room in the Parish Hall so please come along - we need you!

If you cannot make this meeting but would still like to help, please contact Sandra Ruttle on 087 2344964

Jingle and Mingle
Tullow Parish Christmas Fair Saturday 29 November 2025

Tullow Christmas Fair is back. Browse stalls full of unique Christmas gifts, homemade baubles, cakes, bakes, tipples and treats plus much more.

But first we need your help. We are asking for donations of any unwanted gifts and items (excluding clothing) you wish to donate that would be in good condition for resale – items are being sought for the following stalls:

- Cakes and Bakes
- Delicatessen
- Crafts
- Bric-à-Brac
- Books
- Jewellery, bags and scarves
- Unwanted gifts
- Bottle stall
- Raffle

Closer to the date, donations can be dropped off to the Church container.

Sandra Ruttle



# \*ADVANCE NOTICE\* Music in Foxrock Friday 24th October Tullow Church

**Music in Foxrock** continues and we are honoured that eminent pianist John O'Conor and renowned cellist Ailbhe McDonagh will play a concert in Tullow Church. This will be a memorable evening enhanced by a wine reception afterwards, generously sponsored by Dunnes Stores.

Booking on Eventbrite will open in mid September and tickets will be €35 plus booking fee. If you would prefer not to book on Eventbrite please contact Jane Bowes on 086 8418138 or Sheila Moore on 086 2487433.

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# Welcome to Foxrock



Heritage Walks Map & Places of Interest





# **Tullow Church on new Heritage Walking Map of Foxrock**

A new heritage walking map of Foxrock was launched during Heritage Week in mid August. It shows four different walks around the Foxrock area along with the places of interest along the way. Tullow Church features as do many other places of interest - did you know there used to be a Tin Church on Torquay Road or that there was a hotel in Foxrock Village?

Copies of the map may be had free of charge from the Guinness Gallery, The Gables, Kerb, Grumps, Texaco Centra, Pure Pharmacy and in the old telephone box.









# Tullow Life 1979 - 1990

Canon Cecil Hyland was Rector in Tullow for many years and he and his wife Dorothy were heavily involved in parish life. Rev Hyland recently sent a treasure trove of photos from their time in Tullow so we will enjoy them in the newsletter over the coming months.

Top left - Rev Hyland welcoming Mike Murphy to the parish fête 1980.

Top right - one wonders what there was at fêtes in the 1980s that uniformed security was needed . Note the old parish hall - the present hall was opened in 1986.

Bottom left - Jonathan and Stephen Morton and Jimmy Colville 1983 Bottom right - Lynn and David McCleane, Sue and Terry Forsyth 1983







# **Tullow Guides and Camp Orbit**

Tullow Guides, together with Rathmichael Guides, attended 'Camp Orbit' this August - an international camp hosted by Irish Girl Guides in Clongowes

College. 1,500 girls and leaders from Ireland, the UK, the USA, Canada, Portugal, Malta, Cyprus, New Zealand and India camped in tents for one week and took part in a variety of space-themed activities. Tullow hosted the Malta Guides on our subcamp and the girls made fast friends with plans to visit Malta already in the diaries! The girls (and leaders!) had a 'blast'! We're counting down until the next international camp opportunities with Irish Girl Guides!

Alice 086 3541195

# Congratulations

Congratulations to all the Leaving Cert students who got their results recently. Hopefully you are all pleased with the result of so many years hard work. Special congratulations have to go to Nathan, our organist - it would be almost impossible for him to have done better. We never doubted you Nathan and, as the Rector says above, we're all delighted you got your first choice of medicine in Trinity.

Congratulations also to the college and university students who received their results earlier in the summer and the best of luck to the Jumior Cert students who will be getting their results in the next few weeks.

#### 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 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 7th - Marie Wallace and Sandy Feenan

Sunday 14th - Valeria Domaskina and Barbara Cooper

Sunday 21st - Bev and Dave Parker

Sunday 28th - Max, Max, Lex and Tex

Thanks so much to those who volunteered for September. We need volunteers for October so if you enjoy the Sunday morning coffee please offer to help out occasionally.

# Please contact Barbara Cooper on 086 8446274 or email barcoop@gmail.com and let her know when you'd like to help

# **Badminton Club Thursdays at 8pm in Parish Hall**

Badminton returns on Thursday 11th September and we look forward to seeing all the regular members as well as some new ones.

New members always welcome. 086 8418138 if you'd like to know more.

# Outreach - Bray Women's Refuge

Thanks so much to everyone who left donations at the back of the church, they are appreciated very much so please continue to do so.

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.

Joyce Buckley 087 2988769

#### **Tullow Book Club**

There was no book club meeting over the summer but the choice for September is *The Women* by Kristin Hannah.

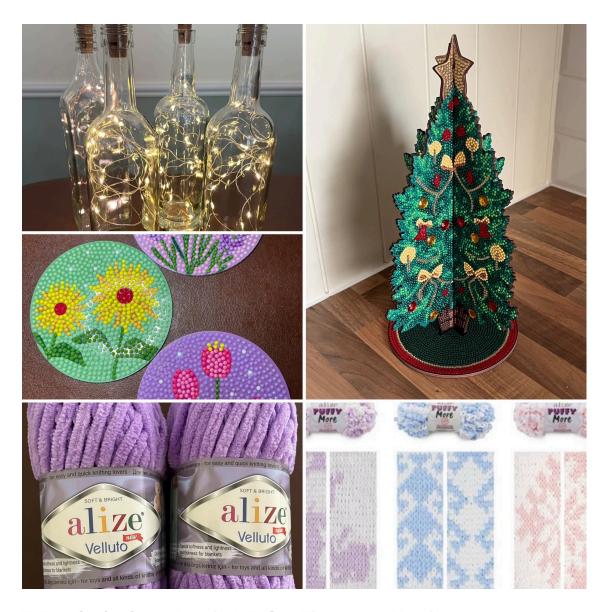
Vera Tanner

#### **Tullow Bowls Club**

The Bowls Club returns as usual on Tuesday 23rd September at 7.30pm in the

Parish Hall. If you would like information about the bowls or are thinking about joining please contact

Hazel Alexander 087 9719836 Jonathan Morton 085 7793250



# Tullow Crafty Crew Parish Hall One Thursday a Month

Tullow Crafty Crew will be meeting again on Thursday 25th September in the Parish Hall from 2.30 pm to 4 pm. Looking forward to seeing you all then to work on new crafting ideas, current projects and items for the Christmas fair in November 2

Margaret 087 2941078

# **Wednesday Coffee and Service 10.30am**

Do you like tea/coffee and a chat? Come along any Wednesday morning at

10.45am to the Coffee Room in the Parish Hall . All welcome. A short Service is held in the church at 10.30am if you wish to attend.



# **Support Tullow Parish Hall Tenants**

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

## **Little Star Preschool**

Started again on 27th August.

# www.littlestarpreschoolfoxrock.ie

# Irish Dancing Classes for Children

With the renowned Chaney Farrell Academy. Started on 25th August and new pupils are welcome. Online registration at <a href="https://www.irishdancingclasses.ie">www.irishdancingclasses.ie</a>

# **Yoga Classes**

Catherine has classes on Mondays - starting again on Monday 1st September. Feel stretched, not stressed. Suitable for all levels. Mondays 8.15pm - 9.15pm. Contact: Catherine 087 7864853 catherinesyogamat@gmail.com

# Take 2 starting on 6th September

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.

# The Fitness League - Celebrating 90 years of Inspirational Teaching! Classes for the Active Retired.

Starting again on Monday 15th September.

Contact: Yvonne McMahon 086 3900223

www.thefitnessleague.ie

# Ladies Keep Fit Class Wednesdays 8 - 9pm Parish Hall

Come join the new Fitness Class starting on Wednesday 10th September at 8pm.

If you want to feel energised, stretched and strengthened while working through the whole body then this is the class for you.

Join Patricia for a FREE CLASS on Wed 10th at 8pm.

Contact Patricia 086 8863917

# Tullow Brownies and Girl Guides Parish Hall Mondays 6.30 - 8pm Starting Monday 15th September.

Irish Girl Guides is a youth-driven female organisation offering a varied programme for girls and young woman age 5-30. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer leader, please contact Alice on 086 3541195 for more information. No experience necessary!



# A Prayer for the Beginning of Autumn

O God of Creation, you have blessed us with the changing of the seasons.

As we welcome the autumn months,

may the earlier setting of the sun

remind us to take time to rest.

May the brilliant colours of the leaves

remind us of the wonder of your creation.

May the steam of our breath in the cool air remind us that it is you who give us the breath of life.

May the harvest from the fields remind us of the abundance we have been given

and the bounty we are to share with others.

May the dying of summer's spirit remind us of your great promise that death is temporary and life is eternal

We praise you for your goodness forever and ever.

Amen (Author unknown)

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# FOXROCK LOCAL PISCORY CLUD

The History Club's Next Public Lecture is on: TUESDAY 16TH SEPTEMBER 2025
IN THE FOXROCK PASTORAL CENTRE @ 8.00 P.M.

# TOPIC: - SHANKILL IN 1837- PEOPLE, HOUSES AND EVENTS By Rob Goodbody



In 1837, Shankill, was a rural village. It was part of a larger estate owned by Sir Charles Compton William Domvile, who later sought to develop it into a more attractive area for Dublin city residents. At this time, Shankill was primarily characterized by smallholdings and a more rural lifestyle. Domvile aimed to transform Shankill by building grand Georgian-style housing, squares, and streets to attract Dublin's wealthier professionals. Rob has spent many years researching this area of Dublin and his wealth of knowledge of this subject will be very informative.

Entrance is €5.00 for non-members - Members Free

#### MEMBERSHIP FEES FOR THE YEAR DUE IN SEPTEMBER

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

# ALSO

# IN DEANSGRANGE LIBRARY

(FREE - BUT BOOKING IS ESSENTIAL AT (01)2047218)
ON MONDAY OCT 20th @ 18:30

# TOPIC - LOCAL HISTORY SOURCES ON A LOCAL THEME - Our many medieval church ruins.

By Martin McCarthy



Our area, that is Rathdown, County Dublin, is particularly rich in the number it has of early ecclesiastical sites, many with the ruins of stone churches still extant at the site. This talk draws on the work of some writers who have sought to place them in their historical context

#### 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 <a href="mailto:bowesjane91@gmail.com">bowesjane91@gmail.com</a> or 086 8418138 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 <a href="www.tullowdublin.org">www.tullowdublin.org</a>. 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.

Under GDPR regulations someone has to request to be put on the email list. If someone is on the Parish List and <u>we have their email address</u> 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 <u>www.tullowdublin.org</u> 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.

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Altar Linens: Vera Tanner

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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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