



TULLOW PARISH CARRICKMINES NEWSLETTER

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A Happy, Safe and Peaceful Easter to All

APRIL 2022

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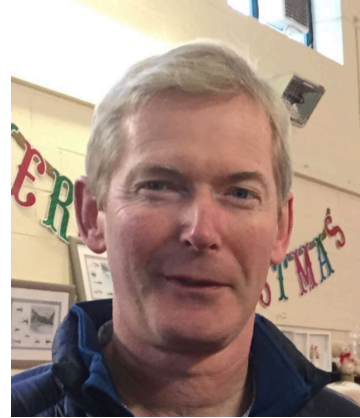
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The Rector

I am sure that I have mentioned this before, but I have to confess that there is something about Easter that makes it my favourite time of the year. We have passed the Vernal Equinox, Daylight Saving Time has commenced, and now the hours of daylight exceed the hours of darkness. Hopefully, the cold, dreary nights of winter are finally behind us for another season. All around us, the world of nature which had been in “hibernation” is dramatically coming back to life.

But Easter itself is the season of hope! And this year, there is an even greater need than ever for hope as we make efforts to adjust to a normality living with Covid-19, coupled with the humanitarian crisis caused by the brutal invasion of Ukraine by Russian forces which has and is causing widespread devastation and human suffering. Easter is the season when we celebrate with joy the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. And it is the resurrection of Jesus that make Christianity a unique faith of hope. By it, we as Christians have the hope that the sufferings of this life and even death is not the end of anything but rather another beginning. By it, we also have the assurance that the core message of John’s Gospel rings true, “God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life”. (John 3:16)

As we celebrate this Easter let us be aware of those still struggling with Covid-19, particularly those working in healthcare, and remember all who are suffering as a result of war and unrest. May we be inspired to show others through our actions what our faith of hope really means to us.



May the peace and hope of Christ be yours this Eastertide.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



Holy Week and Easter Services in Tullow

Palm Sunday 10th April

8:30am – Holy Communion

10:30am – A Service for Palm Sunday

Wednesday in Holy Week 13th April

10:30am – Matins with Litany

8:00pm – An Evening Service

Maundy Thursday 14th April

8:00pm – Holy Communion

Good Friday 15th April

8:00pm – An Evening Service

Easter Day Sunday 17th April

8:30am – Holy Communion

10:30am – Holy Communion

Easter General Vestry Sunday 3rd April After 10.30am Service

Don't forget that the Easter General Vestry is after the 10.30am Service on

Sunday 3rd April and will be held in the church. Coffee will be served there also. A new Select Vestry (committee) will be elected and the members will guide the Parish over the next year under the guidance of the Rector who is the Chair.

Come along and have your say about the future of the Parish. It does NOT mean you'll get landed with a job!



African Gospel Choir Tullow Church Saturday 9th April 8pm

At time of writing there are very few tickets left for this very special uplifting concert. Tickets are €15/20 and there may be a few left on Eventbrite.ie (search for African Gospel Choir) or contact Mandy Swanwick on 086 1532502 or Jane Bowes on 086 8418138 if you'd like to go on the waiting list.

Sponsored by Four Ferns Nursing Home and FACE (Foxrock Area Community and Enterprise), this concert is in aid of repairs to the church roof and Bray Women's Refuge.



Tulow Spring Fair Saturday 14th May

As mentioned last month, we're having a Spring Fair in May so please consider what you can do to help make the Fair a success.

Jams, marmalade, chutney, pate and breads are particularly needed for the Deli stall. The bottle stall needs bottles which don't have to be alcohol - sauces, soft drinks, oils etc are all welcome. If everyone brought one bottle the stall would be very well stocked!

Please contact the stall holders if you need items collected or wish to deliver them, otherwise they may be left at the back of the church on Sunday or Wednesday mornings.

Cakes - Jennifer Sowman **086 3154118**

Deli - Helen Burns **087 2338786**

Jewellery and accessories - Sandra Rhodes **086 8341267**

Anything New/Unwanted Gifts - Alison and Doug Notley

Pre-loved Clothes - Janet Moore **086 1713564** and Eileen Adams **087 2674406**

Teas and coffees - Vera Tanner

Books - Jane Bowes **086 8418138**

Bric à Brac - Leslie Ruttle **087 2344965**

Bottle Stall - Scott Ruttle

Toys - TBC

Games - Jeanette Mee

Raffle - Cleo Ellis **087 2648775**

Books and pre-loved clothes have to be sorted so please bring them **before** the day of the Fair.

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.

Contact Sandra Ruttle 087 2344964 if you've any queries.

Sandra Ruttle, Nigel Swanwick, Jane Bowes

Spring Fair Committee

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Service of Light on National Day of Remembrance and Reflection

Sunday 20th March was designated as the national day to remember all those lost to the pandemic, all those whose lives have been directly or indirectly impacted but also to give thanks for frontline workers, many of whom put their lives on the line to look after us and our families.

The Service of Light held in Tullow was one of the most poignant and moving Services experienced in a long time. The Rector's introduction, Alan's sermon and Mandy's readings, as well as specially chosen hymns, all contributed to a very memorable Service that was particularly suited to the occasion.

This was one of the readings:

When This is Over

When this is over,
may we never again
take for granted
a handshake with a stranger,
full shelves at a store,
conversations with neighbours,
a crowded cinema,
Friday night out,
the taste of communion,
a routine check-up,
the school rush each morning,
coffee with a friend,
each deep breath,
a boring Tuesday,
Life itself.
When this ends

may we find
that we have become
more like the people
we wanted to be
we were call to be
we hoped to be
and May we stay
that way - better
for each other.

Laura Kelly Fanucci

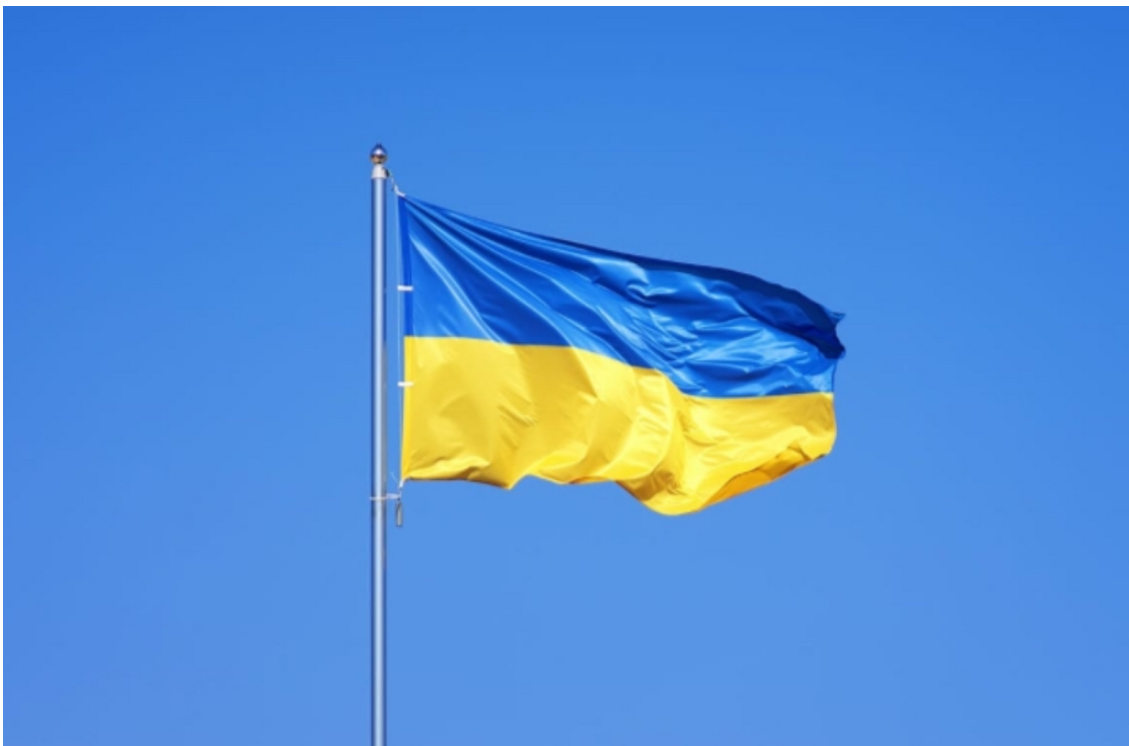
Daffodil Day

Daffodil Day is the major fund raiser for the Irish Cancer Society and the very generous sum of €290 was collected at coffee after church on Sunday 20th March. The Parish Hall was suitably decorated with yellow balloons and the tasty treats helped as well!

Thanks to Barbara and David Cooper and Mandy Swanwick.



St. Patrick's Day and Spring in Tullow



Helping Ukrainian Refugees

We're all horrified by the images on our screens of the appalling situation in Ukraine and the plight of the people who have had to abandon their homes and, in many cases their families and all they hold dear, and seek refuge in other countries.

So many people have already contributed money, food and other items to international organisations and local collections but when the call went out to Tullow parishioners a couple of weeks ago for bunk beds for refugees coming to the area the response was amazing - not only were the beds provided within minutes but so many people offered money, new bedding and other items. Those offers are being taken up in order to pay air fares to bring to Dublin some of the people who have managed to escape to Poland and other neighbouring countries. Unfortunately air fares have risen to an exorbitant level from some cities.

When a second call for help went out a week later asking for accommodation for a mother and daughter - a response was received within 10 minutes.

Thank you to all in Tullow who contributed and those who will contribute in the future.

Postlude

If you've been in the congregation at the 10.30am Service recently, or watch the livestream at home, you'll have noticed that Paul, our organist, now plays a 'postlude' i.e. a piece of music on the organ at the end of a Service. The congregation sits, listens and appreciates for a couple of minutes Paul's accomplished playing on the special instrument that is the Tullow organ. Each piece is specially chosen by Paul to match the season - if you're in Church on Easter Sunday you'll be treated to the Hallelujah Chorus.

PARISH ORGANISATION





YOGA CLASSES

FEEL STRETCHED, NOT STRESSED.

LOOKING FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

TULLOW CHURCH
HALL

MONDAY EVENINGS

8.15 - 9.15

6 CLASSES: €72.00

SUITABLE FOR ALL LEVELS

FOR MORE DETAILS

CALL CATHERINE

087 786 4853



Yoga Classes in the Parish Hall

Catherine is an experienced yoga teacher and is looking at the possibility of classes in the Parish Hall on Monday nights at 8.15pm. This is a class for adults and includes mat and floor work.

Please contact Catherine if you think you'd be interested in the class.

Badminton - Parish Hall Thursdays 8.00pm (note earlier starting time)

Even though numbers have been decimated by Covid in the last few weeks, those who play get great exercise, burn calories, increase their step count and have craic afterwards at tea - what more could anyone want?!

New members always welcome - just come along, racquet not necessary.

Don't forget: 8.00 o'clock start

Paddy Bowes 086 2585194



Evergreens Walking Club Sunday 8th May 12 noon

Last month seven ardent Evergreens set out from Kilmacanogue on the recently developed, or almost, track around the Great Sugar Loaf. The weather and views were perfect and steady progress was made on the uphill track. The summit was by-passed on this route. Recent rains had made it a little damp under foot, but recommended boots kept feet dry, though a mini stream on the descent track created murmurs of discontent. But all was forgotten over refreshments at the finish outside Plucks pub.

Next Walk: River Dodder and Grand Canal

Date: 8th May, after coffee at 12.00 noon.

We will have the last walk of the season on a flat route, by popular request! So all able bodies will be expected for this 2 hour walk along Dublin's historic waterways!

Donald Gill 087 1270592

Outreach - Bray Women's Refuge

Everyone at BWR was very grateful for the donations which were delivered a couple of weeks ago. Please keep them coming - store cupboard and hygiene items are especially needed. They can be left in the Outreach area on the left as you leave the church.

Hilary Cran

Tullow Book Club

Still Life by Sarah Winman.

The author of this book showed how the power of friendship and humour can get us through life's difficult times.

The storylines of the main characters, and the way it was written, kept the reader's attention. Very appropriate read for the times we live in.

The book choice for next month is *Hear No Evil* by Sarah Smith.

Vera Tanner

Tullow Bowls Club - Tuesdays 7.30pm Parish Hall

Indoor bowling every Tuesday evening. Tea about 9.00pm.

Contact Joan or Jonathan if you'd like to join us. New members always welcome.

Joan Darling 01 2855021 087 6182846

Jonathan Morton 01 2894121 085 7793250



Tullow Crafty Crew - Thursday Once a Month 2.30pm Parish Hall

The Crafty Crew met on 31st March in the Parish Hall. Sharon Wells from the Muddle Craft Shop in Bray gave a demonstration on Decoupage which was enjoyed by all. Our next session will be on Thursday, 28th April at 3 p.m. when we will have a surprise guest demonstrator. Watch this space for more news on this event. For information on the Crafty Crew and if you would like to join please email margaretbreadon2@gmail.com or call Margaret at 087 294 1078.

Tullow Fitness League for the Active Retired

We have been enjoying our new standing and chair-based workouts on Monday afternoons led by Fitness League instructor Yvonne McMahon. It is a fun way to exercise and strengthen from head to toe while moving to music.

There may be some limited places available, so if you'd like to give it a go contact Yvonne on 086 3900223

Classes are on Mondays 2.15- 3pm. €6 pay as you go.

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 morning; coffee and chat afterwards. All welcome.



An Easter Prayer

Lord our God, the resurrection of Your Son has given us new life and a renewed hope. Help us to live as new people in pursuit of the Christian life.

Grant us wisdom to know what we must do, the will to want to do it, the courage to undertake it, the perseverance to continue to do it and the strength to complete it; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The Role of a Rector *(2 minute read)*

No man is an island, entire of itself, every man is a piece of the continent, a part of the main'. This is the opening lines of a classic poem by John Donne written in 1624. In more recent times it was revived by anti-Brexit campaigners in the U.K., but can also be applied to Church structures. And so, the role of a parish

Rector must reflect this, supporting the wider Church of Ireland and ecumenical Christian mission. I have previously written an article for this Newsletter entitled, 'A day in the life of a parish Rector', but will now outline in this article some of my 'extra-curricular' activities as a Rector.

As part of supporting the wider Church structure, I was appointed Rural Dean of Monkstown Deanery in 2012. At the time of appointment, it meant the oversight of 10 parishes (including Tullow). However, this burden was considerably lightened in 2013 during a double parish vacancy, when the Monkstown Deanery was divided in two (North and South). The role of Rural Dean is generally not too onerous except when vacancies occur. As I write, a vacancy is now commencing in Dalkey Parish as the Rev. Bruce Hayes takes up the role as Dean of Waterford. I would like to take this opportunity to wish him every blessing as he moves to Waterford. It is the responsibility of the Rural Dean to ensure regular life and Services, as far as possible, continue week by week and so a roster has to be drawn up. In the current climate, this has the added complication of a combination of Covid and an unprecedented number of vacancies in the United dioceses coupled with a number of long-term clergy illnesses. Because of this, it will be necessary for me to cover occasional Sunday Services in Dalkey. It also means that I will have to provide pastoral cover for the parish, chair Select Vestry meetings (including the Easter General Vestry), chair School Board meetings, celebrate Thursday morning Holy Communion Services and regularly visit Our Lady's Manor Nursing Home.

This brings me to Hospital/Nursing Home Chaplaincy. When I became Rector of Tullow I was also appointed as a part-time Chaplain to Leopardstown Park Hospital. I became a fully accredited Hospital Chaplain in December 2018 as the United Dioceses transitioned their wider hospital chaplaincy programme from ad-hoc to a professional level. In addition to Leopardstown Park Hospital, I now also hold the Church of Ireland Chaplaincy of St. Colmcille's Hospital, Loughlinstown and the National Rehabilitation Hospital. In conjunction with a team of diocesan clergy, I also provide out-of-hours emergency chaplaincy cover for all of Dublin's acute hospitals on a rota basis.

I have been the Diocesan Director of Lay Ministry since 2009. In this role I have the responsibility to recruit and train suitable candidates for various forms of Lay Ministry including Diocesan Lay Reader and Parish Reader. Pre-Covid, this involved, in conjunction with a Lay Ministry Guild secretary and committee, organising regular Guild activities and training days including an A.G.M. I am looking forward to presenting one of our parishioners, Mandy Swanwick, for Commissioning and Licencing as a Diocesan Lay Reader later this year!

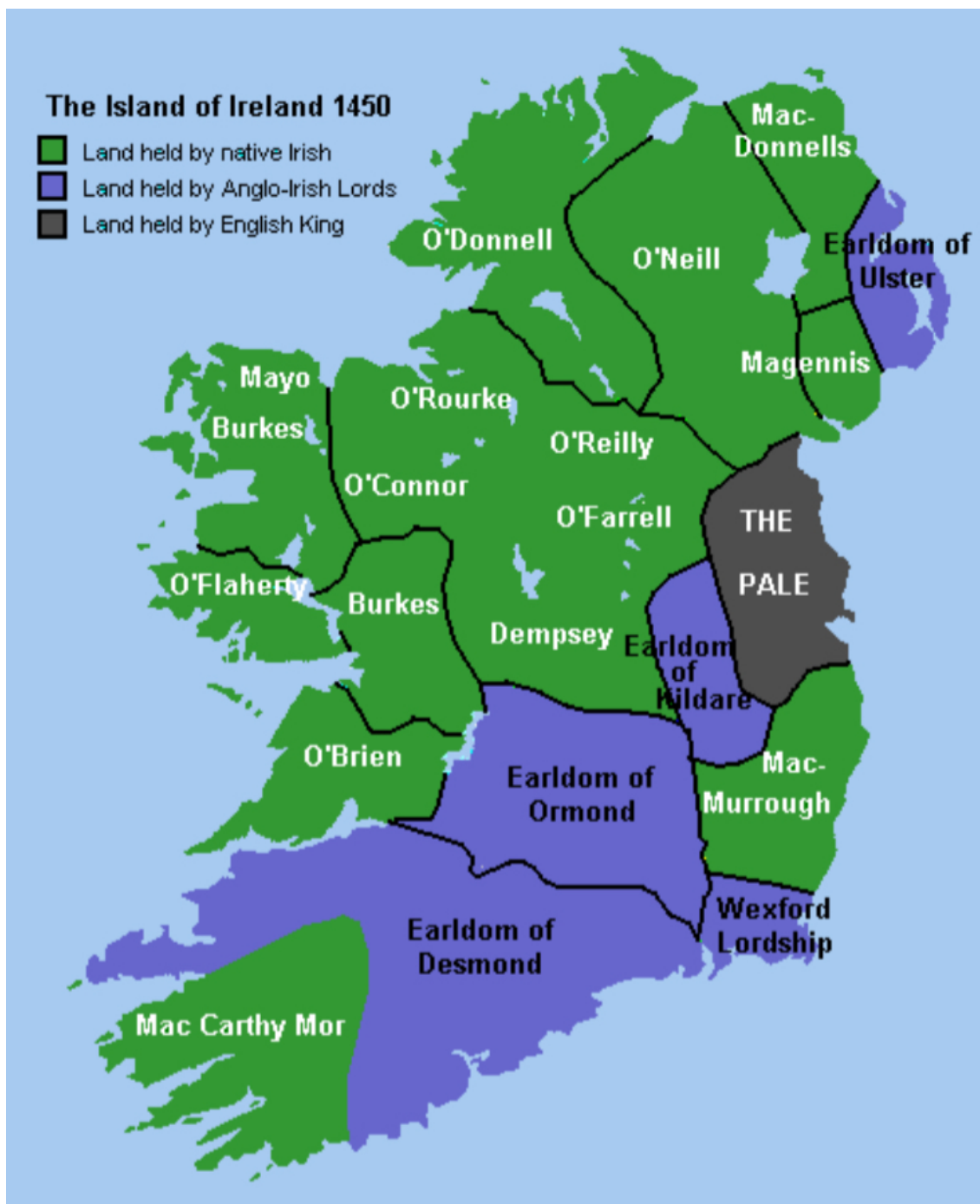
At an ecumenical level, I have sat on the board of the National Bible Society of Ireland since 2008. When I took that seat, the Bible Society's mission was

mainly focused on its 'Bestsellers' Bookshop in Dawson Street.

However, following a full review of activities in 2016, it was discovered that ever-increasing accumulated losses of the shop were in danger of bankrupting the Society. Accordingly, the difficult decision to close the shop and make its staff redundant had to be taken. It also meant the Board had to take a much more hands-on approach to running the Society. Thankfully the Board has now succeeded in getting the finances to a much more secure footing (albeit with bank borrowings) and the Society can look forward to a much brighter future. Along with two others, I am currently a trustee of the Society.

The above are just some of my non-parish based activities.

Rev. John Tanner, Rector



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 if you find any.

Thanks to Ken Gregory for this fascinating piece about the origin of some popular surnames - not too many Chesters or Kinsales around now but anyone called Tanner?!

Towards the end of the 13th century there was a tendency on the part of English settlers throughout the country to congregate in the district around Dublin which became known as 'The English Land'. This district was limited, roughly speaking, by the Wicklow mountains to the south, by the Mourne mountains to the north and by Westmeath to the west. About a century later the

English land became known as 'The Pale'. Thereafter there was a general shrinkage of these lands due to the encroachment of the natives until by 1515 it included only portions of the four counties, Dublin, Kildare, Meath and Louth. With a view to anglicising such Irish as lived within the Pale, it was enacted in 1465 that every Irishman dwelling among Englishmen "shall go like to one Englishman in apparel, and shave off his beard above the mouth, and shall be within one year sworn the liege man to the King and shall take to him an English surname of one town, as Sutton, Chester, Trim, Shrine, Cork or Kinsale; or colour, as white, black or brown; or art or science, as smith or carpenter; or office as cook, butler etc. and he and his issue shall use this name, under pain of forfeiting his goods yearly". Hope you found that interesting.

Ken Gregory

Image courtesy of Wikipedia

Foxrock Local History Club

FLHC have a couple of interesting talks in April

Tuesday 12th April 8pm via Zoom

Dún Laoghaire Street Names. Speaker: Michael O'Flaherty

Tuesday 19th April 8pm In Foxrock Pastoral Centre and also on Zoom

Liam Devlin - tough times, toffees and textiles. Speaker: John Healy

More information on www.foxrocklocalhistory.ie



Spring into Heritage

From April 4th to May 1st heritage treasures of Dún Laoghaire Rathdown will be open via a series of guided walks and tours.

All tours are free but must be booked

on <https://webcloudone.com/dlrheritageevents>

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.

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.

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

Lay Minister: Alan Rhodes

Rector's Church Warden: Leslie Ruttle

People's Church Warden: Ken Gregory

Rector's Glebe Warden: Ernie Porter

People's Glebe Warden: Chris Wojnar

Pastoral Assistant: Patricia Stewart

Organist: Dr Paul McNulty

Parish Treasurer: Don Beck

Select Vestry Secretary: Jane Bowes

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, Barbara Cooper, Bob Willis, Paddy Bowes
Flower Rota: Sandra Ruttle
Bell Ringer: David Cooper
Church of Ireland Review: Jill Malcolm
Badminton: Paddy Bowes
Bowls Club: Jonathan Morton
Tullow Friends: Cleo Ellis
Tullow Book Club: Vera Tanner
Altar Linens: Vera Tanner

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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