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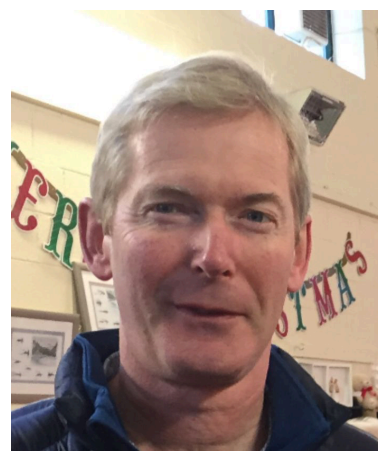
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The Rector Writes

As I sit to write this Newsletter, we have been through a busy time but a busy schedule over the coming weeks still awaits! The build up to Easter and Easter Day itself have now come and gone.

In that regard, I would like to thank all those who participated and contributed to make it such a special time – especially to our Diocesan Lay Ministers, Alan Rhodes and Mandy Swanwick, to our team of flower arrangers under the direction of Sandra Ruttle and to the choir under the direction of our organist Nathan Whitley. The Easter General Vestry 2024 has now also been consigned to history and the results of the elections may be found elsewhere in this Newsletter.

On Friday 10th and Saturday 11th May inclusive, the General Synod of the Church of Ireland will meet in Armagh City Hotel. Whilst the agenda for Synod does not appear to have anything which should prove too controversial, it is still a comprehensive order of business which will



ensure a busy two days with a further evening Zoom meeting on Tuesday 14th May to complete the business of Synod. Besides the usual reports of the Representative Church Body, Standing Committee and the Board of Education, there is time allocated for topics as diverse as Mission and Ministry to Anglican and Ecumenical and Interfaith relations. There will also be a number of Bills as well as private member motions to be considered.

The continuing harrowing scenes of death, deprivation and suffering in Gaza, as well as the continuing conflict in Ukraine continues to dominate international news headlines. Let us pray that sanity will prevail and that a peaceful solution may be found to these worrying crises sooner rather than later.

Finally, local and European elections are scheduled for early next month. In any democracy, the onus of responsibility falls on the electorate to ensure it gets the representation it deserves. In times past many have criticised the E.U. of being undemocratic and it could be argued that it was promoted as one of the fundamental arguments for Brexit.

Therefore, these elections take on a particular importance and significance to ensure that people turn out to vote and I would urge everyone to exercise their democratic responsibility on polling day.

From the Registers:

Holy Baptism

Sunday 14th April – Remi Sallie, daughter of Kieron and Karen Lemen.
May Remi grow in the Christian faith into which she has been baptised.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



Let's Celebrate Summer!

Saturday 8th June Parish Hall 7.30pm for 8.00pm

Come join us for a delicious Summer Supper and enjoy a lovely evening filled with food, good company, and lots of fun. We have nearly 100 seats to fill so round up friends and family for the perfect opportunity to relax and socialise.

Bring your own wine/beer. €35 per person for main course, dessert, tea/coffee

Contact:

Alan Rhodes - alanwrhodes@gmail.com, Sheila Meredith - sheila@sheilamltd.ie, Jane Bowes - bowesjane91@gmail.com

You can pay by cash or cheque (payable to Tullow Parish) to any of the above or transfer €35 to Tullow Parish bank account IBAN IE 77 BOFI [90118380669280](#) but **remember to put your full name** or we won't know who has sent money!



Parish Work Party Saturday 18th May 10am - 1pm

As in other years we're having a work morning to do some painting, cleaning and tidying in the church grounds. If you're free on the morning of Saturday 18th May put on your old clothes and come along at 10am - we need pairs of hands and there's usually a good laugh as well as cake!

Gift Day

Gift Day Saturday 18th May

In Tullow Parish the Gift Day is the largest single source of income in the year and has the added advantage of enabling us to claim tax back from the Revenue Commissioners. While the Select Vestry encourages people to give what they can, we are very grateful for the generosity shown by so many parishioners.

The church will be open from 10am to 1pm on Saturday 17th and provides an opportunity to drop in, have a cup of tea or coffee and chat with the Rector. The Parish Work Party is also on that morning.

Envelopes with your contribution may be placed in the special box at the back of the church, put on the collection plate at any Service or given to the Rector or Treasurer Don Beck. The Select Vestry extends its deepest thanks and appreciation in advance for your support of this important fund-raising effort.

NEWS



Easter General Vestry Sunday 7th April

The Rector's Presidential Address has been emailed to all parishioners on the parish email list. If you didn't receive it please contact the secretary to the Select Vestry bowesjane91@gmail.com.

These are the results of nominations and elections held at the Easter General Vestry:

Election of Select Vestry:

The following were proposed and seconded as members of the Select Vestry – Don Beck, Jane Bowes, Margaret Breadon, Hilary Cran, Donald Gill, Sheila Meredith, Alan Rhodes, Sandra Ruttle, Patricia Stewart, Mandy Swanwick.

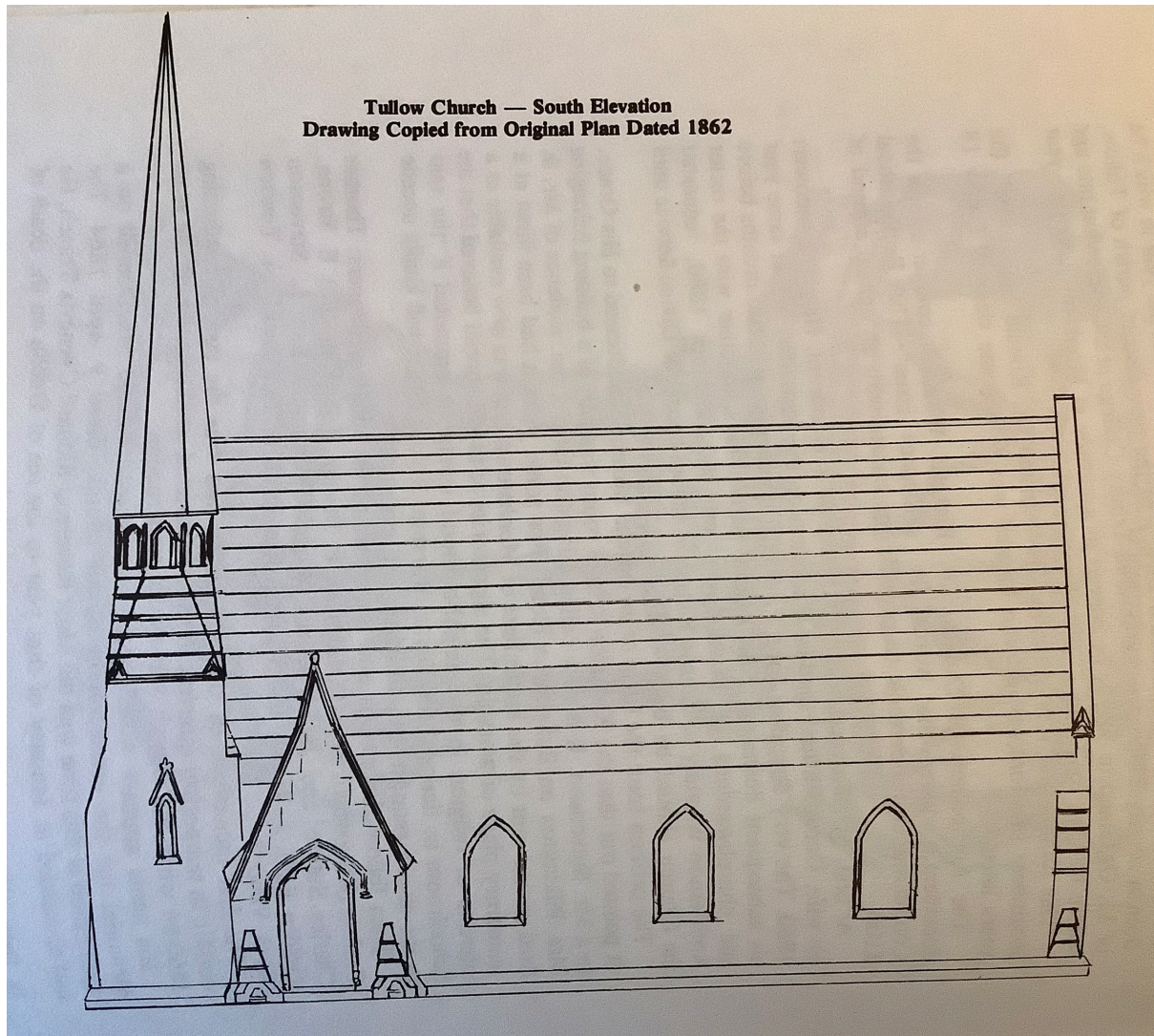
Nomination of Rector's Church Warden: Nigel Swanwick

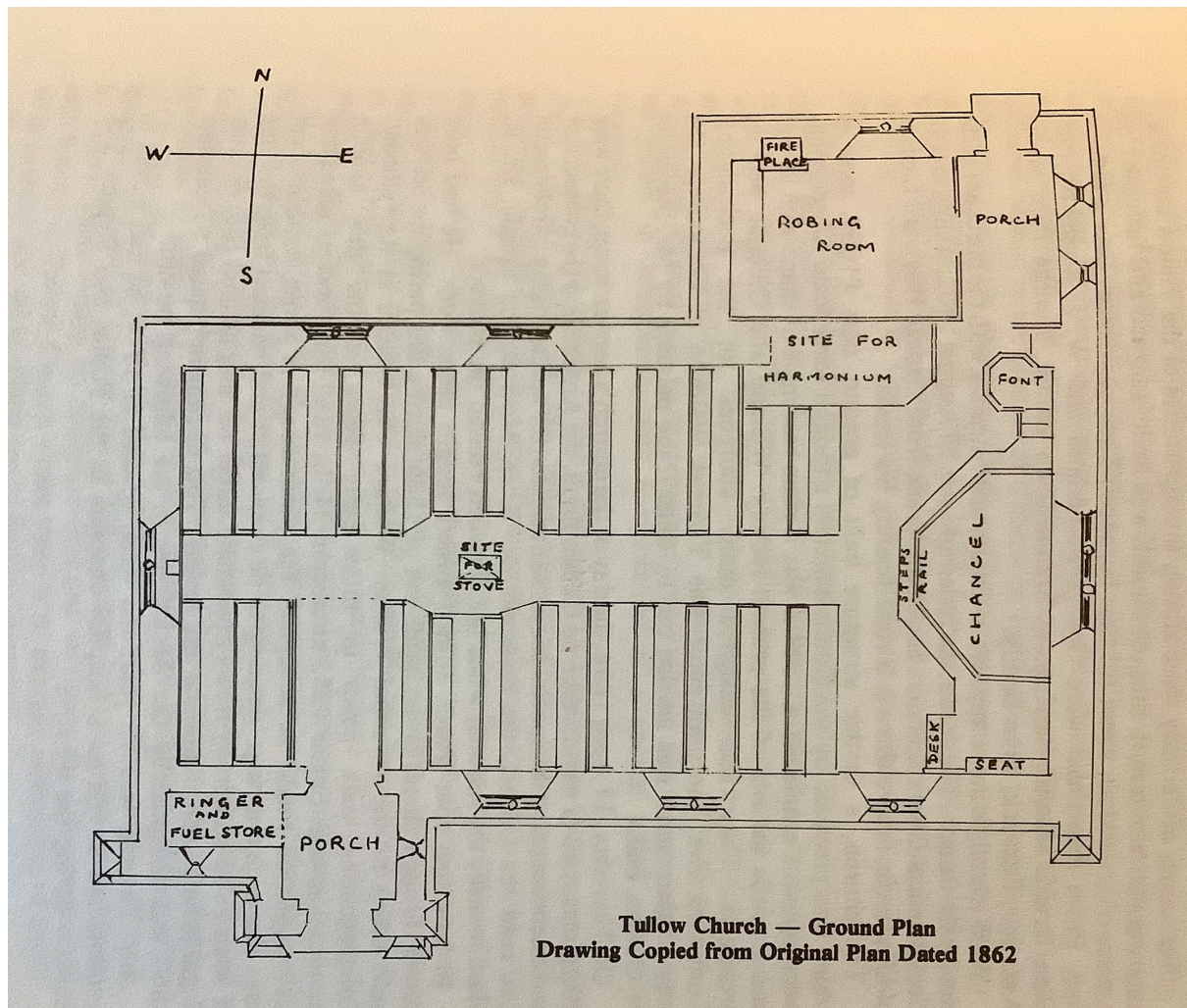
Nomination of Rector's Glebe Warden: Ernie Porter

Election of People's Church Warden: Torren Gale, the existing church warden, indicated his availability. There being no other nomination, Torren was deemed elected.

Election of People's Glebe Warden: Chris Wojnar, the existing glebe warden, indicated his availability. There being no other nomination Chris was deemed elected.

At a subsequent brief meeting of the new Select Vestry Don Beck was proposed and seconded as Parish Treasurer. Jane Bowes was proposed and seconded as Secretary to the Select Vestry.





Tullow Church is 160 Years Old

On Thursday 14th April 1864 the church was consecrated by the Archbishop of Dublin the Most Reverend Richard Chenevix Trench. 200 people were present, 60 of whom received Communion and the Rector was Rev John Fawcett who had been a curate in Taney.

The church is built of granite and cost £1,000, most of which was provided by the Ecclesiastical Commissioners although some local subscriptions were added. Welland and Gillespie were the architects and Thomas Waldron of Glencullen was the contractor.

As can be seen from the plans, the church looked different then. The present Tower door was the main door and the altar was under the window in the right transept. The church was enlarged and reorientated in 1904 and the porch was added in the 1960s.

Taken from *Tullow's Story* by G.O. Simms 1983.



Evergreens Walking Club

Our last walk of the season (Evergreen's season!) was held on 21st April on a bright spring day. 7 Evergreens walked uphill from Ballinastoe car park through forests with bright new leaves while the finches and robins chirped happily. We reached the J B Malone memorial stone and stopped for lunch under warm sunshine while admiring the mountains across Lough Tay far below. Our return was by board walks on the Wicklow Way before cutting back into the forests. We were refreshed in the coffee shack set up to serve the many mountain cyclists.

Next walk will be arranged at end September/October.

Donald Gill [087 1270592](tel:0871270592)

Garden of Remembrance

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.

Confirmations

On Sunday 19th May, three candidates from the parish are due to be confirmed by the Archbishop in Christ Church Cathedral. Please keep Mabel, Oscar and Malayka in your prayers as they make this important step in their faith journey.



Feis Winner

Congratulations to Nathan Whitely, our talented organist, who won the Stanford Prize in the recent Feis Ceoil. Nathan performed in front of the judges in St.

Batholomew's Church, Clyde Road, Ballsbridge. "Terrific and well deserved the win" was the verdict of some of the choir members who went to support him.





Tullow Book Club 20th Birthday

Tullow Book Club members celebrated their 20 year anniversary with lunch at The Gables on Saturday 6th April.

On that day they also met Selina Guinness who is the author of *The Crocodile by the Door*, one of the many books they've enjoyed over the years.

Here's to many more years of reading 📖

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

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 May

Sunday 5th - Barbara and David Cooper
Sunday 12th - Jeannette Mee and Grit Tyrrell
Sunday 19th - Jenny and Hugh Moulton
Sunday 26th - Eileen and Richard Adams

Thanks so much to those who volunteered for May, now volunteers for June are needed please.

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 8pm Parish Hall

Members are looking forward to an end of season bbq and playing will finish on 16th May. We'll be back in September though and welcoming new members. Tullow Badminton Club is a fun way to exercise and new members are always welcome. We're not hugely competitive and we enjoy a good laugh.

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

Outreach - Bray Women's Refuge

New underwear and nightclothes for women and children are 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 Figurine by Victoria Hislop.

The main setting for this book was in Athens, which straight away was the feel-good factor. The plot had a strong and promising start but quite early in the book, it weakened.

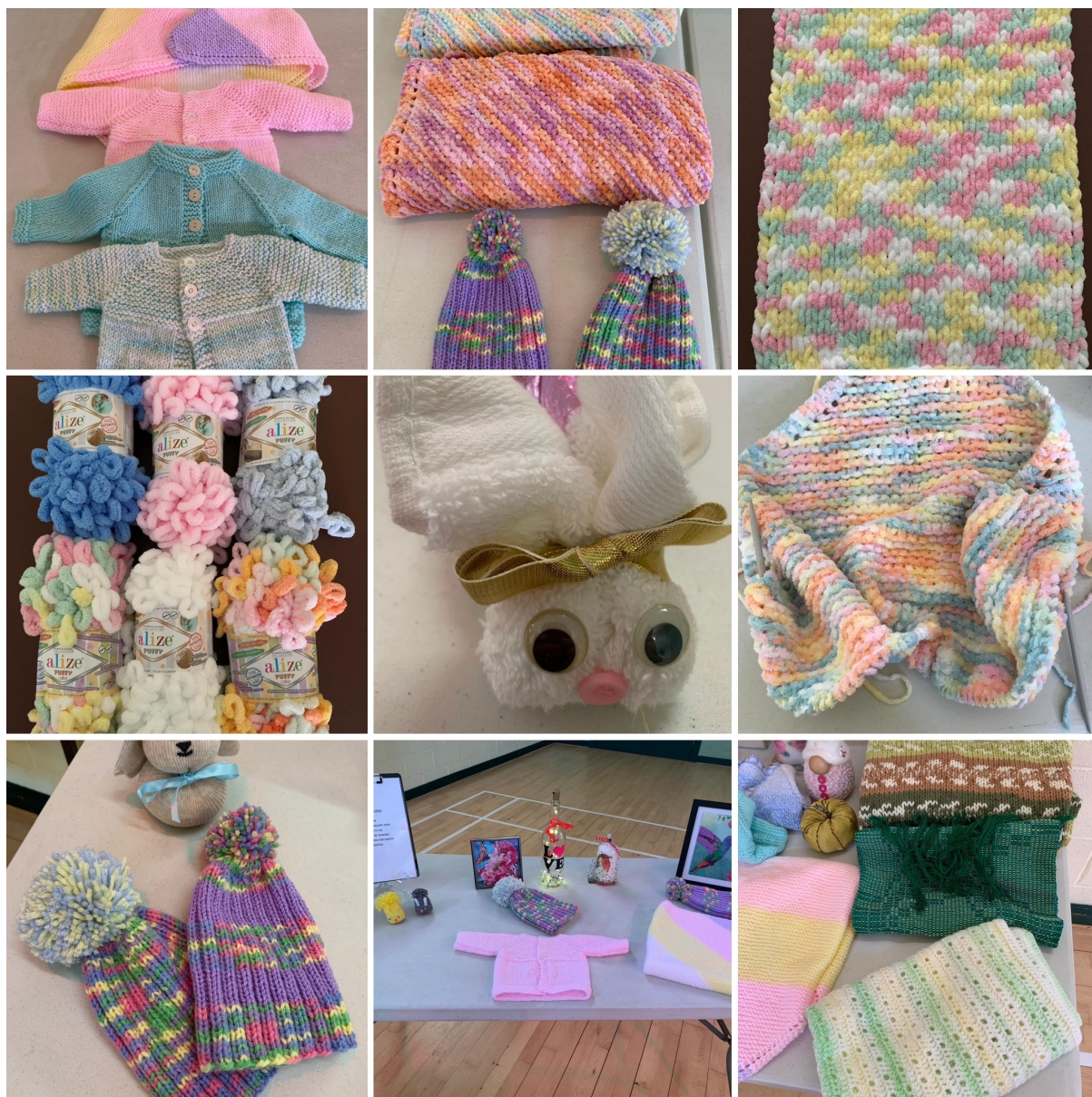
Victoria still gets high marks for historical content, but there is a concern that her plots are becoming predictable.

Rules of Civility by Amor Towles, is the book choice for May meeting.

Tullow Bowls Club Parish Hall

Tullow Indoor Bowls club is having a summer break. It will be back in September. New members are always welcome.

For further information contact



Tullow Crafty Crew Parish Hall Thursday 25th April

10 people attended the April crafting session. The photos show some of the work done over the last few weeks. The last meeting of the season will be on Thursday 23rd May.

Margaret Breadon [087 2941078](tel:0872941078)

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.

Irish Dancing Classes for Children

With the renowned Chaney Farrell Academy. Mondays at 4.30pm. New pupils are welcome. Online registration at www.irishdancingclasses.ie

Yoga Classes

Catherine has classes on Mondays. 8 weeks for €96. 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)

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

The Fitness League

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

Low impact, whole body movement standing and chair-based exercise classes.

Improve your cardiovascular fitness and function as well as your posture, strength, balance and coordination - all to a variety of music.

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

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)



An Ascension and Pentecostal Prayer

Almighty God,

when Christ ascended into heaven to reign with you in power and glory,
you sent the Spirit of truth to guide us into the way, the truth, and the life of
Christ.

Let your Spirit, our Advocate, guide us still —

preserving us from judgment,

protecting us from wrongdoing,

and leading us into righteousness,
so that we may testify to the good news of
fullness of life and joy for all;
this we pray through Jesus Christ our Saviour
and in the unity of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.



Foxrock c1945

A photo of members of the LDF (Local Defence Force) in Foxrock Village outside what is now Thomas' shop. Set up as an army reserve during the Emergency (WW2), at its peak the LDF nationally reached over 100,000 members, it was disbanded in early 1946.

This photo is courtesy of Henry from the Irish Vintage Radio and Sound Society



FOXROCK LOCAL HISTORY CLUB

The History Club's Next Public Lecture is on: -

TUESDAY 21ST MAY 2024

IN THE FOXROCK PASTORAL CENTRE @ 8.00 P.M.

A NIGHT OF ARTIFACTS



Members will bring along an artifact of historical interest and give a brief 5-minute talk on its place in history or heritage or general family significance. If you intend to bring along an item to this night, please let the club know (via below e-mail address) so we can ensure this is covered in the talk on the various items.

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.

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 Whitely

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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