

# Kiltegan Tidy Towns

This year we increased our points by eight which is great progress. In the past five years we have increased our overall points from 294 (2017) to 331 (2022). Every point is hard earned. As a very small working group we would love to have more input from the entire Kiltegan community. If everyone does a little bit, there is not as much pressure on a select few and we all want our community to prosper. Areas which we are struggling to develop and requires more involvement to improve are:

1. Nature and Biodiversity In Our Locality – is there anyone in the community that would be willing to make some bee/insect hotels or has other ideas in this area?
2. Sustainability – Doing More With Less – Who has ideas on what we could do in the community to develop our level of sustainability?
3. Also, we would love to develop a heritage trail signposting all the beautiful heritage sites in our area e.g. Kilranelagh, Humewood etc.,. Do we have any historians or people who would be interested in guiding this project?

If you can help in any capacity please contact Paula Boland (086) 6861271 or Teresa Nolan or message our Facebook page.



	Maximum Mark	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	Increase Since 2017
Community – Your Planning and Involvement	80	40	40	42	C O V I D - N O  R E S U L T	44	46	+6
Streetscape & Public Places	80	39	40	41		43	44	+5
Green Spaces and Landscaping	80	39	39	40		41	42	+3
Nature and Biodiversity in your Locality	55	20	21	23		24	25	+5
Sustainability – Doing more with less	55	14	15	16		17	18	+4
Tidiness and Litter Control	90	64	66	68		70	71	+7
Residential Streets & Housing Areas	55	36	37	38		39	39	+3
Approach Roads, Streets & Lanes	55	42	43	44		45	46	+4
<b>Total Mark</b>	<b>550</b>	<b>294</b>	<b>301</b>	<b>312</b>	<b>312</b>	<b>323</b>	<b>331</b>	<b>+37</b>



Contact us @ The Focus Kiltegan

<https://www.facebook.com/TheFocusKiltegan> e-mail: [focuskiltegan@hotmail.com](mailto:focuskiltegan@hotmail.com) (059) 6473330

Ads can also be dropped into the post box @ The Community Employment Office in Kiltegan. To place an ad costs €2.00.

# FOCUS KILTEGAN



06<sup>th</sup> November 2022

## INNER CHILD WORKSHOP



**Venue:** Slí an Chroí, St. Patrick's, Kiltegan  
**Date:** Saturday November 26th, 10.00am-5pm & Sunday, November 27th, 10.00am-4pm.  
**Facilitator:** Donal Spring  
**Cost:** Workshop only €80.  
 Workshop + 2 midday meals: €110  
 Workshop + accommodation +meals: €180  
**Register:** Before Nov.21st  
**Contact:** [slianchroi@spms.ie](mailto:slianchroi@spms.ie) or 0894040102

## CONDOLENCES

A link in the chain of Kiltegan Intermediate Hurling team of 1975 that won the first ever County Intermediate Hurling Championship was broke on Sunday with the death of Fr. Martin O'Connell, St. Patricks Missionary Society, Kiltegan.

Fr. Martin joined our hurling team as a student in 1974, a fine hurler he could play in many positions. He played at number 15 on the winning 1975 double team, scoring a point in the final. He was joint top scorer for the senior team in 1976 scoring 1-10. He played three games in 1977 when he was ordained to the priesthood and missionary life. A native of Clare Galway, Co. Galway, Martin was a true gentleman on and off the field. Whenever he returned on holidays from the missions he would make inquires as to how the hurling was doing and there might be a quiet request for an All Ireland Hurling ticket if his native Galway were playing. We offer our sympathies to his family friends and fellow priests, Fr. Martin was laid to rest on Thursday in the Society graveyard.

**Ar dheis De go raibh a anam uasal.**



**TYNOCK & TALBOTSTOWN**  
**Fr. Pat O'Brien Fr. John McEvoy**  
**059 9161114**

Mass in the oratory Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday mornings @ 9.30am.

Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> November @ 9.30am Tynock  
 Reader: Lucilla Brophy  
**Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> November @ 6.00pm Tynock**  
**Months mind for Larry Daly, & Billy Ronayne**

Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> November @ 9.30am Talbotstown  
**Anniversaries: Ann (Nan) Kenny (1st)**  
**Mary Ryan (3rd)**  
 Reader: Siobhan Doyle

Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> November @ 9.30am Tynock  
 Reader: Mary Byrne  
**Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> November @ 6.00pm Talbotstown**  
 Reader: Mary Kelly, Feddan.

Talbotstown & Tynock Church Collection

Offertory: €38.90 Envelopes: €284.86

*To book anniversaries for:*  
 Tynock: Mary -086 2261264  
 Talbotstown: Josie -059 64 73971

## CONDOLENCES

We offer sincere condolences to Fr. Tomas O'Connor, his fellow Society Priests and the family, relatives and friends of Fr. Gregory McManus whose funeral took place in St. Patrick's, Kiltegan.

**Ar dheis De go raibh a anam uasal.**  
 We offer sincere sympathy to Maebh, Grace and Oscar and to the LeMahieu family and their relatives, neighbours and friends on the sad passing of Charles during the week. Charles funeral took place in Talbotstown on Wednesday.

**May he rest in peace**



## KILTEGAN GAA & CAMOGIE NEWS



08-21-28-29



NO winner €4,200  
4 match 3's €50 each

Mary Kenny seller Danny Byrne  
Edel Nolan seller Madeline Foley  
James Byrne seller Pat Ivory  
Angela Keogh online

Next draw Monday 7<sup>th</sup> November  
in Kiltegan Hall @ 8.00pm  
Tickets €2 each.

New promoters welcome.

**JACKPOT €4,400**

### Kiltegan GAA A.G.M 2022

Kiltegan GAA Club will hold their Annual General Meeting (A.G.M) on Friday 11th November in St Tegan's Hall.

Mass for deceased members will be held in St. Tegan's Hall at 7pm followed by the AGM. All are welcome.

If anyone has nominations or motions to the AGM, please contact our club secretary Paula via email to [secretary.kiltegan.wicklow@gaa.ie](mailto:secretary.kiltegan.wicklow@gaa.ie)

or phone (086) 6861271

to request the appropriate form.

Forms must be returned by **November 4th 2022.**

### Looking Back to over 50 years of Hurling in Kiltegan GAA Club.

The first hurling team to be affiliated was in 1970, we played one game in the West Junior Hurling Championship in Baltinglass and lost to Hollywood 7-06 to 4-05. One dozen hurleys cost the club eight shillings each, one dozen hurling balls fifteen shillings. Insuring the team cost three pounds. When the team returned back to Kiltegan that day some of the "hurlers on the ditch" as we call them passed the remark that secretary Timmins would have fire wood for the winter. In 1971 hurling made small progress we played five matches that year. More players were joining the club especially the students from St. Patricks Collage and some players from outside clubs came to give hurling a try, students and one priest from St. Patricks who played were Richard Burke, Mick Murphy, Kieran Bermingham and Fr. Mc Henry. Sean Byrne from Donard and Sean Walsh, Mick Scotch Moore, Kevin Holden from Stratford played one game. Fr. PJ McDonald CC Baltinglass and in later years PP of Hacketstown, Paddy Cullen, Martin Coleman, Peter McGrath, and Joe Doyle who had come to work in Quinns Baltinglass all played during the year.

Jerry McCarney Hacketstown came to Baltinglass to referee us against Hollywood in a league match and was pressured into playing, which left West Board Secretary Peter Keogh with the head ache of looking for another referee which delayed the start of the game. We played 5 games, won 2, drew 1, lost 2, scored 14 goals 34 points against was 19 goals 30 points. Nat Pearson was top scorer with 4 goals and 14 points.

We drew with Hollywood in the West Junior Hurling Championship 1-07 to 3-01, and won the replay 2-06 to 1-06. We were now in the first ever County Junior Hurling Semi Final. The first time since 1929 a Kiltegan team would be crossing the hills to play on the sacred county grounds in Aughrim. Because of long delays on the other side of the county the game would not be played until the following year 1972, the same was also true of the West League final which we were also in.

At our November club meeting there was a request that the club buy more hurleys in case some of the matches were played and there was a chance of challenge match against Castledermot. The club treasurer Larry Daly (RIP) dug his heels in and said he would buy no more hurls as he had bought two sets already. The late Pa Leary left the meeting in protest followed by Mick Ryan, Sean Keogh and Nat Pearson were very vocal, after much debate the meeting agreed with the treasurer and was bought to a close. We all looked forward to the next year.

The following letter was sent to the secretary 1971,

Dear Peter & John,

Please have the following u16 hurling team entered in the Wicklow Championship for 1971  
Pat Cremin, Pat Hourigan, Richard Harmon, Pat Foley, Michael Foley John Lawlor, John Bowes, Michael Keegan, Michael Farrell, Martin Whelan, Tom Brophy, Pat Dunne, John Farrell, Hugh Coogan, Edward Bowes and Noel Kilcoyne.

Yours sincerely Matty Pearson.

**More to follow next week**

## THE GOOD LIFE COOKERY SCHOOL



Freezer meal prep class.  
5 meals that will feed 4+ people.  
All healthy. No fast food.  
We supply the ingredients,  
you prepare the meals, best part is  
you get to take the prepared meals  
home freezer ready.

We will provide you with recipes to help you at home.

**When:** Friday, November 18th

**Where:** The Good Life Cookery School, Rathvilly, R93C564.

**Time:** 8.00pm to 11.00pm. Cost €150



### PARISH LOTTO (Kildare & Leighlin Co-Op Lotto)

**10-13-17-22**

**No €10,000 jackpot winner**

**11 Match 3's €91 each one local winners.**

No local winners

Draw takes place each Wednesday  
at 4pm in the

Parish Centre, Portlaoise.

Next draw Wednesday 26th October.

Tickets €2 each. New promoters welcome.

**Jackpot €11,000**

## Christmas Cookery Demonstration

4th & 5th November 2022 at 7.30pm  
St. Peter's Parish Centre Kiltegan

Presented by Maggie Roche from  
"The Today Show" and owner of  
"The Little Acorn"



Commencing at 7.30pm  
Demonstration starts at 8pm.  
Complimentary Glass of Mulled Wine,  
Tastes and treats from Maggie  
Food & Crafts stalls -  
Raffle - Excellent prizes  
Light entertainment & refreshments

Tickets priced at €25 and are available from  
Little Acorn Baltinglass & Hair affairs by  
Joanne Hacketstown and from Muriel Hobson  
086 1248922 or Rev. R Jones 085 2573139

Proceeds in aid of Moyne Church

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### Ramblers and Social Dancing returns to Rathdangan Hall.



The popular Ramblers sessions will  
return to Rathdangan Hall on Friday  
2nd of December at 8.30 pm.

A great evening of music, song, stories  
and craic.

Social dancing returns to Rathdangan on  
Saturday 12th November music by  
Bobby B

Dance night in December is  
Saturday 10th December.

For full details of everything happening in  
Rathdangan see

[www.facebook.com/rathdangan](http://www.facebook.com/rathdangan)

### Special Kildare Pilgrimage

Fatima 9th—14th June ex Dublin  
for the Feast Day of Saint Anthony,  
Patron Saint of Portugal, visiting  
Saint Anthony's Baptismal Font and  
the place where he was born in  
Lisbon.

Contact James Treacy 061-921470

