

West Wicklow Community Employment CLG would like to wish everyone in the communities in which we work a very Happy Christmas. Thank you to all the participants on our community employment scheme who contribute greatly to the communities in which they work.



POWERSWEEPS

Powersweeping from your fire place, stove or cooker. Professional chimney sweeps with the latest equipment.

**No mess No fuss
Clean and efficient.**

Stoves also fitted by a trained Hetas fitter, cowels and crow guards also fitted. To book your sweep or get a quote contact

**Dave 083 3927695
or
Will 083 1255548**



POSITIONS AVAILABLE



CLEANER

"Scoil Treasa Naofa" Tynock

are seeking a cleaner. This role will be for 10-12 hours per week spread over 5 afternoons or evenings. School Term. A full list of duties can be secured by



emailing tynockapplications@gmail.com. Please contact Aisling at the above email address or 0596473210 with any questions. The successful applicant will be required to complete the Garda Vetting process.



CHILDMINDER

Polish-Irish family, looking for a babysitter/childminder for two young children (3yrs & 10 months) to look after in their own home, in Talbotstown.

Needs to have own car as 3year old attends preschool in Kiltegan, Monday to Friday and be pet friendly as dogs part of the family.

Please contact Monika on 086 4575846.



Ho ho ho!

Email: focuskiltegan@hotmail.com <http://www.facebook.com> Phone: 059 6473330
Ads can also be dropped into the post box @ The Community Employment Office in Kiltegan.
To place an ad costs €2.00. All notices must be received before 3pm on Wednesday for inclusion that week.

FOCUS KILTEGAN



24TH DECEMBER 2023

A Christmas Message from Msgr. John McEvoy

"As we celebrate Christmas and end 2023, I reflect on a busy year in our Kiltegan Rathvilly Parish Community. We have shared times of joy and sorrow. We have marked notable anniversaries and coped with our share of disappointments. We have marked the end of the ministry of Fr Pat O'Brien SPS on our parish team and extended our best wishes to him for the next chapter of his life in High Park. I would like to wish you all and the members of your extended families every blessing of joy and happiness at Christmas and in the year 2024.

I wish to acknowledge the assistance of a great number of people in helping in our liturgies and parish celebrations. Thanks to our sacristans, musicians, readers, collectors, ministers, parish council members and to all who assist in any way in the building up of our parish and community. Looking forward to building on our strengths into the future as we push out into the Deep! I invite people of all age groups to offer their services in any way you might like to help. Forging a future with our neighbouring parish of Baltinglass is a project you can all help in. Together we are stronger."

Kiltegan Tidy Towns



A very well attended meeting was held in St. Tegan's Hall on Thursday 7th December. The latest adjudication report was discussed. Many positive ideas were debated on how Kiltegan village, GAA complex, approach roads and housing estates could reach their full potential in the Tidy Town project for the coming years.

A meeting will take place in the GAA carpark on Thursday morning 28th December @ 10.00am. Everyone interested in the village project is asked to come along and have an input for the year ahead.



TYNOCK & TALBOTSTOWN
Fr. John McEvoy
059 9161114

Saturday 23rd December Talbotstown 6.00pm
Note change of date and time

Reader: Breedh Murphy.
Rathvilly Church @ 7.30pm

Sunday 24th December Rathvilly @ 11.00am

Christmas Vigil

Rathvilly Church @ 6.00pm
Talbotstown @ 8.00 pm.

**Anniversaries: John and Katherine Grant
and all deceased members
of the Grant Family.**

Reader: Nigel Byrne.

Christmas Day

Rathvilly Church 11.30am

Monday 25th December Tynock @ 10.00am
**Anniversary for: Richard Donegan,
Charlie Brophy.**

Reader: Mary Byrne.

Sunday 31st December Tynock @ 9.30am
Reader Muireann Gartland.

Friday 5th January Talbotstown 6.00pm
Feast of the Epiphany.

Sunday 7th January Tynock @ 9.30am
Reader: Lucilla Brophy.

Saturday 13th January Talbotstown at 6.30pm.
Reader: Siobhain Doyle.

Talbotstown & Tynock Church Collection
Offertory € 90.18 Envelopes €340.00

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



KILTEGAN GAA & CAMOGIE



Kiltegan GAA would like to wish all our members, supporters, and community at home and abroad a very Happy Christmas and every success for 2024. Thank to everyone in our community and beyond who has helped our club in any way to become what it is today.

We remember in a special way this Christmas all who have died and send our combined strength and thoughts to their families at this time of year.

Nollaig shona daoibh go léir.



Kiltegan GAA & Camogie lip Sync Fundraisers continue at full speed over the Christmas and New year period. This is a small list of activities in the area:

THE LOTTO BOYS have a car wash on Friday 22nd and Saturday 23rd December from 10am-4 pm each day in the GAA grounds. Cars €10 Vans €15, with a free raffle and refreshments on the day.

TAKE YOUR STEPS are holding a Christmas raffle. Tickets available in local shops and the draw will take place in the Talk of the Town on Friday 22nd December.

THE D'UNBELIEVABLES have a football match on St. Stephens Day at 12pm in the GAA grounds. Rudolph Racers v Santa Dashers. This has all the makings of a cracking game of football. Donations on the gate please. Raffle on the day, plus Live match commentary.

THE PROUD MARYS have a Duck Derby on St. Stephens Day at 3.00pm ducks cost €10 or go quackers and get 3 for €25.

THE HALF BACK LINE have a small amount of lines left for the load of timber €10 each or 3 for €25. Get your tickets now, draw will be taking place soon.

TWO AND A HALF MEN are holding a Table Quiz on Friday 29th December in the Talk of the Town. Table of 4 €40. Registration from 7.00pm. Quiz will start at 8.00pm sharp.

THE T BIRDS have a Mr & Mrs Contest on January 6th in the Talk of the Town with music by Jorum. Tickets €5 each.

TROTTERS INDEPENDENT TRADERS are holding a Boozy Bingo on January 20th in the Talk of the Town. Starts at 7.30pm Tickets are on sale at €15 each. This is a strictly over 18's event.

A lot of hard work is taking place behind the scenes for these fundraisers and now we ask you to come out and show your support for all their hard work. All of these acts are volunteering their time and effort to raise vital funds towards all the development works for the good of our community.



KILTEGAN GAA LOTTO RESULTS



4-19-26-28

No jackpot winner
6 match three's wins €35 each

Sondrine Byrne seller Online

Ann Slater seller O'Reilly's Baltinglass

Eliz , PJ & Ellie seller Corner House

Emma Kearney seller O'Reilly's Hacketstown

Matt Gartland seller O'Reilly's Hacketstown

Sharon Stephenson seller Martin Nolan

Next draw takes place on

Tuesday 2nd of January 2024

JACKPOT €4,400



FITNESS LEAGUE EXERCISE CLASSES

(www.thefitnessleague.ie)

will be recommencing in

Rathdangan on Monday January 8th at 7.00 pm. These are effective, low impact exercise classes to music, suitable for all ages and abilities, led by a fully qualified teacher.

Each class encompasses full body movement focusing in particular on strengthening the core and increasing mobility, flexibility and muscle tone.

Cost is €45 for 5 classes, with a €15 one-off registration fee for new members.

Please contact Caoimhe on 086-4043663/cnishuilleabhain@gmail.com for more details.

Pre-registration is essential as places are limited.



Congratulations and welcome to the world baby

Conor Mark Boland

just in time for Santa.

To his parents

Niamh Timmins and Barry Boland

we send our best wishes.



THANK YOU

We wish to thank all who supported our Coffee Day in memory of Abe Hobson. All proceeds are forwarded to Tallaght Hosp. Foundation. Thanking you—The Hobson Family.



John O'Connor would like to thank all who contributed to the transportation of the ambulances to Ukraine. 12 volunteers from Cork, Dublin, Kilkenny, Monaghan, Tipperary, Wexford and Wicklow left home at 05.00 on the 4th November and drove across Europe via the UK land bridge to successfully deliver 6 ambulances filled with humanitarian aid to the people of Ukraine. These ambulances and the aid are already saving lives in Ukraine. We are planning our next convoy for March/April next year.

Go raibh maith agat.

John.

We are also looking for accommodation for a Ukrainian family who recently arrived in Ireland. All areas considered, they just need to be close to a school and shop.

2 adult females, twin boys aged 8, and 1 girl aged 11.

One of the ladies is a trained nurse and would be willing to help care for a host or member of a host's family.

Contact John on 0851279425 for further information.

