

## Are you....

- ...aged 21 and over and been unemployed for 1+ years?
- ...tired of job opportunities requiring "experience" that you can't seem to obtain?
- ...looking for work flexibility to suit your lifestyle?



## Do you...

- ...want the opportunity to work 19.5 hours per week
- ...want to have the chance to do some training you have been putting off?
- ...want to gain invaluable experience and expertise?  
(no experience necessary)



**If so, Community Employment might just be for you!!  
See our current vacancies below:**



<b>Environmental Worker - Knockananna</b>	<b>(REF: #CES-2399508)</b>
<b>Sports Ground Worker - Baltinglass Golf Club (x3)</b>	<b>(REF: #CES-2395354)</b>
<b>Cleaning Operative/Caretaker - Kiltegan</b>	<b>(REF: #CES-2384235)</b>
<b>Gardener/Environmental Worker -Kiltegan</b>	<b>(REF: #CES-2399506)</b>
<b>Environmental Worker - High Park, Kiltegan</b>	<b>(REF: #CES-2378417)</b>

If you are interested in any of the above vacancies, check eligibility with your local Intreo office today! (Reference Number Required)  
There are fantastic training opportunities available for the right candidate.

**ANY NEWS/ADS FOR THE FOCUS  
MUST BE RECEIVED BY 3.00PM  
ON WEDNESDAY FOR  
PUBLICATION THAT WEEK.  
CONTACT US ON ANY OF THE  
FOLLOWING :**

Email: [focuskiltegan@hotmail.com](mailto:focuskiltegan@hotmail.com)

Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/thefocuskiltegan>

Phone: 059 6473330.

Ads can also be dropped into the post box at The Community Employment Office, The Green, Kiltegan, W91 Y38W.

To place an ad costs €2.00 per ad per week.

## TRAD MUSIC CLASSES



**Trad Music Tin-Whistle  
Classes for children  
O' Toole Memorial Hall,  
Rathdangan  
Mondays starting  
8<sup>th</sup> September**

3.30-4.15 6 week blocks of classes

- Learn Irish music by ear in a fun way, progressing at a steady pace
- Children make friends and play a game in each class
- Daily practice at home expected to learn music for the following week



Contact Eimer  
087-9549848

Private lessons also available [ectradmusic@gmail.com](mailto:ectradmusic@gmail.com)

# FOCUS KILTEGAN



**31st August 2025**

## **KILTEGAN, YOUR COMMUNITY NEEDS**

### **YOU!**

*Calling all members of the wonderful Kiltegan Community: are you able to help out in anyway with the following?*

I have been contacted with a request, to enquire if there might be anybody that might be able to assist with cleaning up the **Cemetery in OLD KILTEGAN** so that a mass can be held there in early September.

If there is anyone that has the relevant equipment, & might be able to assist with bringing the Cemetery back to a presentable condition for this mass, your help would greatly appreciated.

**Please call Sondrine on 087 449 7731, if you think you can help out.**

## **Calling all singers and musicians in the locality!**

Would you like to join our parish choir, for weekly masses in Talbotstown or Tynock churches?

Practice will be on in Tynock church every Wednesday night at 8pm. Just turn up & become part of our little choir. All ages & singing abilities welcome. As the old song says "All Gods creatures have a place in the choir"  
**Starting on Wednesday 27th August at 8pm.**



## **ST. PATRICK'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY, HIGH PARK, KILTEGAN**

### **HEALING MASS**



Healing Mass in St. Brigid's Chapel, Slí an Chroí, St. Patrick's Missionary Society, Kiltegan.

Monday 15th September 2025 at 3pm.

Followed by refreshments in our Dining Room.

**TYNOCK & TALBOTSTOWN  
Fr. John McEvoy — 059 9161114**

**Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> August, Talbotstown, 9.30am  
Anniversary: Ned Cremin, Kelsha  
Reader: Conor O'Leary.**

**Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> September, Tynock, 9.30am  
Reader: Lucilla Brophy.**

**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> September, Talbotstown, 9.30am  
Anniversaries for: James & Mai Carthy,  
Ballinroan and also for:  
Joseph & Doreen Graham, Rathdrum  
Reader: Breedh Murphy**

**Saturday 20th September, Tynock, 6:00pm  
Reader: Veronica Byrne**

**Sunday 28th September, Talbotstown, 9:30am  
Reader: Joe O'Brien**

**Sunday 5th October, Tynock, 9:30am  
Reader: Nigel Byrne**

**Offertory: €65.03 Envelopes: €182.50**

**To book anniversaries for Tynock /  
Talbotstown please call:  
Mary on 086 2261264, Josie on 059 6473971.  
Parish Office: 059 9161114**



We express sincere sympathy to Fr. Pat Murphy, his fellow society priests & the family, relatives & friends of **Fr. Paddy Hagan** who died on Sunday. His funeral Mass was celebrated in St. Patrick's chapel Tuesday followed by burial in the society cemetery. **Ar dheis De go raibh a anam.**

## **PARISH HOUSEBOUND VISIT FOR SEPTEMBER:**

Kiltegan Area on Friday, 12th Sept from 2 – 5 p.m.



## KILTEGAN GAA & CAMOGIE CLUB NEWS



**HURLING:** *Our Senior Hurling team* qualified for the Quarter Finals of this years County

Senior Hurling Championship when they accounted for Eire Og, Greystones in their championship meeting at Ballinakill on Saturday evening on a score line of Kiltegan 3-16, Eire Og, Greystones 1-11. This was a must win game for both sides, we were a bit slow out of the blocks, as they scored 2 early points, before Podge O'Toole got our first point on the board. Jack O'Toole levelled matters with a free but it was stop and start for the first 15 minutes. They scored the first goal of the match after one of their players intercepted our goalie, to take the lead once again. We responded quickly with points from Jack O'Toole & Brandon Ryan to level the game. We got a crucial goal by Seanie Germaine just before half-time to lead at the break 1-10 to 1-7. The start of the second half was the same as the first, no score for 7 minutes, as they reduced our lead to 2 points. A Podge O'Toole goal after 10 minutes, put life into the team who started to play somewhat better, a point from Eoin Byrne, Brandon Ryan's 65 & another point from Eoin, things started to matter and we started to take the game back and played some great hurling. When Seanie Germaine scored our third goal, we were on our way to victory, two Brandon Ryan free's ended our scoring, Brandon, who was excellent on the long-range free's & 65, triumphed the match. With Carnev hammering Glenealy in their match, they take top spot and end up in the Semi-Final. We have to play a Quarter Final against St. Patrick's Wicklow Town next weekend. Scores came from: Brandon Ryan 0-8, Seanie Germaine 2-1, Podge O'Toole 1-2, Jack O'Toole + Eoin Byrne 2 points each and Liam Keogh 1 point. All roads lead to Blessington on Saturday evening, 6:00pm, when our Senior Football team take on neighbours Baltinglass in the Quarter Final of the County Senior Football Championship.

**Our Junior Hurlers** had a huge win over Arklow Rocks to keep their un-beaten run in the County Junior Hurling Championship in tact, when they travelled to Arklow on Wednesday 20th August & came away with points on a scoreline of Kiltegan 7-28 to Arklow Rocks 1-08. This team are unbeaten in the League section of this Championship & were in no mood to give into Arklow in this game, from the word go every player was on top of their game. Dean Davis had the game of his life and netted 4-5 in the game with eight players contributing to the scoring. This means we are now in the Semi-Final of this years Junior A Championship against Eire-Og Greystones on the weekend of 5th/6th of Sept. We were leading at half time 1-13 to 1-05 while they could only muster 3 points in the second half against our master half and full backs. Our sores came from: D. Davis 4-5, S. O'Neill 3-3, J. Byrne 0-7, A. Ryan 4, JJ Phelan + S. Coogan 3 points each, M. Jackson 2 & S. O' Toole 1.

**Michael Dwyer's** kept their 100% record in tact in the County under 17 Minor Hurling Championship when they had a narrow one point win over Bray Emmett's in their Championship meeting at Ballinakill on Monday evening.  
**Final Score:** Michael Dwyer's 1-19, Bray Emmett's 4-09.



**FOOTBALL:** Our U15 football team lost their un-beaten run in the County U15 Championship when they were beaten by a very good Blessington team on Sunday in Kiltegan.  
**Final Score:** Kiltegan 0-11, Blessington 2-13. From the throw-in in this match, Blessington were always in control & a goal in each half was the deciding matter in this game. They were ahead at half-time 1-7 to 0-6. We narrowed the gap after the break with two points from free's by Josh Furlong but for them to score another goal cancelled out our efforts. Try as they might, we could not break down their defence, we were in hard luck for a couple of goals, striking the post or their goal keeper making great saves. We also gave the ball away on too many occasions when we were in attacking positions and often paid the price against a better team. Our own scores came from: Josh Furlong 8 points, Tony Kelly 2 points & Padraig Byrne 1pt. Both Jack Audralenes & Nathan Young took part in the Community Games Finals in Carlow on Saturday. Jack, our goalie, winning the Gold Medal in the Under 14 Long-Jump and Nathan was on the relay team, who finished 4th in the Under 14 relay.

**Congratulations and well done** to John Timmins who was inducted to Kiltegan GAA's Hall of Fame on Friday night, last. Your place in the Hall of Fame is more than deserved.

You are, and always will be, one of our greatest Gaels.



## FIXTURES

### CHAMPIONSHIP SEASON

**U11 Football Group 3**  
Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> August @ 7pm  
Kiltegan V St Kevin's (Venue: Kiltegan)

**U11 Football Group 5**  
Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> August @ 7pm  
St Kevin's V Michael Dwyer's  
(Venue: Hollywood)

**U15 Hurling Championship Group 1**  
Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> August @ 7pm  
St Joseph's Hurling Club V Michael Dwyer's  
(Venue: Glenealy)

**Junior C Football Championship**  
Thursday, August 28<sup>th</sup> @ 7:15pm  
Kiltegan V Shillelagh / Coolboy  
(Venue: Kiltegan)

**U13 Hurling Championship Group 1**  
Thursday, August 28<sup>th</sup> @ 7pm  
Michael Dwyer's V Eire Og Greystones  
(Venue: Ballinakill)

**Senior Football Championship**  
Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> August @ 6pm  
Baltinglass V Kiltegan  
(Venue: Blessington)

**Minor A Football Championship**  
Monday 1<sup>st</sup> September @ 7:15pm  
An Tóchar V Kiltegan  
(Venue: Roundwood)

**U11 Hurling Group 2**  
Wednesday 3rd September @ 6:45pm  
Bray Emmets Gaa Club V Michael Dwyer's  
(Venue: Bray Emmets GAA Club)

**Under 15 A Football Championship**  
Wednesday 3rd September @ 7pm  
Kiltegan V Bray Emmets Gaa Club  
(Venue: Kiltegan)

**Under 15 Football C Championship**  
Wednesday 3rd September @ 6:45pm  
Dunlavin V Michael Dwyer's (Venue: Dunlavin)

**GOOD LUCK TO ALL INVOLVED.**

## KILTEGAN GAA LOTTO RESULTS

**7-10-13-28**

**No Jackpot Winner**  
2 match 3's, Win €100 each

**Katrina Byrne** (Seller: O'Reilly's Hacketstown)  
**Mim Nolan** (Seller: Pat Ivory)

Next week's draw takes place on  
Monday 1st September  
in Talk of the Town  
@ 8.00pm.

**JACKPOT €5,800**



### COMMUNITY GAMES:

Well done to all athletes from Hacketstown and competitors from Kiltegan & Rathdangan, who took part in the All Ireland Community Games in Carlow on Saturday. Such a great achievement to reach the All Irelands. Congratulations to Jack Andralenis, (who plays in goal for our Kiltegan Under 15 Football Team) on winning **Gold** in the Under 14 relay along with team-mates Tyler Byrne, Nathan Young, Oisín Townsend and Cormac Gartland.  
Also, well done to Beau Daly who took part in the U12 Ball Throw.  
**Well Done to all competitors & Coach Liam Lyons.**

### WEST WICKLOW HISTORY SOCIETY:



**"Glen of Imaal 100"**  
marking 100 years of  
the First Irish Army  
presence in the Glen.

An illustrated talk by Liam Kenny  
**Date:** Tuesday 2nd September  
**Time:** 8:00pm

**Location:** Lalor Centre Baltinglass W91 XW57  
**All welcome.**

### QUOTES OF THE WEEK:

Be the change  
that you wish to  
see in the world.

— MAHATMA GANDHI

It always seems  
impossible until  
it's done.

NELSON MANDELA