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## To ponder

The following stories awaken a sense of hope and encouragement for us all. Well worth reflecting upon....

### The Frog Race



There was once a bunch of tiny frogs, who arranged a running competition. The goal was to reach the top of a very high tower.

A big crowd gathered around the tower to see

the race and cheer on the contestants.

The race began...

No one in the crowd really believed that the tiny frogs would reach the top of the tower. They shouted, "Oh, way too difficult!!! They will NEVER make it to the top" and "Not a chance. The tower is too high".

The tiny frogs began collapsing, one by one except for those who, in a fresh tempo, were climbing higher and higher. The crowd continued to yell, "It's too difficult! No one will make it!" More tiny frogs got tired and gave up but one continued higher and higher. This one wouldn't give up! And he reached the top. Everyone wanted to know how this one frog managed such a great feat.

His secret? This little frog was deaf!!

The wisdom of this story is;  
Ignore the pessimism of others. It can take your dreams from you. Stay positive.

### Dust if you must



Dust if you must, but wouldn't it be better  
To paint a picture, or write a letter,  
Bake a cake, or plant a seed;  
Ponder the difference between want and need?

Dust if you must, but there's not much time,  
With rivers to swim, and mountains to climb;  
Music to hear, and books to read;  
Friends to cherish, and life to lead.

Dust if you must, but the world's out there  
With the sun in your eyes, and the wind in your hair;  
A flutter of snow, a shower of rain,  
This day will not come around again.

Dust if you must, but bear in mind,  
Old age will come and it's not kind.  
And when you go (and go you must)  
You, yourself, will make more dust.

*"Start by doing what's necessary, then do what's possible; and suddenly you are doing the impossible."*

Saint Francis of Assisi

## Lucan Citizens Information Centre

Our telephone number is **0818 07 5090**

[www.citizensinformation.ie](http://www.citizensinformation.ie)

Email – [lucan@citinfo.ie](mailto:lucan@citinfo.ie)

Our office is located in the Ballyowen Castle Youth and Community Centre, Ballyowen, Lucan

### Opening hours:

*Walk-ins to see an Information Officer*

Tuesday: 10am - 12pm

Wednesday: None

Thursday: 10am – 12pm and 2pm to 4 pm



### Reception open

Tuesday: 10am - 1pm and 2pm - 4pm

Wednesday: 10am - 1pm and 2pm - 4pm

Thursday: 10am - 1pm and 2pm - 4pm

### We are closed on Mondays and Fridays.

**Citizens Information Phone Service (CIPS)** is open Monday to Friday 9 am to 8pm on 0818 07 4000

**MABS – the Money Advice and Budgeting Service** is the State's money advice service, guiding people through dealing with problem debt for over 20 years. MABS phone service is open Monday to Friday 9 am to 8 pm on 0818 07 2000

**Women's Aid** 1800 341 900 – 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, [www.womensaid.ie](http://www.womensaid.ie)

### Payment for people who retire at 65

To qualify for this new benefit payment at 65, you must have stopped working and meet the social insurance (PRSI) conditions.

The payment is similar to Jobseeker's Benefit, but you don't need to be looking for work or sign on at your local Intreo centre.

It is taxed the same as Jobseekers Benefit.

### How to qualify

*To get the benefit payment for people aged 65, you must:*

Be 65 years of age

Have stopped working this includes both employment and self-employment (some subsidiary employment is allowed – see below)

Live in Ireland

### Satisfy the social insurance (PRSI) conditions

Social insurance (PRSI) conditions

*If you were an employee, you must:*

Have paid at least 104 PRSI contributions at Class A, H or P Or Have paid at least 156 PRSI contributions at Class S And Have paid or credited at least 39 PRSI contributions at Class A, H or P in the Governing Contribution Year (a minimum of 13 weeks must be paid

contributions\*). If you don't have 39 PRSI contributions in the Governing Contribution Year, you can use 26 PRSI contributions paid in the governing contribution year and 26 paid in the year immediately before this.

\*If you do not have 13 paid contributions in the governing contribution year, you must have paid 13 contributions in any of the following years:  
The 2 years before the governing contribution year

The last complete governing contribution year  
The current governing contribution year  
Governing Contribution Year is the second last complete tax year, for example, for a claim in 2022 the second last complete tax year is 2020.

*If you were self-employed, you must:*

Have paid at least 156 PRSI contributions at Class S Or Have paid at least 104 PRSI contributions at Class A or H And Have paid 52 PRSI self-employment contributions at Class S in the Governing Contribution Year.

You do not need to sign on at your local Intreo centre or actively look for work if you are getting this payment.

You can take up a course once you inform the Department of Social Protection. You can also continue in subsidiary employment.

### Subsidiary employment

You can continue in subsidiary employment. Subsidiary employment is work that could have been done while you were in full-time employment and outside your normal working hours. For example, if you worked a full-time job during the day and had a part-time job in the evening. The part-time job is known as subsidiary employment, if you were able to do the part-time work without it affecting your full-time job for at least 6 months.

You may get an increase in your payment for an adult dependant and any child dependants you may have. You cannot claim an Increase for a Qualified Child (IQC) with your payment if your spouse, civil partner or cohabitant has an income of over €400 a week. You get a half-rate IQC if your spouse, civil partner or cohabitant earns between €310 and €400 a week.

### How to apply

You should apply at age 65 and not before.

You can apply for the Benefit Payment for 65 Year Olds online at [mywelfare.ie](http://mywelfare.ie) using a basic MyGovID account.

You can get a paper application form by emailing [BP65forms@welfare.ie](mailto:BP65forms@welfare.ie) with your full name, address and form request. An application form will be posted to you. You can find more about requesting an application form.



## Arthur Griffith Park 50th Anniversary

The year is 1972.....

Date: 20th of August 2022 at 2pm to 8pm

Memorial Mass  
for Deceased Past Residents

Family Fun Day, Music, Food, Bouncy Castles,  
Nostalgic Street Games for Kids, Face  
Painting, Performers, and much more.....

1970's Fancy Dress

**Venue:** Arthur Griffith Park Lucan

Front entrance greens (extremely limited parking,  
event accessible by public transport C1, C2, L51).

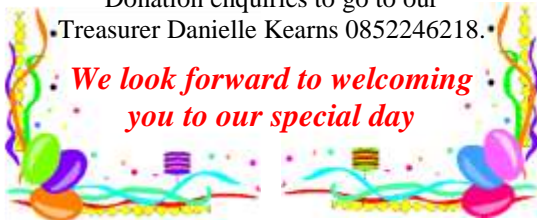
*This is a community event organised by local  
people so donations greatly welcomed.*

For all enquiries contact the Arthur Griffith Park  
50th Anniversary Committee:

Chairperson Anita O Kearney 0894366828  
or Secretary Sarah Graham 0868619137.

Donation enquiries to go to our

Treasurer Danielle Kearns 0852246218.



*We look forward to welcoming  
you to our special day*

SANDFORD PARISH CHURCH, SANDFORD ROAD,  
DUBLIN 6

LUNCHTIME RECITAL  
FRIDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2022 @ 1.10 PM



PADRAIG O'ROURKE (BARITONE)  
MICHAEL GRANT (PIANO)

PROGRAMME

SONGS BY RALPH VAUGHAN WILLIAMS

## Lucan Newsletter

# Summer Hols!

We are taking our Summer  
Break from now **until**  
**Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> August.**



All items for that issue should be with us  
by **Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> August.**

We hope all will have a happy and save  
holiday time!

## Lucan Planning Council

The public meeting at  
**Sarsfield Park on Saturday**  
has been postponed due to a  
key speaker having covid.



It will be rescheduled when he  
recovers. Residents will be informed.

*Caitriona McClean*

*Secretary of Lucan Planning Council*

## Primrose Hill Garden

*Very top of Primrose Lane, Lucan*

### 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Open Heritage Week  
13<sup>th</sup> August – 21<sup>st</sup> August

2pm – 6pm daily

Adults €6.00. Children Free.



"Summer should get a  
speeding ticket!"

*Anon*



# Parish Notes

## St Mary's, Lucan

[www.lucanparish.com](http://www.lucanparish.com)



### Sunday Mass Times:

Saturday Vigil: 6.30pm

Sunday: 10.30am, 12 noon and 7pm.

**Weekday Masses:** Monday to Saturday 10am

**Masses will continue to be live-streamed on**  
[www.lucanparish.com](http://www.lucanparish.com)

### Invitation

*Fr Tom* will celebrate his last Mass here in St Mary's at **12 noon on 7<sup>th</sup> August 2022** before he takes up his new position in Castledermot.

There will be light refreshments in the Parish Centre afterwards.

All Welcome

### Christian Meditation:

There will be **NO** meeting of meditation for the month of August. Wishing everyone a safe and happy holiday and see you all again in the Autumn.

Keep praying!

*Sr Geraldine.*

### St. Mary's Readers' Roster August 2022

The roster for readers at the Saturday vigil and Sunday masses in St. Mary's for the month of August 2022 has been sent to all readers by email. If any reader has not received it a copy is available for inspection in the sacristy.

### Divine Mercy Devotion:

On **Wednesdays after 10am Mass**. Everyone is welcome to participate in the devotion regularly or occasionally.

*St Mary's Parish Divine Mercy Group.*

### Baptisms:

Dates are bookable on line up to the end of **December 2022**. If you need to cancel a booking contact: [secretary@lucanparish.com](mailto:secretary@lucanparish.com)

### Confessions – Nuns' Chapel:

After Saturday Morning 10am Mass and Saturday Evening 6.30pm Mass.

### Bethany Bereavement Support Group:

We meet **every 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday at 10.45am and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday at 8pm of the month** in the Parish Centre. We are available to listen to or just be there for anyone who is feeling lonely or lost following the death of a loved one.

*Sr Geraldine*

### Visits to the housebound:

If you are housebound you can call Deirdre at the parish office (01 621 7041) we will be happy to call on a monthly basis.

*Deepest sympathy* to the husband, family and friends of *Miriam Lawlor*, Hermitage Way, to the family and friends of *Helen Enright*, Roselawn, to the husband, family and friends of *Mary Christal*, Beech Grove and to the family and friends of *Anne Strong*, Esker Lawns.  
*May they rest in peace.*



### Icon Writing Course for St Mary's

**August 15<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup>**

*In St Mary's Parish Centre. 9.30am – 5.30pm each day.*

Writing (painting) an icon is a prayerful and specialised gift and we are very fortunate to have Mihai Cucu, writer of the WMOF icon, to give the course.

Cost €350. All materials will be provided (includes all brush sets, paints, gold, boards) and the week will draw to a close with a special Mass in St Mary's when the icons will be anointed and blessed.

***Places are limited. Please contact Bernie Martin on 087 2240606***

### St. Patrick's Esker/ Dodsboro/Adamstown

[www.stpatrickslucan.ie](http://www.stpatrickslucan.ie)

**Sunday Masses:** Vigil Saturday 7pm,

Sunday: 9am, 10.30am and 12 noon.

**Weekday Masses:** Monday to Friday at 10am.

**All Masses continue to be livestreamed at**  
[stpatrickslucan.ie](http://stpatrickslucan.ie)

**The 10.30am Family Mass** is aimed at younger parishioners and their families; it is an accessible liturgy for children and enables them to participate more fully in the Sunday Mass.

## Divine Mercy, Lucan South

[www.lucansouthparish.net](http://www.lucansouthparish.net)

### Sunday Mass Times:

Saturday Vigil 6:30pm,

Sunday 10:15am and 12:15pm

**Weekday Masses:** Mon.-Fri.9:15am.

Sat.10am

All Masses will be livestreamed on

[www.lucansouthparish.net](http://www.lucansouthparish.net)



## Divine Mercy Church Parish Pilgrimage to Knock

Our Annual Parish Pilgrimage and Marian Movement of Priests Pilgrimage to Knock is on

**Saturday August 6<sup>th</sup> 2022.**

The bus will be leaving from the car park of our church at 8am. The cost of the bus is €18 per person and is required when booking your seat.

Tea is available in St. Johns Centre in Knock but please bring a packed lunch.



**All are welcome to come with us on this special day**

**Booking** can be made through the parish office from 9.45am to 1pm Monday to Friday Phone 01 4572900 or phone Bernadette at 0862209634

### Adoration and Holy Hour Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

**Mon:** 7.30pm: Divine Mercy Adoration

**Thu:** 7pm: Holy Hour (Adoration/Confession)

**Fri:** 1.15pm: Adoration MMPH Cenacle

**Fri:** 2-3pm: Divine Mercy Devotion/Adoration.

### Visitation team for Holy Communion:

Pastoral care of the Sick is provided for all who suffer in any way in our communities. When a person becomes ill, receives a serious diagnosis or because of frailty is no longer able to attend Mass, our Ministers facilitate visitation of the sick at home or in a care setting when this is requested by families and permitted by public health authorities.

Please contact the Parish Office to arrange a visit.

### Morning Prayers of the Church:

Monday to Friday: 8.40am.

The Church will now be open Monday to Friday from 10am to 4pm for private prayers.

### Bingo night:

Wednesdays at 7.30pm. In the John Paul II Memorial Hall. Meet up with friends, connect with new people and to assist with fund raising for the Church. All are Welcome!

### Coffee Morning:

Our Coffee Mornings - Wednesdays and Thursdays at 10am (after the 9.15am Mass) in the John Paul II Memorial Hall. Enjoy a cup of tea/coffee, biscuits/cakes – or just drop in for a chat!

### Divine Bloom:

Every Saturday morning after the 10am Mass. All are Welcome!

## Lucan Presbyterian Church

**Main Street, Lucan, Co. Dublin**

**Sunday Morning Worship:** 11am.

(temporary time)

(There's tea and coffee after the service)

Lucan Presbyterian Church is a growing family of Christians who come from a variety of different church backgrounds, traditions and nationalities. Regardless of your age, background, experience or previous church connections you are welcome to come and visit us.

### Contact:

e-mail: [lucanpresbyterian@gmail.com](mailto:lucanpresbyterian@gmail.com)

telephone: +353 (0)1 628 0217

## St. Andrew's Church of Ireland

**St Andrew's, Lucan:**

**Sunday:** 9am and 10am.

**Wednesday:** 10am

**St Mary's, Leixlip:**

**Sunday:** 11.30am.

**Tuesday:** 10am

**Services** are available on our parish

Facebook pages:

[St. Andrew's Church, Lucan](#) or [St Mary's Church, Leixlip](#)

## Deepest Sympathy

to our colleague  
Jack Christal and family,  
on the death of his wife



**Mary**

Mary was a long-standing member of  
St Mary's Apostolic Workers

*May she rest in peace.*

*Lucan Newsletter Team.*

## Memorial Service

### Dorothy Shaw

A Thanksgiving Service for the Life of  
**Dorothy Shaw**, late of Beech Park, will take  
place on Saturday, 6<sup>th</sup> August 2022 following the  
internment of ashes at 2:30pm at Esker Cemetery.  
All welcome.



## Anniversaries

### Donal Allis

#### 13<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Forever in our thoughts **Donal**,  
*Mam, Dad, Jenny and Mary and families*



### Raymond (Rash) Carey

#### 39<sup>th</sup> Anniversary – 30<sup>th</sup> July

Late of Beech Park.

Of our much-loved son and brother

#### Forever Young

There is a path of beautiful memories  
From here to Heaven above  
That keeps us very close to you Ray  
It's called the path of love  
And down the path of memories  
We gently tread today  
All our thoughts are with you Ray  
As life goes on without you  
And the months turn into years  
They hold a thousand memories  
And a million silent tears  
Love and miss you sweetheart  
Look after your **Orla, Shane** and **Alan** for us  
Until we meet again

*Your heartbroken Mam and Dad, brothers and  
sisters xxxxxx*



### Kathleen Fitzgerald

#### 41<sup>st</sup> Anniversary - 3<sup>rd</sup> August

Late of Dodsboro, Lucan

**Mam** - You are still near

Even if we don't see you, you are with us

Even if you are far away, you are in our hearts

In our thoughts

In our lives - Always

*Remembered with love daughters Bernie and  
Marie and Son Bo*

Also remembering our sister **Ann** and brother  
**Michael**

### Michael Farrelly

#### 4<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Late of Sarsfield Park and Leixlip.

If I could write a million pages

But still be unable to say

Just how much I love and miss him

Every single day

Your life was a blessing

Your memory a treasure

You were loved beyond measure

Forever missed

Love and miss you,

*Your loving wife Beryl x*

### Michael Farrelly

If I could write a story

It would be the greatest ever told

Of a kind and loving father

Who had a heart of gold

*Sadly missed by your loving daughters Diane,*

*Yvonne, Wendy, sons Michael, Wayne, Darrol,*

*Russel, sons-in-law and daughters-in-law.*

### Michael Farrelly

In our hearts your memory lingers

Sweetly tender, fond and true

There is not a day Grandad

That we don't think of you

Forever in our hearts

Hugs and kisses

*All your loving grandchildren and great  
grandchildren.*

### Oliver (Ollly) Kearns

#### 11<sup>th</sup> Anniversary – 2<sup>nd</sup> August

Late of Mill Bank and Airlie Heights

A bright light went before you Ollly

On that morning God called you home

Leaving us treasured memories

Of your laughter, your wit and kind soul.

*Remembered by Bernadette, May, extended family  
and friends*

**Ann and Joseph Kelly**  
**25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**

Some day we will find you waiting  
With your lovely smile of old  
Our hands will meet in God's own street  
And never more unfold.  
*Always remembered by Jim, Mercriss and family.*



**Ann Moffitt**  
**7<sup>th</sup> August – 13<sup>th</sup> year away from home**

Sadly missed along life's way  
Quietly remembered every day  
No longer in our life to share  
But in our hearts you are always there.  
*Loved and remembered every day from all your Family xx*

**Ann's Anniversary Mass will take place in St Patrick's Church Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> of August at 12 o'clock.**

**Sonya Rabbitte**  
**16<sup>th</sup> Anniversary – 1<sup>st</sup> August**

Sonya, always in our thoughts.  
*Loved and missed by Dad, Mam and all the family.*



**Fintan McCarthy**  
**16<sup>th</sup> Anniversary – 1<sup>st</sup> August**

*Loved and dearly missed by all of us. Mum and all the family.*

**Anniversary Mass for Sonya and Fintan August 14<sup>th</sup> at 12 noon.**

**Carmel Whelan**  
**30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary – 18<sup>th</sup> August**

Always in our thoughts  
Forever in our hearts  
*Loved and remembered every day, Liz, Mary, Cathy, Barry and families.*



**Month's Mind Mass**

**Micheál Ó Dhoibhilin**

Month's Mind Mass will take place for **Micheál** on **Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> August at 7pm**, in St. Mary's Church, Lucan.

**Birthday Remembrances**

**Shane Carey**  
**39<sup>th</sup> Birthday – 2<sup>nd</sup> August**

Late of Beech Park  
1<sup>st</sup> Birthday away from home of our much loved and missed son and brother

**Forever Young**

Today we touched your face again  
And watched you for a while  
We talked of things deep in our hearts  
And could almost see you smile  
We know your time on earth was short  
But its how you lived each day  
You made the most of what you had  
And always found a way  
On this your 39<sup>th</sup> birthday **Shane**  
I hope you're with Al, Ray and Orla  
To celebrate it  
We miss you so much sweetheart  
Love and miss you forever  
*Your broken-hearted Mam, Dad, brothers and sisters xxxxxx*

**Shane Carey**

My Partner and Dad  
Much loved and missed every single day  
Happy Heavenly Birthday **Shane**  
The first away from home  
We miss you so much and love you dearly  
We hope you have the biggest celebrations  
With the rest of our angels  
You are in our thoughts  
And on our minds every minute of every day  
*Love you my handsome soulmate forever Jen xxx*

**Dear Dad**

The best Dad in the world  
Happy Heavenly Birthday  
Hope you have the biggest bed  
Up there in Heaven  
With all of our angels in Heaven  
Thanks for being our Dad and our hero and all the great memories you left us  
Miss and love you forever  
Dad, this is Nicole, I really want you home.  
*Nicole and Keisha xxxxxx*

As you know **Koins for Kids** have a target of €1,000,000 to fund specialist equipment in the new Childrens Hospital. So far over €330,000 has been raised nationally. Our last donation from Lucan brought the total raised from our local area to nearly €10,000 in total, including Euros and all types of other coinage and notes.

I want to say a huge thank you to everyone who has contributed in any way to help us with this magnificent achievement. We continue to accept donations via the Parish Centre and Sacristy in St Mary's.  
Many thanks again. *Damien Douglas, 0879519222.*





**Holidays are coming.....**

We hope all our Readers and Contributors enjoy their holidays, and Birdie looks forward to being back bright-eyed and bushy-tailed at the end of August.

**Great News – Lucan Newsletter** is now available in St. Patrick’s Church, Esker. Since the ‘paper-man’ retired, parishioners in this neck of the woods were not always able to get their weekly copy, but at long last that has been resolved, to the delight of all.

This lad dropped in to discover where Lucan Newsletter comes from! **Fr. Ubaldo Muhindo**, formerly of Lucan South is the new Curate at St. Mary’s and St. Patrick’s.



**That time of year already.....**



Beautiful picture of the hay gathered for another year, at Westmanstown.



**Lucan Tidy Towns people** were out and about early last Saturday – Pam, John, Marie and Marian had the place all spruced up by the time they were finished. Well done to all!



**Another delightful Dublin Canvas**, this time at the junction of Millstream Road/Woodview Heights. Unfortunately, we missed the artist this time!



## SOCIETY FOR OLD LUCAN (SOL)

SOL is the local history group for Lucan; open to everyone. Free to join – join our mailing list at <https://bit.ly/2vSnjVJ> - where full details of our projects, events and news are shared.

Our private Facebook group is called “Society for Old Lucan (SOL)” & we’re on Twitter:

@Soc4OldLucan.

Website: <https://soc4oldlucan.wordpress.com/>



## SOL FUNDRAISING CALENDAR 2023

Paul Butler (SOL photographer & drone operator) has been encouraging SOL followers to get their Lucan photos into him ASAP for inclusion in our SOL Fundraising Calendar for 2023. Our calendar is a very popular seller every year and this year we want to have it ready for sale at Lucan Festival in September.

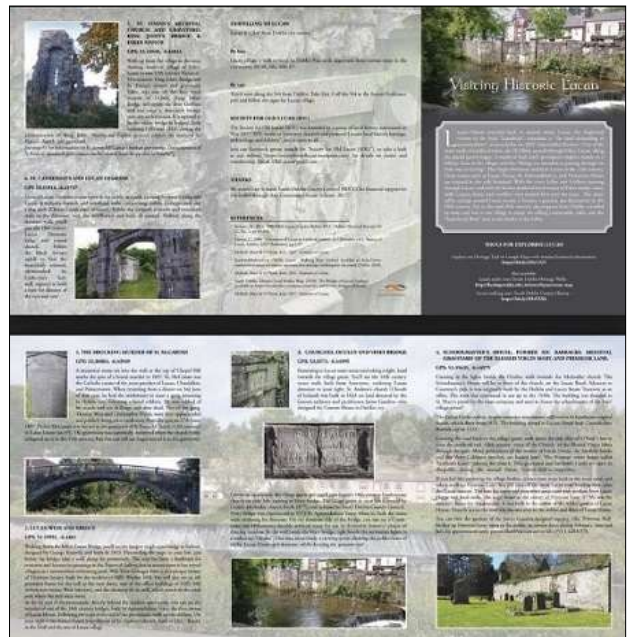
Because of this earlier deadline than previous years, if you have any good photos of Lucan, especially views of heritage around the area that are a bit more unusual or less well-known, we’d love to include them. Everyone whose photos are chosen will get a free calendar! The deadline for inclusion is this Sunday, 31st July. Please email all photo entries to [OldLucan@gmail.com](mailto:OldLucan@gmail.com)

Paul says “*The money raised from this fundraising helps us with the running costs of SOL so we can keep all our events free for everyone. The money raised from the calendar over the last few years have also helped us to reprint our information leaflets and to repair the window mullion back to its original place in St. Finian’s Medieval Church. (See photos below)*



*This is a wonderful achievement by everyone in restoring a piece of our history by helping us with the calendar by providing photos and by purchasing them. It will also help us continue our work in SOL.*

*This year we plan to use our fundraising money from the calendars to updating our website professionally with a more updated design and a lot more content for users, as well as providing events throughout the year. Thank you all for your support.”*



## HERITAGE WEEK 13 – 21st AUGUST 2022

Heritage Week 2022 will run nationally 13 – 21st August. You can view events all around the country at <https://www.heritageweek.ie/>

Unfortunately, we have encountered delays in securing a meeting with the historic graves’ workshop provider we’d secured funding for (funding from the Community Heritage Grant Scheme from the Heritage Council) in recent weeks, despite our best efforts. We are meeting him Thu 28th July to discuss dates that for the workshop, but at this stage (and at time of going to print) we anticipate it could be later, in the August – October period, before we can hold the workshops.

If we can run this event, or others, for Heritage Week, you will find it on our website <https://soc4oldlucan.wordpress.com/> so check the website closer to the time.

## LUCAN FESTIVAL, 9 – 11TH SEPTEMBER 2022

SOL are getting involved again with Lucan Festival for 2022!

Saturday 10th September: come along to the Demesne open day to visit our stand at the medieval church in Lucan Demesne (just to the left-hand side of the main access road to Lucan House) with information leaflets, and the SOL 2023 Calendar on sale (limited print run – buy now for Christmas!). We'll have a self-guiding numbered walk throughout the demesne for people to follow, with lots of fascinating historical information on the church, who were the people buried there, who used to live in Lucan House, the story behind the tunnel under the road, what the bathhouse was used for, recent discoveries, and much more. Come and meet "Patrick Sarsfield" and "Elizabeth Vesey" walking around; we both lived in Lucan House in the distant past (17th Century & 18th Century), and we can tell you our stories!

On Sunday 11th we'll have our self-guiding information stands set up in the medieval graveyard to the rear of O'Neill's pub and will be on hand to answer questions. Jonathan Cully will have his exhibition on Lucan's military set up in the graveyard for people to view.

## “NEW” HEADSTONES FOUND IN ST. FINIAN’S

[Excerpt...Link To Full Article Below]

*By Paul Butler, Sol Photographer & Drone Operator*



“If you have paid a visit to St. Finian’s medieval church and graveyard, in Esker, Lucan, recently you will have noticed that South Dublin Co. Council have installed handsome handmade railings around the vault area. This is part of the work that SOL have requested as part of the restoration work for the site. Using part of the old piece of railing remaining, they have recreated how the railings would have originally looked, with a gate at the front of the vault. SOL are delighted to have this work done as it greatly enhances the site and complements the rest of the restoration work of the last few years. This work has been done in association with SDCC and the Adopt a Monument scheme which we are involved with, to help protect this part of Lucan’s history for many generations to enjoy in the years ahead. So as part of the work required, they cleared out the floor area at the front of the vault. This revealed the steps that originally lead into the vault. This is where two new headstones were discovered that we never knew about. Even the previous inventory of gravestones and their transcriptions, made by Fr. Egan in 1989, available from SDCC Source online: <https://source.southdublinlibraries.ie/handle/1059/1/12242> didn’t record these gravestones, as they were only uncovered during these recent works...” For the rest of this fascinating article which covers Paul’s research, go to this blog post on our webpage: <https://bit.ly/3cOzcSB>

## ADOPT A MONUMENT: ST. FINIAN’S MEDIEVAL CHURCH, ESKER

As well as the fabulous ironwork installed recently around the vault at St. Finian’s, SDCC Public Realm has planted some lavender outside the stile entry to St. Finian’s, Esker. SOL members have been busy watering these plants in the recent dry spell when we could. Many thanks to Mary and Brendan who are also maintaining a regular litter-pick at the site, as it is now rare to see litter at the site. If you haven’t already done so, make sure to visit this beautiful site, and view our information panel just inside the gates too.

### *Committee:*

Helen Farrell (Chair), Elaine Hurley, Darren Tully, Paul Butler, Jonathan Cully, and Lesley Jenkins Blairsdale.

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## Palmerstown Camera Club



As summer has finally reached us at Palmerstown Camera Club we are running photography outings to places like Castletown House, Glendalough, Malahide and Skerries to

mention just a few.

At Lucan Library there is a scaled-down version of the photography exhibition which we held back in June in Palmerstown. We are also running a win a print competition at the library.



These images are from last week's Bray Air Display and were taken by Kevin Naughton one of our talented photographers in the club.

People interested in joining the club or even attending one or two meetings FREE of charge to see how their photography could benefit from being a member can do so by contacting [secpcc@mail.com](mailto:secpcc@mail.com)

## LUCAN FESTIVAL

On the 12th and 13th August we will be holding a fund raising collection at shopping centres at SuperValu and Tesco.

We will also at that time have tickets for the Day in the grounds of Lucan House by kind permission of the Italian Ambassador.

Tickets cost €6 per adult (Children 12 and under free)

Full list of events will be in the next edition of the Newsletter.



# Lucan Library

## The Summer Stars Reading Programme

continues! We're delighted to see so many of our young readers taking part. If you haven't already signed up, just ask at the desk to get your reading card and get involved!

## Summer Activities for Children

Thursday 24th August 3.30pm - 4.30pm

### Make your own bar of soap and learn how to save the planet from plastic.

A sustainable workshop with environmentalist tutor Aoife Munn. Each child brings home their own bar of soap. Lots of hands-on fun for children ages 7-12. Booking via Lucan Library Eventbrite from 15th August at 3.30pm

**Board Games for Children** - bring a friend and have a game of Snakes and Ladders, Chess, Scrabble, Guess Who?... lots of fun games to choose from in this free play session.

Mondays (8th, 15th, 22nd and 29th August) 2pm - 4pm

All welcome



**Magformers Madness!** Free play with the library's Magformers Set. Drop in for 15 or 20 minutes and enjoy some magforming! Tuesday 9th, 16th, 23rd and 30th August 10.30am - 12.30pm

## Arts and Crafts with Aisling and Cathal

For ages 5 - 7 years.

Tuesday 16th August

2.30 - 3.30pm Booking

essential via Lucan Library Eventbrite from Tuesday 9th August at 2.30pm.



## Summer Steam Programme

### BrickFlicks Stop Motion Animation Live Online Workshop

- Please note this is an ONLINE workshop. All you need is a mobile device with a camera, a Lego minifigure and your imagination, and you will learn how to make stop motion animation! Live Online Workshop plus additional access to Video Tutorials, Resources and Offline Activities Suitable for ages 8yrs + (we recommend that an Adult assists setting up the online call).

We will take you on the journey from having a cool idea to making it into an awesome film. On the way, we will explain the different parts of "stop motion" and how it works. We will share

some of the great tips and skills we have learned when making our own films.

This short taster online workshop is delivered using a blended approach of online learning and offline activity. 3 separate sessions (Please book only ONE session). Tuesday 23rd August 11am - 12.30pm. Book via Lucan Library Eventbrite from Tuesday 9th August at 11am.

Wednesday 24th August 11am - 12.30pm.

Book via Lucan Library Eventbrite from Wednesday 10th August at 11am.

Thursday 25th August 11am - 12.30pm. Book via Lucan Library Eventbrite from Thursday 11th August at 11am.

## Music Therapy Workshop for Teens with James Burns.

Friday 19th

August 11am - 12noon

Look out on Eventbrite for more details - bookings open Tuesday 5th August at 11am.



## Heritage Week

### Heritage Week 2022 –

### Events for Children and Adults

#### Talks for Adults:

Tuesday 16th August 7-8pm

Decade of Centenaries talk (ONLINE):

**The Big House and the Civil War**, speaker John Dorney. Join historian John Dorney for a discussion of the fate of the Big Houses and landed estates during the Irish Civil War. John Dorney is an independent historian and chief editor and writer of the Irish Story website. His books include *Peace After the Final Battle*, *The Story of the Irish Revolution* (2014) and *The Irish Civil War in Dublin, the fight for the Irish capital 1922-1924* (2017). This is an online event which will be delivered via Zoom. You can book a place through Eventbrite at [www.eventbrite.ie/e/the-big-house-and-the-irish-civil-war-tickets-294562473287](http://www.eventbrite.ie/e/the-big-house-and-the-irish-civil-war-tickets-294562473287)

### Interview with General Emmet Dalton by Seamus Cullen & Tony Maher.

Thursday 18th August 6.30-7.30pm. This



fascinating talk is based on Tony's interview with General Dalton when he was a young soldier. Emmet Dalton was an American born Dubliner, Home Ruler and Republican with an extraordinary

military career as a British Officer, IRA Leader and General in the Free State. This talk takes place in the library, and you can book a place via Lucan Library Eventbrite.

## Lucan Library *continued...*

### **Decade of Centenaries Talk: with speaker James Langton (To Be Confirmed).**

Tuesday 23rd August from 6.30pm-7.30pm.  
This talk would take place in the library, booking via Lucan Library Eventbrite.

### **The Emergence of Irish Gothic Fiction with Jarlath Killeen.**

Thursday 25th August  
6.30-7.30pm. Professor Jarlath Killeen of Trinity College will discuss the emergence of Irish gothic fiction in mid-eighteenth century and argue how it was used as a fictional instrument of liberal Anglican opinion in a changing political landscape. Mary Shelley, Horace Walpole, Bram Stoker and Robert Maturin will be some of the figures discussed!

This talk takes place in Lucan Library, you can book via Lucan Library Eventbrite.



**Children's Workshop:** Thursday 18th August  
4 sessions, please book only ONE session:  
1pm - 1.30pm / 1.30pm - 2pm/ 2pm - 2.30pm /  
2.30pm - 3pm

**Viking coin striking workshop** for ages 7-12 years. Organised by the School of Irish Archaeology, this is a fascinating and fun historical workshop where children will learn all about, as well as make, Viking Coins!  
Live in the Library, you can book a place through Eventbrite at [lucanlibrarydublin.eventbrite.ie](http://lucanlibrarydublin.eventbrite.ie)

### **Storytime for Under 6s**

Our regular Storytime for Under 6s continues every Wednesday at 3pm. All welcome!



### **Events for Toddlers**

#### **Musical Tots with Karen Donnellan**

Saturday 20th August at 10.30am  
Booking via Lucan Library Eventbrite, from Saturday 13th August at 10.30am.

#### **Toddler Time with Sarah Sparkles**

Thursday 25th August at 10am  
Bookings via Lucan Library Eventbrite, from Thursday 18th August at 10am.



**My Little Library Book Bags at South Dublin Libraries** for all children starting school this year  
The 'My Little Library Book Bag' initiative is a collaboration between all libraries around the country and the Department of Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth as part of the First 5 Strategy.  
As part of the initiative, a 'My Little Library Book Bag' is available free for every child starting school in 2022 to help them to prepare for this big step. Children and their parents/guardians can collect the bags at their local South Dublin Library branch.



#### **Each My Little Library Book Bag contains:**

- Books on starting school, making friends and being comfortable to be yourself
  - A story card on going to the library
  - A postcard the child can write or draw on and send to their new teacher, or bring to give to the teacher on their first day at school
  - Their very own library card and special 'My Little Library' cardholder
- Book bags are available in both Irish and English. More supports to help the transition to primary school are available on the Let's Get Ready page on Gov.ie.

#### **Lucan Library Classic Movie Night Tuesday 30th August 5.30pm**

All welcome, contact the library for information.



#### **TTRS at Lucan Library**

Touch-Type-Read-Spell is available from Lucan Library from September. Contact us to learn more about this learning support, and how you can avail of a TTRS course free of charge. Phone us at 01-6216422 or email [lucan@sdblincoco.ie](mailto:lucan@sdblincoco.ie) for more information.

#### **Exhibition:**

#### **History of the Lucan Newsletter**



*"A capacity, and taste, for reading gives access to whatever has already been discovered by others". Abraham Lincoln.*



### Team News

Overall, a good week for our adult hurlers with five wins, one draw and one loss from seven championship games played. The Seniors lost their open game against St Vincent's but bounced back to beat Craobh Chiarán. Junior A's had two good wins over St Pats and Ballinteer St Johns. Junior B's had a win over Ballyboden and a draw with St Jude's, while the Junior C's had a narrow win over Oliver Plunkett's and are in action again on Monday night against Na Fianna.

### Senior Hurling Championship: Lucan Sarsfields 1-22 Craobh Chiarán 1-14.

**Parnell Park, 23/7/22** After an opening round loss to St Vincent's earlier in the week, Lucan seniors got their championship campaign back on track with this relatively comfortable win over Craobh Chiarán. Lucan hurled well in the opening quarter and led 1-11 to 0-4 after 15 minutes, helped by an early well taken goal by Charlie Keher and unerring accuracy from placed balls by Chris O'Leary. However, Lucan lost momentum from there and a goal in the 18th minute gave Craobh a lifeline. The sides traded points as the game became flat and at half-time the score was 1-15 to 1-8. The third quarter was very scrappy with neither team finding fluency and they managed just an additional point each as the game reached the 45 minute mark. Lucan upped it a little to increase the lead with some nice scores from Ciaran Dowling and Paul Crummey. Craobh got a couple of late points to narrow the gap a little again and there was 8 points between them in the end. Lucan were well worth the win but have plenty of room for improvement as they prepare for tougher tests ahead.

*Lucan:* S McClelland, M McCaffrey, J Bellew, P Claffey, L Walsh, C Crummey (0-1), J McCaffrey, K Fitzgerald (0-1), R Smith, C Walsh, C O'Leary (0-9, 0-8f), E O'Conghaile (0-2), C Keher (1-1), C Dowling (0-4), P Crummey (0-4), C McHugh, D Flannery, E Dowling.

### Junior A Hurling Championship: Ballinteer St Johns 0-7 Lucan Sarsfields 1-19. Marley Park, 24/7/2022

Lucan Junior As recorded their second championship win of the week with this comfortable win over Ballinteer St Johns, at a balmy Marley Park. Earlier in the week they had beaten St Pats (P) in a fairly one-sided and low key encounter. This was also relatively one sided but played at a better pace and Lucan showed



some very good flashes particularly in the first half, after which the led 0-13 to 0-2. Rob Ward, Rory Stapleton and Emmet Allen were all very prominent in that period of early dominance.

The second half was more evenly contested but Lucan were never really troubled and the backs easily dealt with any threat that came their way. Overall, Lucan will be pleased enough to have two wins from two at this stage of the campaign, with tougher tests to come after a short break.

*Lucan:* C Murray, P Smith, R Twomey, A Sheehan, G Millea (0-1), A McNulty, L Murphy, R Stapleton (0-3), D Kavanagh (0-1), R Ward (0-1), E Allen (0-6, 0-1f), E O'Connor, O O'Brien (0-1), N Stagg, S Harkness (0-4, 0-3f). Subs introduced: P Ward, L Garrigan, I Crowley (0-1), H Cuffe (1-0), J Dunne (0-1).

### Social News & Events

The 1995 All-Ireland winning Dublin football panel, were honoured at Croke Park this Sunday, great to see our members Jack Sheedy and Ken Murray on the pitch again.

### All Ireland Ticket Draws

This time of the year is busy for our volunteers who manage the draws for Croke Park tickets. A lot goes on behind the scenes from advertising the draws, collecting the entrants and running to Croker to collect tickets (even those that become available at the 11<sup>th</sup> hour). All this work is done to insure our members get a chance to attend one of the best spectacles in our Irish sporting calendar. We would like to thank our volunteers who work hard to insure every member gets a fair chance to attend the finals.

### Lotto

No Winner of last week's Lotto Prize of €2,200. The Numbers were **1, 16, 20, 22**.

**Lucky Dip prizes** go to, Orla Crowley, John Egan, John McGivney, Ollie Mahon and Sinead Seeley

Next week's Lotto will be for a jackpot of **€2,600**.

The draw is sponsored by Dual Printing Limited and will be led by Shay Hurson.

The draw will be held on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> July, at 9pm and is streamed from Lucan Sarsfields Clubhouse, on our Facebook page.

Make sure your entry is submitted before 6pm on the evening of the draw to be included in that week's draw.

Tickets can be purchased online at the following link: <http://bit.ly/LucanSarsfieldsClubLotto>

### Thank You for supporting Lucan Sarsfields GAA Club.

*Go raibh míle maith agaibh as ucht tacú le Na Sáirséalaigh Leamhcáin*





## Na Gaeil Óga CLG

Fáilte chuig an Nuachtlitir is déanaí ó Na Gaeil Óga, áit a bhfaighidh tú an t-eolas is déanaí faoi gach rud atá ag tarlú inár bpobal bríomhar.

### Foireann Iomána A

Tá an chéad fhoireann iománaíochta 2/2 sa chraobh tar éis bua luachmhar i gcoinne Oiléan na hÉireann.

Bhí na foirne cothrom le 30 soicind le dul nuair a bhuaigh Conan Glas poc saor. Chuir Tadhg Mac Liam go slachtmhar thar an dtrasnán é, rud a chinntigh go mbeadh an lá leis na Gaeil.

Bhí an fhreasúra in uachtar sa chéad leath ach choinnigh 1-1 ó Ruadhán Ó Feinneadha i dteagmháil sinn.

Ag tús an dara leatha le Brian Moran ag uimhir 14, thosnaigh NGÓ ag brú chun tosaigh. Faraor, nuair a gortaíodh ár lán-taca Michael Twomey le 10 noiméad le dul tháinig fir Fhionnghlaise ar ais isteach sa chluiche le 2 chúl tapaidh.

Nior tháinig lag-mhisneach riamh orainn áfach, agus chríochnaíomar an chluiche leis an scór dheireanach ón Liamach chun an lá a thabhairt linn.

### Foireann Iomána B

Bhí torthaí measctha ag foireann iomána B i rith na seachtaine.

Chuir siad tús lena bhfeachtas craoibhe tráthnóna Déardaoin i bPáirc Chaitríona in aghaidh Garda. Tar éis droch thaispeántas sa chéad leath, tháinig feabhas mór orthu sa dara leath agus bhuaigh na Gaeil Óga le dhá chúilín. B'é Caoimhín Silke laoch na himeartha, fuair sé cúpla cúilín den scoth. D'imir Adam O' Faoláin an-mhaith freisin.

Trathnóna Dé Luain, bhíomar as baile in aghaidh Gearaltacht Pádraig Ó Móráin CLG. Tar éis tús iomaíoch, d'imigh leaids Ó Móráin chun cinn agus bhí ocht gcúilín idir na foirne ag leath ama. D'imir ár leaids níos fearr sa dara leath agus fuair Seán Quinn cúl ó phoc saor, ach faraor, bhí an bua ag an fhoireann baile. D'imir Oisín McCann go han-mhaith do Na Gaeil Óga.



## Political Notes

### Cllr. Derren Ó Brádaigh- Sinn Féin

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### Crash Barrier – Outer Ring Road / Adamstown Roundabout – Update:

Following an accident at this location in early June, the pedestrian safety rail was repaired on the 20<sup>th</sup> June. This followed my representation to the Council. The actual crash barriers are now scheduled for replacement, with the necessary works scheduled to be completed by the end of August.

### Baile Adaim OR Maigh Arnaí?

I've been raising for some time now – thankfully those in the Traffic Section, SDCC have been very helpful and have confirmed any signs incorrectly reading Maigh Arnaí will now be amended to Baile Adaim.

### Destruction of 12 Trees – Castle Road, Lucan:

Like so many, I was angered to learn of the wanton destruction of 12 newly planted trees on the Castle Road outside Fforster and Castle Riada estates on the night of Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July.

### Cllr. Shane Moynihan – Fianna Fáil

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**Clonburris funding:** Pleased to learn from the Minister for Housing that the Government has decided to approve funding of €186.3m for infrastructure investment for the new Clonburris SDZ - ensuring sustainable, liveable and connected communities for the area which will host homes for 8,700 families.

**Recycling of electrical goods:** Recycle IT (<https://www.recycleit.ie/>) is a community recycler accepting and recycle all types of electrical, electronic, and pure metal equipment. They want to explore the possibility of free collections for electrical goods for residents of apartment blocks in our area. If you are interested in such a collection, please get in touch.

**Hermitage Park extension:** Congratulations to the SDCC Public Realm staff for erecting new entrance gates at the Hermitage Park extension – they definitely enhance it. The gates are handmade by Council staff – making them all the more special.

## St. Mary's Camera Soirée



This week Joe was in Bray at the Air Show and sent in some fine photos of the planes in action. He says he waited at the end until the DART had been sorted out.

Josie was in the Dutch Style Sunken Garden at Farmleigh and sent in photos of the topiary that can be found there. Sunken gardens in various formal styles were popular in the early twentieth century.

The one at Farmleigh was created some time after 1907, probably by Edward Cecil Guinness. The design has some similarities with the sunken pond garden at Hampton Court. The fountain in the garden has been restored under the direction of OPW and the Carrara marble exposed. Carrara marble has been used since the time of Ancient Rome and the Carrara quarries which are in Tuscany have produced more marble than any other place on earth.



We also had some beautiful sunsets. Conor sent in a sunset from somewhere in the West and Paddy captured the Poolbeg chimneys at sunset. The chimneys were built between 1969 and 1977 and are over 200 meters high. They are now listed as protected structures. While they only had a useful life of a mere 40 years and are no longer in use it would be difficult to imagine Dublin Bay without them.

*Stay safe and enjoy the holidays!*