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## Pentecost 2020 – An Invitation for you



We find ourselves midway toward the great Christian feast of Pentecost. Pentecost has often been described as the birthday of the church. Until Pentecost Day the disciples didn't amount to very much. They were in the grip of fear, a fear so powerful that it paralysed, it robbed them of all initiative and rendered them impotent.

Jesus however had made them a promise, the promise of a powerful guide and comforter who would lead them in all truth; they were to wait and pray. When Pentecost Day came and the promise of Jesus fulfilled everything was to change utterly. Fear was driven out, cowards became fearless witnesses; the doors locked for fear of the Jews were thrown open. The Holy Spirit

poured out on the Apostles on that first Pentecost Day is the very life-blood of the church right to the present day and continues to guide lead and teach.

If you would like to look at Pentecost from an in-depth scripture point of view there is an online course of three pre-recorded lectures available to you. The Tarsus Scripture School, is a catholic online scripture study resource affiliated to St. Patrick's College Maynooth and they are making their Pentecost module available free of charge. If you are interested you are required to register for the short course on their website:

[www.tarsusscriptureschool.ie](http://www.tarsusscriptureschool.ie) The course is given by three prominent scripture scholars:



Babel to Jerusalem and beyond:

Acts 2:1-11

*(Dr. Jessie Rogers)*



There is a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit:

1 Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13

*(Dr. Kieran J. O'Mahony)*



Breathing new life:

John 20:19-23

*(Dr. Sean Goan)*

So why not register today for what promises to be a worthwhile exploration of Pentecost through the lens of scripture.

*Philip Curran, St. Mary's Lucan*

## Lucan Citizens Information Centre

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

COVID-19 has changed the service we offer to the public. Our drop-in service is not currently available, but we are taking phone calls, answering emails, and providing a call back service.



**Call us on 0761 07 5090**, leave a message with your name and number and an Information Officer will return your call within 2 working days.

**Or you can email** your query to us at [dscis@citinfo.ie](mailto:dscis@citinfo.ie) and someone will reply.

**Citizens Information Phone Service (CIPS)** **0761 07 4000** operates on Monday to Friday 9 am to 8 pm.

**MABS** The Money Advice and Budgeting Service is the State's money advice service, guiding people through dealing with problem debt for over twenty years. MABS Clondalkin, phone 0761 07 2270 or email [clondalkin@mabs.ie](mailto:clondalkin@mabs.ie)

### Know your rights – Applying for a Student Grant

*(This item was posted on 22 April, 2021)*

I'm doing my Leaving Certificate this year and plan to go to college in the autumn. How do I apply for a student grant?

Student Universal Support Ireland (SUSI) awards higher and further education grants to people living in Ireland.

You complete an application form online to apply to SUSI. You must have an online account with SUSI before you can make your application. SUSI accepts grant applications for the 2021-2022 academic year from 22 April 2021.

You can use SUSI's eligibility reckoner to see whether you meet the criteria for student grant funding.

#### **These include:**

**You must** be an Irish, UK, EU, EEA or Swiss national. You may also be considered for a grant if you have refugee status, subsidiary protection or leave to remain in Ireland.

**You must** have been ordinarily resident in Ireland for three of the last five years.

**Your family's means** must be under the specified threshold for the previous tax year (2020). If you or your family have had a change of

circumstances during the tax year, your changed circumstances may be taken into account.

**You must** be attending a course that is approved for a student grant. You can see the list of approved institutions and courses on SUSI's website.

If you are refused a grant or are approved a grant at a rate that you don't think applies to your situation, you can appeal the decision in writing to SUSI. You must appeal within 30 days of getting your decision.

If you are living in direct provision or are in the international protection system, you can apply for support under the Student Support Scheme for Asylum Seekers.

You can read more about the Student Grant Scheme on [citizensinformation.ie](http://citizensinformation.ie)



#### **PLEASE NOTE:**

We are **NOT** operating from the Newsletter Office at the moment, but leave your ads, queries or notices in the **letter box at St. Mary's Parish Centre, before 10pm on Wednesday night**, and we'll collect and look after them.

Alternately email any of the following:

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**We hope to be publishing in hardcopy again, within the next couple of weeks!**

Our weekly block and small ads, which are not normally carried online, may be viewed on our 'Community' Page at [www.lucannewsletter.ie](http://www.lucannewsletter.ie)



Tune into Liffey Sound 96.4FM this weekend for a very different mix of music and chat!

### Saturday

**10am - Blast from the past** - 50's, 60's & 70's music presented by Terry Callaghan

**4pm - Hot Hits** - Kelly Darcy keeps us up to date with the latest from the Irish Hip Hop scene

**8pm - Sarah C's Electro house session** - Sarah Cahill plays an hour of the greatest DJ's

### Sunday

**10am - Out of this world** - Religious based programme with music & interviews presented by Pat Quinn

**11am - Bookline** - Teresa Quinn interviews local and national authors about their new releases

**12pm - Operaworks** - Michael Bourke presents an hour of Opera & classical music

**2pm - Cracklin' Country** - An hour of the best of Country music with Mick Roche

**4pm - Down Penny Lane** - Colm Grogan takes a nostalgic trip past strawberry fields & down Penny lane

**5pm - Music Parade** - Join Pat McGee for a 2 hour mix of music and chat

**8pm - Country Sounds** - Country & Western music as well as ballads from around the counties with Pdraig McGarrigle

### Bank Holiday Monday

**3pm - Lucan Live** - Maria Murphy presents Liffey Sound's current affairs programme

**6pm - Tommy's Top Tunes** - Tommy Travers presents an eclectic mix of music

### Liffey Sound 96.4FM- Lucan's Community Radio Station

[www.liffeysoundfm.ie](http://www.liffeysoundfm.ie) or catch up on Facebook



Age Action are offering five hours tutoring, remotely, to anyone who needs support using their smartphone, tablet or laptop. Covering topics like how to set up an email, how to download an app, how to use video calling to see your loved ones etc.

For more information, please call 01 4756989 or email [gettingstarted@ageaction.ie](mailto:gettingstarted@ageaction.ie)

## Lucan Library

### Plant-Powered Cookery Demonstration with Dr. Ailis Brosnan

On Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> May at 12 noon, we have tasty, nutritious, plant-based eating with Dr. Ailis Brosnan. In this online demonstration and Q. & A. learn how you can prepare well-balanced, healthy salads, snacks and more for all the family with fruit, vegetables, nuts, seeds and grains.

You can book through Eventbrite at [lucanlibrarydublin.eventbrite.com](http://lucanlibrarydublin.eventbrite.com)

#### About this Event

An e-book with recipes will be sent in advance so that participants can have the ingredients to hand and can cook along with Ailis if they wish.

**Please note:** One ticket per device, one device per household. A valid email address is required to register for this event.

### South Dublin Libraries Presents

#### 'Introduction to Classical Music – Handel's Visit to Dublin, 1741-2'

Online talk Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> May at 7pm  
Sit back and enjoy this talk on Handel's music and his visit to Dublin in 1741-2, by Peter Whelan.

Peter has had a remarkable career as a conductor, keyboardist and solo bassoonist. He is Artistic Director of the Irish Baroque Orchestra.

South Dublin Libraries now offer FREE access to the online music resource, Medici TV. Visit

<https://www.sdcc.ie/en/services/sport-and-recreation/libraries/library-services/online-resources/> and use your library card to enjoy the largest collection of online classical music videos – orchestral, ballet, opera and performance.



## Parish Notes

### St Mary's, Lucan

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



**During Level 5 Masses will be livestreamed on**  
[www.lucanparish.com](http://www.lucanparish.com)

**Sunday Masses:** Vigil Saturday: 6.30pm,  
Sunday: 11am

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

**Praying with Scripture:** Praying with scripture is continuing on zoom. If interested please contact Cheryl Murphy at 086 8343754 to register.

**Private Prayer:** The Church will be open daily for private prayer on weekdays from 10.30am to 6pm (funerals permitting) and on Sundays from 12 noon to 6pm. Please enter by the Main Porch Door and exit by the side door (near the Nun's Chapel). Please ensure social distancing when visiting the church and use hand sanitizers provided when entering and leaving.

**Deepest Sympathy** to the husband,  
family and friends of *Joan Corrigan*,  
Kew Park Crescent.  
*May she rest in peace.*



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

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

**All Masses are now streamed live on the Parish  
You Tube channel during Level 5**

**Sunday Masses:** Vigil Saturday 7pm, 9am,  
10.30am Family Mass and 12 noon.

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

**Private Prayer:** Church is open for private prayer, weekdays from 10.30 to 12.30 and access through church door at the bell tower.

**View the following on [www.stpatrickslucan.ie](http://www.stpatrickslucan.ie)**

Mass Readings for the week

Morning Prayer – Lauds

Evening Prayer – Vespers

Take five at 10 - Reflections–Weekdays: 10am

Taizé – Watch and Pray

## Divine Mercy, Lucan South

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

**All Masses will be livestreamed only on**  
[www.lucansouthparish.net](http://www.lucansouthparish.net)

**Sunday Mass:** Sunday 10:30am

**Weekday Masses:** Monday to Friday 9:15am  
Saturday 10am

**Daily Readings on website:** Under our Welcome menu you will find links for the Daily Mass Reading which updates every day as well as Sunday Mass Reading for the following Sunday's Mass. It is a great way to be able to read along during Mass if you so wish or take time to reflect on the passages during the week and see what message they have for you. One quick note is that if it is a Sunday and you want to see the Gospel for today then click on the Daily Mass Reading link as the Sunday listing will be for the following week.

**Private Prayer:** While the Church is not open to parishioners for Mass, the Faustina Chapel is open for private prayer from 10am to 12 noon Monday to Friday.

## Anniversary

**BEVAN (JOHN A)**

**1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary – 13<sup>th</sup> April**

Late of Sarsfield Park.

Remembered with love

So many memories left behind.

*Sadly missed by Elizabeth and  
family*



**ALONE** manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to COVID-19 (Coronavirus). Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week, 8am - 8pm, by calling 0818 222 024





### Getting there!

By the time most of you read this week's issue, we will have lots of detail about the plan for the following weeks.

With golfers and other sports people back this past week, many are looking forward to the wider opening of leisure activities.

Many will hope to be returning to actual Mass as opposed to virtual! It's really hard to understand how religion has been treated so far, when you look at the numbers moving around in supermarkets, and shops which have a funny idea of 'essential items'!!!



Very important for Birdie and crew is the re-opening of the hairdressers – we need to lose that all too familiar Highland Cattle look!

**The Beautiful Cherry Blossoms** came undone this week, with that icy north wind destroying the spring scene.



Alas, the blossoms now carpet the ground, and no doubt there are many complaints about them being walked into houses!

### Well done to Patricia McManus and Pat Colgan



who cleared the site around the Cherry Blossom at the rear of St. Mary's Parish Centre, and enabled it to show off its Spring coat this year. Pat has been doing trojan work with the church flower beds this past while, and has the place looking really well.

**Bank Holiday Weekend** – while the weather is not very promising, we do hope that all have an enjoyable few days. Might be no harm the weather keeping a damper on things for the time being.



**The Bealtaine Festival** runs throughout the month.

Click the link below to find out what's on:

[https://bealtaine.ie/events\\_2021/](https://bealtaine.ie/events_2021/)

Events include a Book Club, a Memories Project, Health, Art, Music, History and numerous other items which will be of interest to many. Hopefully be next year, this festival will be back to its old self. In the meantime, it is great to have it on line.



**2 years on!** Still no sign of the road and footpath being repaired along Lucan Demesne. We've heard that negotiations with the relevant parties are ongoing. In the meantime, there is no social distancing possible with walkers coming in opposite directions. It is impossible to see whether anyone is coming from the other direction before entering the set-up!

**We learn as we go along.....**



I'm old enough to remember when paper bags were being blamed for the destruction of trees - and plastic bags were the solution!



## CHOOOL NEWS



### St Joseph's College

We held a **Non-Uniform Day** on Tuesday to raise funds for an **'Outdoor Classroom'**!

This was a Parents' Association fundraiser.

Thanks to everybody for supporting the event!

There will be another Non-Uniform day on 11th May, to raise funds for 'Rosie's Garden', a memorial garden in memory of Sr. Rosario, a past teacher of St Joseph's, who died in 2020.



*Students arrived 'non-uniform' on Tuesday to support our fundraiser for an outdoor classroom!*

Members of our Student Council attended the **Ceist Student Council / Student Leadership Gathering** this week. The event was held online and featured a presentation by Prof. Luke O'Neill, TCD. This was the first ever virtual gathering of Students from CEIST schools all around Ireland. It was a wonderful opportunity for our student leaders to hear the advice & encouragement of Prof O'Neill.



*Transition Year students keeping fit and having fun during Zumba Class on Wednesday*

Some of our 5th Year students sat their ECDL (**European Computer Driving Licence**) exams this week. Our Transition Year students study the ECDL module in 4<sup>th</sup> year and can elect to take the exam at the end of the module. The (ECDL) is an internationally recognised IT qualification, designed to give students the skills to use a computer confidently and effectively. Last year the exams, which would normally be taken in 4th year, had to be postponed due to school closures. Well done to all of the students and to their teacher Ms Farrell!!



*5<sup>th</sup> year students preparing to sit their ECDL exam*

It was busy as usual in our **School Library** this week! Students are welcome to pop in and borrow a book. The Library is open after school on Wednesdays and Fridays.

Thanks to Ms Doherty-Malone and her team of helpers who always keep the Library looking great!



*Students borrowing a book from our school library*

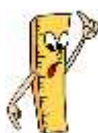
**School website** <https://stjosephslucan.com>  
**Follow us on Twitter:** @STJosephs3

## Coláiste Phádraig CBS

**Transition Year:** Our TY students finally got the chance to present a cheque to Conor McNulty, general manager of Marymount Care Centre for 1,500euro which they raised in a series of fundraisers in December. The TY fundraising committee of Conor Henson, Cian Dardis, Jamie Byrne and Ryan Bayly travelled down to the centre on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> April with their TY co-ordinator Mr. Dunne.

They were greeted by Conor who gave them a tour of the outdoor grounds and showed them the 1km path that is being currently built around the grounds for the residents. With the money raised by the students, the centre is purchasing a Trishaw from abroad that will be used by the residents for cycling around the newly created path as part of their activity programme, which is centred on their social and physical needs.

Conor was extremely grateful to the students for their fundraising efforts and he told them that they will be adding a plaque to the Trishaw when it arrives with an engraving "Donated by the Transition Year students of Coláiste Phádraig Lucan" or words to that effect. It is a lovely way for the centre to show their appreciation and the students felt quite proud and emotional upon hearing this.



The four students have also been invited to cycle the 1km path on the Trishaw when the work is all completed, which they are all very keen to do as they wish to maintain in some form of contact with the Centre from here on in. They were disappointed not to have had the chance to visit the residents due to the COVID-19 restrictions but they were delighted to hear that 100% of the residents have been fully vaccinated by now, along with 90% of staff.

We greatly commend the students, plus the school community and all those that contributed to this worthwhile cause, on their generosity and thoughtfulness. The fundraising committee in particular have been outstanding ambassadors for the school throughout the entire fundraising initiative.

Our TY groups attended a couple of very interesting workshops over the past week. The first of these was a hospitality workshop in the school canteen. Fiona, from Hospitality Skills Ireland, got the students to set up the room as a 5-start restaurant and then put groups of them at various tables while others were given the roles of waiters. Firstly, they learned about the correct way to use the fine cutlery laid out on the tables. They then learned how to greet the customers

effectively, take orders, serve food and drink, carry multiple plates at a time and also deal with special requests from customers. The students also learned about food allergies and the importance of personal hygiene.

The practical situational training learning allowed the students to acquire some of the first-hand basic skills required to work in the area of hospitality. The students will receive a certificate of participation in the workshop which can be put on their CV and used for those looking for part-time employment in hotels, cafes, pubs and restaurants especially. Fiona also kindly informed the students that they can use her as a referee if they are applying for jobs. The students thoroughly enjoyed the interesting, practical workshop and found Fiona to be engaging, patient, helpful and extremely professional. The students also took part in a hands-on, interactive drumming workshop in the Sports Hall with a qualified instructor who specialises in school workshops. The students learned how to create basic rhythms and beats using just their hands and feet to create the tempo. They then worked in groups to create small rhythms of their own using drum bongos and tambourines to put their newly acquired percussion skills into practice. It was certainly an energetic, loud and enthusiastic workshop enjoyed by all! The students will also receive a certificate of completion in recognition of their participation.

**Fundraising:** Well done to Liam Garrigan, Eoin Kilduff, Zach Delmar, Rian Fortune and Jack O' Leary who took part in a cycling charity event in aid of Irish Lung Fibrosis Association at the weekend. The students are all on the Dublin Minor Football panel and together the panel completed the Pedal the Perimeter of Ireland challenge which saw them cycle the 3171km around Ireland with each player and member of the management team, including Mr. Lyons, cycling 50km each. They managed to raise 10,000euro for an extremely worthwhile cause, which was a fantastic achievement.

"Happiness is not  
having what you  
want



It's wanting what you have"



## Lucan Community College

**Politics and Society:** Thank you to Eileen @CjnEcovillage for her excellent, enjoyable webinar with our 5th and 6th Politics & Society students discussing sustainability and life in Clough Jordan, Ireland's ecovillage and Community Farm.

**Supporting the Mental Health of LGBTI+ Young People:** Jigsaw have partnered with BeLonG To Youth Services to launch a new online course: Supporting the Mental Health of LGBTI+ Young People.

This course is for adults who work or volunteer with young people. It consists of a self-directed online course that takes approximately 2.5 hours, done in your own time and at your own pace. They will also be offering a limited amount of optional live Zoom workshops later this year to expand on your learning.

The course explores:

- LGBTI+ Terminology
- Attitudes around LGBTI+ issues
- Mental health and LGBTI+ Young People
- Strategies for creating LGBTI+ safe and supportive spaces.



Once you have taken the online course, you will receive a certificate of completion. You can register for the course here: <https://jigsawymh.typeform.com/to/nNhMka7s>

**Art Initiative:** Miss McKeever and Miss Byrnes art students have entered a competition with Herstory. Herstory was founded in 2016 to celebrate stories about women. Our students created images of women who have inspired them, these women were both historical, celebrity and even women from their own families. Well done to all involved... a selection of the students incredible work is displayed on the wall between the B and C areas.

### HERSTORY IS EVERY WOMAN'S STORY

**Founded in 2016, the Herstory movement tells the stories of modern, historic, and mythic women.**

Herstory, has partnered with RTE, Underground Films, EPIC The Irish Emigration Museum and the BAI to bring you the Herstory 20/20 Project. Launching in September 2019, Herstory 20/20 will run for 6 months across RTE TV and Digital, with interactive projects for adults and school children across the island of Ireland and internationally in our diaspora worldwide. #HerstoryRTE

**Leaving Certificate:** The Leaving Certificate 2021 exam portal reopened this week. Lucan Community College continues to advise all students to opt for both the accredited grades and sitting of State Examination Commission exams in June 2021. Students will be supported in school to complete this process successfully.

### The Greatest Unsolved Puzzles of Maths:

Thanks to Ms. Suttle and the Maths Department for organising an online maths presentation on the 'Greatest Unsolved Puzzles of Maths'.

Here is a taster to try at home. Use an imaginary page....

If you fold a piece of paper in half three times always folding the long edge in half, then cut all four corners off, how many holes will you make in the paper?

**Well-being Week:** A big 'Thank you' to Ms Brooks and her team who organised a fantastic Well-being week for our students and staff.

*Here are some of the highlights...*

### Staff Table-Tennis Competition:

Congratulations to Mr. Brennan to win the competition.

### Lucan CC Hero:

Everyone thoroughly enjoyed nominating Lucan CC Hero's.

*Below is a taste of some of the nominations:*

**Keelah Sisk** has been nominated as a Lucan CC Hero because she worked in a covid vaccination center in SVUH to help the staff get checked in for their vaccinations.

**Ms McCarthy** has been nominated as a Lucan CC Hero because she is always there if you need to talk to someone and she is very helpful in tough situations.

**Ailish O'Connor** - 1st year student - called her friend every week to do schoolwork and it really helped them both keep up as well as it helped their mental health by talking to each other

### Pieta House Fundraiser

Well done everyone for your participation. Lucan CC raised over 1000 euro.

**"Learn to listen!**

**Opportunity sometimes knocks very softly"**



# Political Notes

## Emer Higgins – TD

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**Dublin Bus:** Now that Dubliners can travel throughout the county and all school children are back to class, I called on Dublin Bus to return to full schedule. I am happy to report that from May 4, Dublin Bus will return to operating a Monday to Friday timetable.

**Over 70s Vaccination:** A very small number of over 70s have yet to get vaccinated through their GP. I asked the Minister for Health to open the HSE portal to those over 70. Please get in touch if you are over 70 and have not yet received your first vaccination.

**Litter:** Better weather and longer evenings brings increased use of our public parks and outdoor amenities. I have requested more litter bins and more frequent emptying of existing bins in Griffeen Park and along the Grand Canal Way.

## Gino Kenny TD- People Before Profit

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**Oireachtas Health Committee:** Next week the Dail health committee will be inviting the secretary general of the Department of Health Robert Watt in to answer questions about the recent RTE documentary on the keeping of dormant medical files for those families that were taking the state to court for the provision of special educational needs for their children. The programme raised some questions about the use of such files in regards to litigation. As a member of the health committee I will be asking the secretary general if it wasn't illegal to hold such file surely it was unethical. Families having to bring the state to court for basic educational needs for their special needs children is both morally and ethically wrong.

## Caitriona McClean

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**239 bus:** I wrote a letter of complaint this week to Joint Oireachtas Transport Committee about Lucan access to Blanchardstown Hospital by public transport. I asked the committee to hold the NTA to account, and add the one extra stop we requested.

**Outdoor dining in Lucan:** I welcome new Government initiative and grants for local businesses. I made enquiries about periodic closure of Main St to traffic. Many want to support local business while meeting up for a chat.

**Housing:** I received a personal reply from Minister Darragh O' Brien on commitment to measures to accelerate building of social housing and I have been assured of his real commitment to help young people access the housing market to own their own home in Lucan and Dublin Mid-West.

## Cllr. Liona O'Toole – Independent

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**Temporary Public Toilets:** My request to have temporary public toilets installed into the Lucan, Palmerstown/North Clondalkin area was passed at this week's Area committee meeting via a joint motion with Cllr Guss O'Connell. The motion will now go to the full council for discussion as temporary public toilets should be installed countywide. Many thanks to the residents for raising the issue with me.

**Pollinator Action Plan 2021-2025:** The council launch their pollinator action plan this week, this is based on the All-Ireland Pollinator Plan and sets out broad range of actions that they have committed to over the next five years. My motion raised and passed in April 2019 initiated and formalise this plan. I have been assisting residents' groups with plans to include pollinator and green friendly plants in their estate, if you would like to find out more please contact me directly.

## Cllr Shane Moynihan - Fianna Fáil

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Twitter: @shanemoynihan

**Dublin Canvas Artwork:** Dublin Canvas are looking for artists for the next set of traffic boxes to be painted. I love them and would love to see more around our area. I am pleased that locations in Lucan for the next wave of painting include those at Woodville, Lucan Main Street/Leixlip Road and Castlegate Way/Adamstown Avenue. If you are interested in learning how to apply to paint the artwork, you can learn more here: <https://www.shanemoynihan.ie/dublin-canvas-are-looking-for-artists/>

**Playing pitches and outdoor activities:** It has been wonderful to see our young people return to outdoor activities this week and I am pleased that South Dublin County Council has opened its pitches outside of match time to facilitate training.

**Abandoned vehicles:** If you are aware of an abandoned vehicle in your area, please let me know and I will ask the Council to investigate.



It's great to see the juveniles back out on the pitches for training, and well done to all parents for keeping to the social distancing guidelines.



**Foireann** is a new system that has been implemented using elements of the Return-to-play system, used during 2020 for processing Health Questionnaires. Our Club Registrar, is has been busy on the implementation of the new system. We have sent out an information sheet to all parents so that the children can return-to-train. Club Membership is now open via the ClubForce app or on the club website. New Members are always welcome, bear in mind that all players must be registered before they return to play/train. If you have any queries regarding membership or registration, please send an email to [lucan.sarsfields.registrar@gmail.com](mailto:lucan.sarsfields.registrar@gmail.com).

**Many Thanks to Hannah Tyrrell** for her very engaging chat with our Healthy Club on the Wednesday before the Women's 6 Nations victory over Italy last weekend.

**Congratulations to Neville Murphy**, the lucky winner of €1000 worth of MFC Sports kit for the U13 Boys teams in their recent competition on Instagram!

**Sign up to darknessintolight.ie**, taking place on 8<sup>th</sup> May and support **Pieta**.

### **The U14 Hurlers Skills Challenge.**

It's all to play for going into the final week of competition with numerous teams still in the hunt for glory. Well done to Samuel Hayes of Danesfort the top scoring hurler with a huge 28 and to Alena Keaney of Ballyboden U-14 the top scoring camogie player with a great score of 23. Big thanks to the great Tommy Walsh for doing



our demo video this week, which you can view on the website.

**Lucan Sarsfields GAA Club would like to extend our deepest sympathies to Paul Kennedy**, director of Automatic Fire (senior hurling sponsor) on the sad passing of Paul's father, Anthony (Tony). May he rest in peace.



**12<sup>th</sup> Lock Café** is open from 6pm-8pm weekdays and weekend mornings when training is taking place.



### **Lucan Sarsfields GAA Club Lotto Jackpot €6600**

There was no winner of the Club Lotto held on 22 April 2021 sponsored D.J. Engineering Ltd. The numbers drawn were **7, 8, 16, 20**.

**Lucky Dip winners of €30 each: Gillian Ryan, Moya Sweeney, Cathy O'Neill, Mags McCabe, Sean & Tadhg.** The Jackpot for the next draw, to be held on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> April, is €6600, and is sponsored by Clandillon Motors. The draw will be held behind closed doors at 9pm and live streamed on our Facebook page. Tickets can be purchased via the website, ClubForce APP or online at the following link: <http://bit.ly/LucanSarsfieldsClubLotto>.

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



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

### **Traenáil Faoi Aois**

Beidh traenáil faoi aois ar ais an tseachtain seo chugainn i bPáirc Naomh Chaitríona. Fáilte roimh imreoirí nua. Seo na sonraí do na foirne éagsúla.

Underage training returns this week in St Catherine's Park. New players are always welcome. Please see details below.

### **Dé Luain (Monday)**

6-7pm – Buachaillí 2010  
7-8pm – Buachaillí 2008  
7-8pm – Cailíní 2011/12

### **Dé Máirt (Tuesday)**

7-8pm - Buachaillí 2011  
6-7pm - Buachaillí 2012  
7-8pm - Buachaillí 2009  
7-8pm - Cailíní 2009/10

### **Dé Céadaoin (Wednesday)**

6-7pm – Buachaillí 2013/14  
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6-7pm – Buachaillí 2010  
7-8pm – Buachaillí 2008  
7-8pm – Cailíní 2011/12

### **Déardaoin (Thursday)**

6-7pm – Buachaillí 2011  
6-7pm – Buachaillí 2012  
7-8pm – Buachaillí 2009  
7-8pm – Cailíní 2009/10-

### **Dé Sathairn (Saturday)**

09.30-10.30am – Buachaillí 2011  
09.30-10.30am – Buachaillí 2012  
10.30-11.30am – Buachaillí 2013/14  
10.30-11.30am – Buachaillí 2010  
10.30-11.30am – Cailíní 2011/12  
11.30-12.30am – Buachaillí 2008  
11.30-12.30am – Buachaillí 2009

### **Dé Domhnaigh (Sunday)**

10.30-11.30am Cailíní 2009/10  
10.30-11.30am Cailíní 2011/12  
10.30-11.30am Cailíní 2013/14

### **Acadamh**

Beidh tús á chur arís leis an Acadamh ar an Satharn 1 Bealtaine i nGaelscoil Naomh Pádraig, Leamhcán. Fáilte roimh imreoirí nua i gconaí.

The Academy will be returning on Saturday 1st May in Gaelscoil Naomh Pádraig, Leamhcán. New players always welcome.

10-11am – 2016/2017

11-12pm – 2015

### **Cóitseáil 101**

Beidh tús á chur go luath le cúrsa a chuirfidh béim ar an dtéarmaíocht atá de dhíth le bheith ag cóitseáil. Tosnóidh sé i mí Bealtaine agus mairfidh sé ar feadh 8 seachtaine. Má tá suim agat clárú don chúrsa déan teagmháil le Ciara ar 0830723566.

A new course starting in May for 8 weeks will focus on the Irish terminology and phrases required for GAA coaching. If you are interested in registering for the course please contact Ciara by text on 0830723566.

## *May*

The lovely month of May  
If I had my say, I'd ask God to leave May.  
The trees are now green  
And so pleasant to be seen  
Bees are above us and bees are below us  
Bees all around us,  
singing their tune



A robin sings high on the church spire  
The sheep are happy high up on the slope

Man down the grass, beside him his dog  
O May, O May, come what may  
Over the hills and far away.

*Jack Collins (Lucan Creative Writers Group)*

“Shall I compare thee to a summer's day?  
Thou art more lovely and more temperate.  
Rough winds do shake the darling buds of May  
And summer's lease hath all too short a day”.



*Sonnet, 18.*

*The Bard William Shakespeare.*



## St. Mary's Camera Soirée



It is hard to believe but we are into May already. How the year is flying despite lockdown.

The photographs submitted this week reflect the fact that spring is well and truly here.



Michael submitted a video taken in his front garden which captured the beauty of the birds singing. Is it my imagination or are the birds singing even better this year?

Anna remarked that she had read somewhere that Lucan has a high proportion of birds and based on the singing on the video she now believes it.

On our weekly on-line meeting last Friday we compared notes on the roll-out of the vaccines and were pleasantly surprised at how smoothly things seem to be going. I was amazed at the number in our group that have received at least one dose already.

I have to say that our members look much younger than the age groups into which they actually fall for the purpose of the vaccine roll out. (Flattery will get me everywhere!)

It gave us hope that, subject to public health guidelines and provided the general population does not let its guard down, we should be able to meet outdoors, even in small groups, in the not-too-distant future.





*Until next week stay safe!*