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Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2022

## Mass of Thanksgiving for all Volunteers



St. Mary's PPC are organising a Mass of Thanksgiving for all parish volunteers both past and present who have contributed to parish life for the last number of years.

We deeply appreciate the role that parish volunteers have played in enhancing the life of the parish and in making it a warm and welcoming place for all. Many parishioners have dedicated their time to the parish and we wish to acknowledge the hard work and commitment of all these people. This is an open invitation to all individuals, groups and volunteers who have worked in the parish.

The Mass will be at **12 noon on Sunday November 6<sup>th</sup>** and there will be light refreshments afterwards in the parish centre.

*Please advise Deirdre in the Parish Office if you will be attending the afters, just to give us some idea of numbers.*

We look forward to seeing you all on this day.

*St Mary's Parish Pastoral Council*

## National Champions



Congratulations to Lucan Harriers U15 National XC Relay Champions (4x1k), Ferdia, Donncha, David and Jakob on such a great achievement. Well done lads!

## 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

### What is a scam?

A scam is an illegal or dishonest scheme that involves theft or fraud. Scams target people of all ages and backgrounds. They come in many forms including an email, a text message, a letter, a website or a phone call.

Whatever the method, a scam is about tricking you into parting with your money. They are becoming more and more sophisticated and difficult to spot.

Scams can be very convincing but this page helps you recognise a scam and protect yourself against them.

### New scam warnings

We are currently receiving a big increase in the number of people reporting issues around scams. A number of Government agencies are also warning people to stay alert. Keep an eye on the Garda website for up to date warnings. The Department of Social Protection has an alerts page for scam phone calls and scam text messages.

### Common types of scams

**Accommodation scams:** You are asked to pay a deposit by bank transfer to secure a house or apartment from a fake accommodation site.

**Antivirus software scams:** You get an email or phone call from a company that says your computer has a virus and they can repair it by installing software, but they take over your computer. The software allows them to access your personal information, or they insist you pay them before they return the controls of your computer or files back to you.

**Charity scams:** Someone asks you to donate to a fake charity or pretends to be from a real charity.

**Classified scams:** Scammers posing as legitimate sellers on classified websites trick you into payment for fake goods or services.

**Copycat websites:** Websites offering services from Government departments or local government but are not official sites, promise to make a process faster or easier for an excessive price.

**Door-to-door scams:** Someone knocks on your door and offers you a product or service, convincing you to pay cash up-front for a service that is never provided.

**Fake ticket scams:** Fraudsters using the secondary ticket market sell you fake tickets or tickets that don't exist.

**Free trial scams:** An advert promoting a product or service invites you to try it out for free or for a very low cost. When you sign up, you may be signing a membership or subscription service that locks you into costly repeat payments.

**Holiday rental scams:** Fake websites and emails offer you holidays or villas that do not exist. They require you to pay money directly into the fraudsters account.

**Investment scams:** You or your business are tricked into investing in a questionable financial opportunity, promising a high return or guaranteed profit. Examples are investment in forestry, biofuels or exotic overseas properties.

**Loan and credit scams:** A company 'guarantees' you a loan in return for an upfront fee.

**Malware or ransomware:** Software is installed by scammers on your device, allowing them to access your files, track what you are doing or demand payment to 'unlock' your computer or files.

**Mobile phone scams:** For example, a 'missed calls' scam, where a scammer calls your phone and hangs up quickly. If you call the number back and it's a scam, you could pay premium rates for the call without knowing.

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**Phishing emails:** A bogus email, for example pretending to be from your bank, tries to trick you into sharing your personal and financial information.

**Prize and lottery scams:** You are asked to pay some sort of fee to claim your prize or winnings from a competition or lottery you never entered.

**Romance and relationship scams:** Fraudsters using dating sites, apps or social media request money, gifts or your personal details.

**Sextortion:** Scammers send you a threatening email claiming your computer and webcam have been hacked and you have been recorded watching pornographic videos. They demand payment for the footage not to be released.

**Smishing attacks:** Smishing is a combination of the words "SMS" and "phishing". It is a scam where fraudsters use mobile phone text messages to trick you into opening a malicious attachment or link. Read more about smishing and how to avoid it in the Central Bank's explainer.

**Social media scams:** Fraudsters use social media for scams, including quizzes phishing for your personal details. Scammers can also pose as friends asking for money, or display ads for 'free' vouchers and products or services claiming a celebrity endorsement.

**Our website has more information on scams** and how to know if it's a scam and how to protect yourself, for example

Check the website is secure by looking for a closed security padlock symbol in the browser window bar (where the website address is located). Click on it to check for an 'encryption certificate'. The website address should begin with 'https://' - the 's' stands for 'secure'.

## LUCAN TOASTMASTERS

*Are you as quiet as a mouse?*

Do you hate speaking in public?

*Do you want to make new friends?*

If so, then **Lucan Toastmasters** is the place for you.

We meet on alternate Thursdays in the Springfield Hotel, Leixlip at 7.45 p.m. Admission is free for new guests.

Come along on **Thursday next, November 3<sup>rd</sup>**, where a warm welcome awaits you.

For further details, checkout our Facebook @lucan.toastmasters or website at [www.lucantostmasters.com](http://www.lucantostmasters.com).



## Ladies Football Celebration



Last Saturday Night, Lucan Sarsfields Ladies had a ball in the Club to celebrate over 30 years of ladies football, and the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of their Leinster Championship.

The girls would like to thank Tracy Walsh for the organisation, decoration and gathering of all the pictures, news clippings and stories.

(Above: 2002 Team)



## Lucan ICA

Mon 31<sup>st</sup> Oct: Craft Group will not meet as it is a Bank Holiday and Halloween. We wish all members an enjoyable weekend, and a happy and safe Halloween.

We will be back in action on the following Monday 7<sup>th</sup> November.

Ladies, a reminder to bring in your Shoe Boxes filled for the Hope Foundation. This charity helps children in Eastern Europe and Africa who never get a gift.

We thank Paul from Age action who came to speak to us on exercise for older people. We hope to begin classes soon.

We are taking names for the Lucan Drama and Dinner in the Spa Hotel on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> November.

On a very happy note, we send congratulations to our esteemed President Pauline Bligh, on becoming a granny for the 9<sup>th</sup> time, to a baby girl, Rosie Pauline. Best wishes to Christopher and Lucy and welcome to Baby Rosie.



# 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

**November 1<sup>st</sup> – All Saints Day: Masses will be at 10am and 7.30pm. (No Vigil Mass)**

Masses live-streamed on [www.lucanparish.com](http://www.lucanparish.com)

### Annual Mass of Remembrance

Our Annual Mass for all our departed relatives and friends will take place on

**Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> November  
At 8pm**



At this Mass the names of those from our parish community who died in the past 12 months will be especially remembered. The names of all those on the November list of the dead will automatically be included.

### St. Mary's Readers' Roster November 2022:

The roster for readers at the Saturday vigil, the 12 noon and 7pm Masses on Sundays in St. Mary's for the month of November 2022 has been sent to all readers by email on 18<sup>th</sup> October. If any reader has not received it a copy is available for inspection in the sacristy.

### Christian Meditation:

We meet every Tuesday night at 8pm in the Parish Bungalow. *All welcome, Sr Geraldine.*

### November Altar List of the Dead

Envelopes for the November Altar List of the Dead are available in the Church Porches.  
Please return to the Sacristy when completed.

### Legion of Mary

We meet every Thursday evening at 5.30pm in Room 4 in St Mary's Parish Centre for Rosary and Prayers. *All Welcome.*

### 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.*

**Confessions – Nuns' Chapel:**

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

### Scriptural Readings:

We meet from **7.30-8.30pm** every **Monday** evening in the Bungalow opposite the church. The group will read and reflect on the following Sunday's Gospel to get a deeper understanding of the Word of our Lord. *All are welcome.*

### For Sale Church Art Calendars 2023

In the Sacristy and the Parish Office. €2

### 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.*

### Coffee Dock Open:

Every Sunday Morning and weekdays 10am to 12noon. *All Welcome.*

### Baptisms:

Dates are bookable on line. If you need to cancel a booking contact: [secretary@lucanparish.com](mailto:secretary@lucanparish.com)

### 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 wife, family and friends of **Tommy Carroll**, Esker Lawns, to the wife, family and friends of **Bernard (Benny) Shanley**, formerly Beech Park and to the family and friends of **Jim Carroll**, Main Street, Lucan.  
*May they rest in peace.*



## Lucan Presbyterian Church

Main Street, Lucan, Co. Dublin

**Sunday Morning Worship:** 11am.

(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:** email: [lucanpresbyterian@gmail.com](mailto:lucanpresbyterian@gmail.com)

## Divine Mercy, Lucan South

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

### Sunday Mass Times:

Saturday Vigil 6:30pm,

Sunday 10:15am and 12:15pm

### Mass Time Changes from the 6<sup>th</sup> November:

We had changed our Sunday Mass times during Covid to leave an hour between the services for airing the Church but this is no longer required. From November onwards, starting with **Sunday November 6<sup>th</sup>** the Sunday Mass times in the Church of Divine Mercy will revert to **10.30am** and **12.00 noon**.

**Weekday Masses:** Mon.-Fri.9:15am. Sat.10am

All Masses will be livestreamed on

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



### Annual Mass of Remembrance

The Annual Mass for those who have died since last November will take place on

**Friday 18th November at 7.30pm.**



### 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.

### The month of October each year is dedicated to the Most Holy Rosary.

To mark this special month we will **pray the Rosary before the 12:15 pm Mass every Sunday**. We will start the Rosary around 11:5am to have enough time before the Mass. So please come early for Mass and join us as we honour our Blessed Lady.



### St. Joseph's Young Priests Society:

A new branch of St. Joseph's Young Priests Society has opened in our parish the Church of Divine Mercy, Lucan South Parish.

We meet once a month here in the parish. The aim of the society is to pray for vocations to the Priesthood and religious life.

All are very welcome and we look forward to seeing you all.

The Parish office can be contacted at 01 4572900.

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

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

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

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

### Wednesdays tea/coffee morning:

There is a cup of tea/coffee and a slice of cake **after 9.15am Mass every Wednesday** in the St. John Paul II Room (room with tables and chairs to the right of the porch at the main Church entrance. All are most welcome.

## 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.

**The 10.30am Family Mass** is aimed at younger parishioners and their families.

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

All Masses livestreamed at [stpatrickslucan.ie](http://stpatrickslucan.ie)

### St Patrick's Prayer Meeting:

Meeting every Monday night in the Pastoral Centre, (Side of St Patrick's Church) from 7.30pm to 8.15pm.

## St Andrew's Church of Ireland

### St Andrew's, Lucan:

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

**St Mary's, Leixlip: Sun:** 11.30am. **Tues:** 10am

**Services** are available on our parish

Facebook pages:

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

“Discover and accept what has been given to you. It may not be as much as you might like. But growth depends on acceptance of what you have and from where you're starting.”

*Unknown*

*From Divine Word Missionaries Calendar.*

## Anniversaries

### COLCLOUGH (MARY)

20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary - 31<sup>st</sup> October

As each day dawns we think of you  
As each night falls we pray for you  
And throughout our lives no matter where  
In our hearts you are always there.

*Deeply loved, sadly missed and always  
remembered by her loving husband and  
children*



### CORWAY (TERESA)

9<sup>th</sup> Anniversary - 29<sup>th</sup> October

Will those who think of Teresa today  
A little prayer to Jesus say.

*Lovingly remembered by your husband Des,  
daughters Olive and Marie and son Desmond,  
grandchildren and great-grandchildren*

### KILDUFF (MARY)

20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Chapel Hill.

In loving memory of our dear mother Mary.

Silent thoughts of times together  
Hold memories that last forever.

*Remembered by all the family*

### McMAHON (JOHN)

1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary - 28<sup>th</sup> October

In your life you touched so many

In your death many lives were changed.

*Always loved, sadly missed and forever  
remembered by Agnes, Una, Niall, Claire, his  
beloved grandchildren Roisin, Evie, and Jamie,  
extended family and friends*

### TRUNK (PATRICK)

26<sup>th</sup> Anniversary - 31<sup>st</sup> October

A day that is filled with sadness

Returns to us today

To mark the day you left us

In such a sudden way

In thoughts we see you just the same

In love and pride we speak your name

Sunshine passes and shadows fall

But love and memories outlast them all.

*Sadly missed by your loving wife Máire and  
family*



## Sarsfield Park Residents Association

Next meeting in Kenny's Function Room at 8pm  
November 7<sup>th</sup>.

We'd like to welcome some new and returning residents to the estate. We look forward to seeing you at the meetings going forward and hopefully the renovation works are going to schedule.

Just note this is the last opportunity to have the kids included for the Christmas celebrations so make sure to pop by and pay the membership fees.

Have a safe Halloween.

## Lucan Senior Citizens

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November:  
10.30am - 2.15pm approx.

Parish Centre and Spa Hotel.

Mass for deceased members and lunch in Spa Hotel.



## Recovery Meeting Reopened

Do you have?  
Anxiety  
Panic  
Anger  
Depression



**Recovery Self -Help Method Ireland  
CAN HELP YOU!**

Local Meeting:

**St Mary's Parish Centre Lucan  
Thursday 7.30 p.m.**

Tel: 00353 062 60 775 /

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

0872563193

# Lucan Library

Phone 01-6216422 or email [lucan@sdublincoco.ie](mailto:lucan@sdublincoco.ie)

**Halloween Colouring Competition:** Calling all 3-4 year olds and 5-7 year olds! Pick up a colouring competition entry form at the library desk.  
**Closing date Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov.**

## Mid-Term Events at Lucan Library

**Tues. 1<sup>st</sup> Nov: 10am - 12.30pm: Produced with Pride:** Film making workshop for 13-17 year olds  
Booking essential at: <https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/smartphone-film-making-workshop-for-teens-tickets-445349110177>

**2.30pm - 3.30pm: Snap Circuits® Workshop** for 9-12 year olds. Teaches basic engineering, electronics and circuitry concepts. Booking Essential:  
<https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/snap-circuits-for-9-12-yr-olds-tickets-445314286017>

**Wed. 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov: 12noon - 1.30pm. Creative Writing** 8-12 year olds. Learn the tricks of the writing trade with the ever-popular Maeve Devoy, MAD4Tales. Booking essential: <https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/how-to-make-a-villain-creative-writing-workshop-with-maeve-devoy-mad4tales-tickets-445211107407>

**2.30pm - 3.30pm: Juanita's Talk** - An interactive environmental show for all the family  
Join hilarious clown and star of Circus 250 Angelica Santander. Talk followed by a led discussion on positive solutions to plastic pollution. Booking via Lucan Library Eventbrite: <https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/become-a-recycling-hero-with-juanita-tickets-440279055507?aff=ebdsoporgprofile>

**3pm:** Storytime for Under 6s - all welcome

**Thurs. 3<sup>rd</sup> Nov: 10.30 - 11.30am: Dave's Jungle**  
A fun opportunity to meet some tarantulas, scorpions, snakes and lizards. Booking via Lucan Library Eventbrite: <https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/daves-jungle-tickets-439129637567?aff=ebdsoporgprofile>

**PLEASE NOTE:** All children **MUST** be accompanied by an adult. Tickets must be booked for each person attending, including accompanying adult.

**2.30 - 3.30pm: Magformers Free Play,** Aall welcome!

**History and Heritage: Tues 8<sup>th</sup> Nov. 7pm**  
The Making of the Blue Max Movie (Weston Aerodrome and elsewhere), an illustrated talk by Tony Maher. Booking Essential:  
<https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/the-making-of-the-blue-max-movie-weston-aerodrome-and-elsewhere-tickets-444544633967?aff=ebdsoporgprofile>

## Parenting Talks: Mon 14<sup>th</sup> Nov. 7pm

**First Aid for Babies and Young Children with First Aid for Everyone:**

First Aid for Everyone are first aid experts who provide advice and training to groups and individuals. This talk will cover baby and child CPR, choking, the recovery position, temperature management, burns along with time for Q&A.

Booking via Lucan Library Eventbrite from Tues 1st Nov at 7pm: <https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/baby-and-child-first-aid-tickets-445147015707>



## Wed 16<sup>th</sup> Nov 7pm: Little Lámh Workshop

This workshop will give a foundation on how to use Lámh signs at home/school. Participants will receive a book with some practical advice and illustrations of the 26 signs. Limited spaces - Booking via Lucan Library Eventbrite from Fri 4<sup>th</sup> Nov at 7pm: <https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/little-lamh-workshop-tickets-445315730337>

**November is Science Month! Sat 19<sup>th</sup> Nov 11am - 12noon:** An hour long session of hands-on STEAM activities with library staff member Noel, suitable for ages 8-12 years. Booking essential via Lucan Library Eventbrite from Sat 12<sup>th</sup> Nov at 11am: <https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/steam-saturdays-tickets-445328939847>

## Smartphone Help Sessions:

Do you need help to get full use from your Smartphone? Want to learn how to use apps such as Email, What's App, Facebook, BorrowBox etc? Lucan Library Staff are hosting sessions during Social Inclusion Week:

**Mon 14<sup>th</sup> Nov.** 2.30pm - 3.30pm

**Wed 16<sup>th</sup> Nov.** 2.30pm - 3.30pm

Contact library to book your place – ph. 01-6216422 / email [lucan@sdublincoco.ie](mailto:lucan@sdublincoco.ie) / ask at library desk.

## Events for Babies and Toddlers

**Musical Tots** with Karen Donnellan

**Sat 5<sup>th</sup> Nov at 10.30am.** Booking via Lucan Library Eventbrite, from Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> Oct at 10am:  
<https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/musical-tots-with-karen-donnellan-tickets-445243644727>

**Sensory Storytime for Children with ASD: Sat 12<sup>th</sup> Nov at 2pm.** Join Sharon Curran (MSEN, BA Mont Ed, Dip Hort) for a fun, sensory story time tailored specially to meet the needs of children with ASD. Booking essential via Lucan Library Eventbrite, from Sat 5<sup>th</sup> Nov. at 2pm: <https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/sensory-storytime-tickets-445290133777>

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

**Lucan Library Book Clubs Monthly meetings: Scrabble Club for Adults:** Tues 8<sup>th</sup> Nov 11am

*All welcome, contact the library for information.*

## Exhibitions:

**Lucan Women's Collective** - display of artwork on Thurs 3<sup>rd</sup> Nov from 10.30am to 1pm

**The Discovery of King Tutankhamun** - month of November

**Part 8 Drawings for the M4 Bus Priority Measures** - on display until 11<sup>th</sup> Nov.

## TTRS at Lucan Library

Touch-Type-Read-Spell is available from Lucan Library. 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@sdublincoco.ie](mailto:lucan@sdublincoco.ie) for more information.

**Please note:** All events are subject to change, but we will endeavour to keep any changes to the absolute minimum.

**All events and activities are free of charge.**





**Happy Halloween** to all our Readers, at home and abroad. Hope all have lots of fun, and stay safe!

Remember to take care of the pets, and if you are thinking of decorating your trees or hedges with 'spiders web', don't!!! While this decoration might look nice, it has the potential to trap little birds and other insects who visit these plants.



**An extra hour in bed** this Sunday morning when the clocks go back an hour and we're into winter time, with the dark evenings coming earlier.....

**Best of Luck** to all local participants in this Sunday's Dublin City Marathon – hope the weather is just right for you all!

**Congratulations to SOL** who won an award for their Heritage Week night event, at St. Finian's Church and graveyard, (*bats, biodiversity, local history + night photography*)



## A Sneak Preview! Lucan Dramatic Society



In *The Old Lady and her Medals* (JM Barrie) four charwomen are swapping stories about their loved ones involved in the First World War. However, all may not be as it appears. This heartfelt drama is directed by Mary Guy.

The dramatic construct of having a play within a play is not a new one but *A Time for Rhyme*, by contemporary Irish writer Paul Lynch, finds a way of presenting a genuinely new twist with hilarious results, directed by B Guy Kelly.  
*More sneak peeks next week.*

Tickets are selling fast for the 4 one act plays which will run at the SPA Hotel from Nov 8th to Nov 12th.

Tickets are €12 each with a discounted rate of €10 for OAPs. To book your tickets please text name, date/evening of the show and number of tickets required to: 086 3018982.

A dinner/show deal is available directly from the SPA Hotel. 2 course meal plus tea/coffee and a ticket for the show for the bargain price of 30 euro per person. To avail of this deal please contact the SPA Hotel directly on 01-6280494.

### TABLE QUIZ

in aid of

## NIAGARHOPE IRELAND

giving a future to children in Nepal

Venue:

### Lucan Sarsfields GAA Club

Friday 18th November 2022 @ 8pm

Table of 4 - €40

087 2189960 / 087 9225103



## Lucan Active Retirement Assoc.

Venue - St Andrew's Parish Centre, Main Street, Lucan

We had a great Hallowe'en party, lots of our members dressed up and we had a prize for the best costume. Our choir gave a great performance - nothing like music to lift the spirits. Our drama started last week, so we will have a good show at Christmas.

We are looking forward to a visit from the Society of Old Lucan (SOL) next week. New members are very welcome at 11.30 am on Thursdays. We play cards, bowls and Scrabble.

## Happy 7<sup>th</sup> Birthday

to

**Seán and Tadhg**

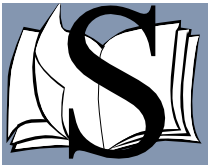
On 31<sup>st</sup> October

*With tonnes of love  
from all your family*

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# SCHOOL NEWS



## St. Joseph's College

**Maths week:** I can safely say that maths week 2022 was a success. From poster competitions to maths riddles, from guessing sweets in a jar to photography competitions. There was so much going on that I would not know where to start. We had activities during maths classes and even during lunch there was a countdown students versus teachers which kept everyone on their toes. Sadly, the teachers won, but it was clear that everyone had Fun which was the most important thing of all. We cannot forget to mention we had Ms Collender singing for us on the intercom her special maths song which was the highlight of everyone's week. Maths week this week really highlighted how fun maths can be and how it is included in our everyday lives not just in the classroom. You just need to be aware because maths is everywhere!!

*(Sadeem, Academic Officer)*

**Halloween Dress-up Day:** On Friday the students had a non-uniform day, this gave students and staff the opportunity to dress up in Halloween costumes. The students' council organised the non-uniform day and collected €2 which will be given to Aoibheann's Pink Tie Charity.

**Sport:** Huge congratulations to all our students who had sporting success last weekend starting off with Lucan Sarsfield's Minor B camogie team winning their championship final on Friday night, St Pats under 13 girls team won their championship final on Sunday and finally on Sunday evening our 6<sup>th</sup> Year student Lauren Strong was part of the DLR Waves under 19 team who won the women's national league final. Commiserations to our students who were part of the Lucan Sarsfield's Minor A team who lost out narrowly in their championship final. Our under 15 soccer team were in action this week in the first round of the cup against Clane while our senior camogie team are in action against St Wolstans.



**Outdoor Classroom:** The official opening of Rosie's Garden occurred a number of weeks ago and this week another major piece of work was completed with the installation of the canopy over our outdoor classroom. We are awaiting the specialised seating and our outdoor classroom

will be complete, this didn't stop Mr. Banks and the Transition Year Tai Chi class try out the new canopy on Monday morning.

**Transition Year:** Musical Rehearsals are ongoing and details of tickets will be released this week. These will be first released on our website and Social Media sites. There were a number of Transition year trips this week with two groups going to Airfield Estate on Monday. On Tuesday the entire Transition Year Group went to Co. Wicklow to Avondale to complete the tree top forest walk. Unfortunately the Giant slide was closed on the day but the students had a great day out. On Friday the second group of students made their way to The Chocolate Factory of Ireland in Carlow, the students got to make their own chocolate and also got to take some delicious treats home with them.



**Senior Concern Debating:** We were debating against Castleknock College. We were proposing the motion 'GMO's (Genetically Modified Organisms) are necessary in the fight to end world hunger. The debate was recorded, and we linked in with the opposition, on zoom. Our team consisted of Alena Varghese (capt), Sarah Eraseril, Sharon Owodunni and Sophie Henry. Our chairperson for the debate was Radina Hristova and our timekeeper was Tara Hollowed. The students performed particularly well, considering it was their first debate in the current league format. They spoke with clarity, coherence and passion. One of the key elements of debating is the ability to challenge the other team's arguments (i.e. refutation and rebuttal). St. Joseph's College were especially impressive in this area. The debate has been uploaded to the Concern Debating Platform and we await the adjudicator's report, feedback, assessment and overall result. This normally takes about 7/8 day.

## Coláiste Phádraig CBS

**Basketball:** Our u19 basketball team defeated St. Mark's CS Tallaght 42-39 last week to claim their 2<sup>nd</sup> group win of their Eastern League campaign. Jaime Sales contributed 20 points with Paisley Admansun, Jasper Nolan, Michael Cunningham, Calum Conway and also making important scoring contributions. The team will now play in the Eastern League Shield knockout stages having failed to finish in the top two of the group.



Congratulations to 3<sup>rd</sup> yr Gabriel Sales who helped the Eastern League claim the Basketball Ireland Post Primary Schools Inter Regionals Cup at the weekend. This prestigious competition was held over two days in the University of Limerick Arena with Gabriel's team winning five successive matches to reach the final which they won 72-52.

**Friendship Week:** A large number of activities were organised to celebrate Friendship Week in Coláiste Phádraig which ran from Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> until Friday 21<sup>st</sup> Oct this year.

1<sup>st</sup> yrs attended a workshop on the theme of anti-bullying. 2<sup>nd</sup> yrs had an anti-racism workshop while 3<sup>rd</sup> yrs did one on anti-substance abuse. 5<sup>th</sup> yrs attended a workshop run by Talha Alali from Amnesty International entitled "Write for Rights", the biggest human rights campaign in the world. The students learned of the importance of showing friendship to people whose human dignity is not respected.

6<sup>th</sup> yrs attended a workshop run by Jen Trzeciak from Way Ahead Therapy on the theme of managing health and well-being during exams. Jen also spoke to TY students about the importance of friendship/connection for mental health and well-being.

A lot of classes also did Friendship related activities with their subject teachers such as poster competitions, friendship quotes and poems, role playing and friendship themed songs throughout the week.

Well done to Mr. Keane all his hard work planning and organising Friendship Week.



**Art:** Over the last few years a number of Art projects have been led by Art teacher Ms. Ryan and a small group of Transition year students- Friendship bracelets, paintings and friendships trees to name just a few. This year Ms. Ryan decided that she wanted to make a permanent Artwork that would be hung on the walls of the 1<sup>st</sup> year area. Ms Ryan and Mr Flynn recently had in-service training on a high tech Laser cutting machine (that we now have in the school) and this training day hugely influenced the Artwork.

The piece is based around 17 qualities (such as family, friends, health, exercise, kindness, teamwork, creativity, empathy etc,) of which each student would pick ten that are the most personal to them. The work is inspired by the work of Contemporary artist Andy Goldsworthy - an English sculptor who produced site-specific sculptures and land art situated in natural and urban settings.

The students were taken into the old metalwork room in groups of five and given time to decide the most important qualities to them. The Transition year students Jack Morris, Ryan Sundaram and Sean McDonagh led the project alongside Ms. Ryan and were instrumental to the success of the project. Each student wrote the ten qualities into their school journal and would then pick a colour embroidery thread, the thread would be tied to the first quality and would wrap around the other nine and finally a student would write their name on a wooden name tag and attach it to the end of the thread. This process was done by all 143 first year students.



On Friday the 21<sup>st</sup> of October the Artwork was unveiled to the entire group at the first year breakfast. Principal Mr Brady, Deputy Principal Mr Geraghty and 1<sup>st</sup> yr Head Ms. O Neill were each given a large wooden leaf name tag and they also picked their ten qualities and went through the process with the help of the Transition year students, which was a great way to put the final touches to the Artwork.

**Well-being:** As part of the extensive well-being programme in the school, our senior cycle students completed the Rayse the Game Motivational Study Skills programme this week. The students were taught how to develop a winning mind-set, set goals and targets that will give them a clear focus for the academic year, organise and manage study and homework, create powerful notes and 1-page summaries using an innovative note-taking technique called WHIZGRIDZ and also how to build resilience and cope with anxiety.

## The Devil's Mill

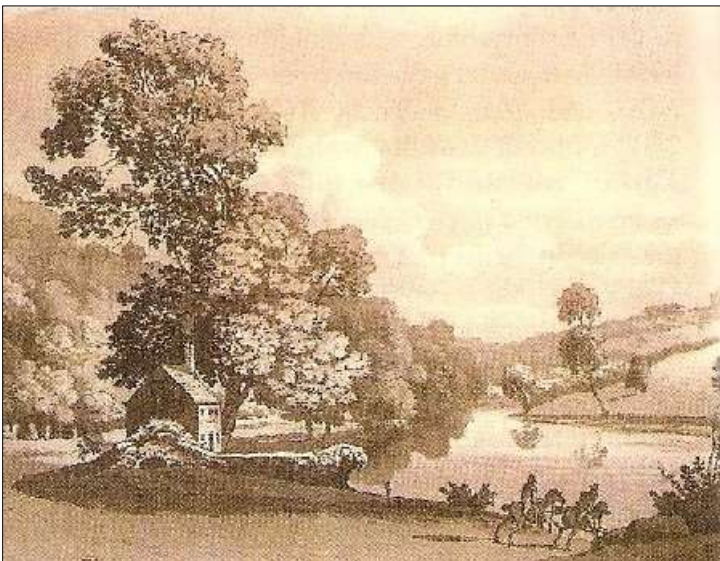
"Luttrell's Mill", now known as "Anna Liffey Mill", was once known as "The Devil's Mill". Legend has it that it was built in one night by the devil himself!



When Colonel Henry Luttrell (*left*) succeeded to the estate following the Jacobite Wars, he went from bad to worse until it is said the devil paid him a visit one night and made him an

offer for his soul. Colonel Henry agreed to its sale, but stipulated that he should not be called until he had enjoyed many years of wild life; and even then the devil should not claim his soul as long as he was able to set him an impossible task. This was agreed to.

After a reckless existence of some years, during which all the Colonel put his hand to, seemed to turn to gold, the devil one night appeared, and told him his time was up. "Build me a mill by morning" said the Colonel, "on the boggawn below at the Liffey". To his amazement the startling information was brought to him in the morning, that a mill was standing on what was a snipe-bog the day before.



*Copy of The Devil's Mill by Jonathan Fisher in 1792*

That night the devil again appeared and on this occasion the Colonel remarked he would sooner accompany him dead than alive, so would he kindly produce a rope of sand to throttle him with. The devil immediately complied and was tying a slip-noose on it when the Colonel, now at his wit's end to know how to escape, suddenly defied the devil to silence his wife's tongue. At the same moment a loud scream was heard to proceed from the adjoining room; and on the Colonel rushing in to see what was the cause of it, he was horrified to find his wife stretched lifeless on the floor. Stricken with a great remorse at what he had unintentionally brought about, the Colonel now begged for a three-days' respite in order to be present at this wife's wake and burial; to this the devil consented.

On the night of the funeral the devil returned and found Colonel Luttrell intently reading the Bible by the light of a single rush, which he was about to renew from a bundle beside him. In an agony of terror, he beseeched for a little more time to settle his worldly affairs, but the devil's patience was exhausted, and he refused.

Again the colonel pleaded if only to see the light of one more day; but the devil would only allow him just such time as it would take the almost exhausted to burn itself out.

On hearing this the Colonel jumped up, seized the rush-holder, released the lighted rush, thrust it between the pages of the Bible, and banging down and clasping the cover extinguished the light.

With a roar of baffled rage at being outwitted, the devil disappeared from Luttrellstown, and never again troubled Colonel Luttrell, who from that night became an altered and repentant man.

(Ref: Adapted from *Lovers Legends and Short Stories of Ireland*; Lucan and Lucanians 1996)

*Mary Mulhall*

## Clr. Paul Gogarty - Independent

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**Wall breach opposite Maxol:** At the last Area Committee meeting I received a copy of the consultant's report. Repairs are complex and SDCC still maintains it is the responsibility of the Italian side, although it says it will assist in any way possible. Repair work is due to go to design stage in November but to be honest it will be highly unlikely that this will be fixed in a year's time even if suitable contractors are identified. If anyone wants to see this report, please let me know and I'll forward on. The NTA estimates that the route past Lidl Shackleton may be in place in 5 weeks or so. We will see, given previous delays.

**Lucan Swimming Pool:** No update this month, but more workers were spotted on site recently. Spring of next year still looks optimistic.

*Happy Hallow'een all!*



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**Construction - Adamstown/Alderlie/Stratton/ St Helen's:** Residents have raised concerns with me about some contract staff working on construction sites on developments nearby in Adamstown. Having raised this directly with the developer last week, I was given assurances that issues regarding the parking of vans and staff vehicles outside existing residential homes would be addressed. In response, I was informed that increased parking allocation for staff on site, the erection of appropriate signage and the necessary communication would take place. Furthermore, the developer in question has arranged for any necessary litter picks too.

**New Dog Run – Airlie:** Airlie Park is almost complete, however a recent response I received all but rules out the provision of a dog run at this location for now. However, once construction is complete and the land is transferred to the council, it can be considered for additional facilities.

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**The Celbridge Link Road:** This new road is a multi-million euro project and will link Adamstown to Celbridge through a new 2km distributary road is near complete and the Council is expecting the road to open this side of Christmas. This should help relieve traffic congestion by providing an alternative route to the N4.

**Traffic Lights:** The timing of the traffic lights at the intersection at Hillcrest were raised with me by a number of people. South Dublin County Council's Traffic Section have agreed to get their traffic light contractor to have a look at this location to ascertain if the timings are optimal.



**Balgaddy School Visit:** It was my pleasure to be invited to present certificates to the newly elected students council at Divine Mercy SNS. The future is bright if these children are anything to go by! \_

## Gino Kenny TD - People Before Profit

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**Liffey Valley Staff Car Parking Protest:**

Workers at Liffey Valley are continuing their protest at the shopping centre over staff car parking charges. The public support has been overwhelmingly positive and supportive to the workers. Last Sunday nearly 200 people attended a demonstration to show their support and solidarity. The workers have stated that they will continue to protest until the charges are either suspended or scrapped altogether.

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**Adamstown Community Centre:** At this week's area committee meeting I had my motion passed, via a role call vote, requesting that the council management provide a plan and costings on extending the Adamstown Community Centre. This building was purpose built to allow for expansion when needed and given the demands on community space in Lucan this expansion is vital for the area now and not later.

**Hedge cutting:** I can confirm that the hedges south of Adamstown Bridge and along Hayden's Lane, are included in the hedge cutting programme.

**Grand Canal to Lucan Urban Greenway:** 71 submissions to date were sent in from the public. I will continue to engage with all residents, groups, business owners as the plans progress and before I vote on the plans.

**Best of Luck** to everyone running and supporting others in the Dublin City Marathon!

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**Griffen Avenue/Balgaddy Road:** Keeping our paths lit is important for making people feel safe. I'm proud that the extension struts I requested for the lights on Castle Road are working well, but there's a very obvious problem on Griffen Avenue for residents of Foxborough. I've sought the same solution here. I have also requested repair of the surface on this particular section of road.

**Divine Mercy SNS Student Council:** I was thrilled to be part of a very special day at Divine Mercy SNS, Balgaddy this week to mark the inauguration of the new Student Council! I was thoroughly impressed by how articulate, ambitious and amazing this generation of representatives were, and they certainly put me through our paces with Sarah McInerney-level questioning! Guím gach rath ar an gComhairle nua!



**Cumann na Sáirséalaigh Leamhcáin**



## Camogie

Last week-end Lucan ended their Minor Camogie season by competing in Division 1 and Division 5 Minor championship finals in Abbotstown.



**Minor B's** were first up on Friday, facing Commercials in a rematch of an earlier group game on the main pitch in Abbotstown. Playing surface was perfect for camogie but the weather the exact opposite with the girls playing the game in torrential rain under lights on Friday evening. Lucan got the first score of the night and kept their noses in front at the end in a tough battle but the girls never gave up in what was a great performance on the night. *Final score* was Lucan 3:07 – 2:06 Commercials. Aoife Murtagh received the cup from Karl O'Brien after Orla Morrissey was crowned player of the game.



Our **Minor A's** were next up on Sunday and had an equally tough game against Ballyboden. Lucan fought back from a ten point deficit to draw level in injury time with a goal, only for Ballyboden to get another goal themselves a few seconds later to win by 3 points. *Final score* Ballyboden 3:12 - Lucan 1-15, Both teams fought hard battles in their respective games and regardless of the result in each final this was a tremendous achievement by all the ladies in both squads throughout the league and championship in 2022.

Thanks to the mentors and everyone else that helped out during the year and looking forward to upcoming U21 championship.

Next week the Camogie story continues with a U15 Division 1 Final Saturday at 15:00, Iveagh Grounds, against Ballyboden St Endas. Our U14 meet Ballyboden again on Sunday at 13:00 in the Iveagh Grounds for the Division 1 final. In the U14 Div 5 final Lucan Sarsfields take on Naomh Fionnbarra at home at 15:00. Finally Na Fianna host Lucan in the Division 8 Shield Final at 13:30. Best of luck ladies.

## Adult Hurling Report

**Junior A Championship Final, Commercials 3-21 Lucan Sarsfields 1-11.** Disappointment for our Junior A hurlers lost out to a very good Commercials team in the Junior A championship final this weekend. Next Sunday is another big day with our U17A's in minor championship final v Kilmacud Crokes (1.30pm in O'Toole Park) and U19A and U17B in championship semi-finals. All support is welcome.

## Senior Hurling and Football Management

Selection Process now open for internal applicants to manage our Senior Football & Hurling teams. Anyone interested in being considered or wishing to nominate someone, please contact:  
Directors of Adult Hurling, Vincent O'Connor (087 207 5835) or Paul Stapleton (087 205 8572)  
Closing date is 7th November 2022  
All applications will be treated with the strictest confidence.

## Annual Remembrance Mass

The Annual Club Mass to remember members and relatives of members, who have passed away during the last year, will take place on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> November at 8pm in the Clubhouse.

The Club has learned of the passing of Gerry Colgan this month, Gerry a past mentor was also great supporter of the club through his sponsorship as owner of Lucan Spa Hotel. Ar dheis Dé go raibh a anam.

**AGM:** Club AGM will be held in the clubhouse on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> November at 9pm

## Lotto

No Winner of last week's Lotto Prize of €7,400. The Numbers were **7, 8, 16, 27.**

**Lucky Dip prizes** go to, Killian Lynch, Loraine Byrne, Miriam O'Connor, Eamonn Maloney and Paul Heneghan

Next week's Lotto will be for a jackpot of **€7,800.**

The draw is sponsored by Rea McDonald and will be led by Diarmuid Dawson.

Tickets can be purchased online at the following link:

<http://bit.ly/LucanSarsfieldsClubLotto>





## Na Gaeil Óga CLG

### Cailíní F7

Chuaigh na Cailíní F7 chun páirce sa deirdadh seachtaine in aghaidh Na Tráchtálaí. Bhí scileanna iontacha le

feiceáil ón dá fhoireann. Maith sibh ar fad, a chailíní.

Gabhaimid buíochas le Na Tráchtálaí CLG as an bhfáilte mhor a thug siad dúinn. Táimid ag súil go mór le cluichí eile sa toadhcháí!

The under 7 girls took on Commercial's at the weekend. There were fantastic skills displayed by both teams. Thanks to Commercial's for the welcome and well done to all the players.



### Buachaillí F10 - iomáint

B'iad na cluichí deireanacha den séasúr a bhí ann inniu agus ba chluichí iontacha iad! D'imir na buachaillí go léir ar a míle dícheall i gcoinne foireann an-láidir Naomh Sylvester san iománaíocht. Táimid ar bís don chéad chaibidil eile agus fáisfaidh an grúpa seo nuair a bheadh siad F11 sa bhliain nua. NGÓ abú!

The under 10 hurlers had their final games of the year against St. Sylvester's. There was some great hurling played in very competitive games. We're all looking forward to the next chapter in the hurling development of the boys when they play under 11 next year.



### Cailíní F9 - Peil

Maith sibh na cailíní faoi 9 a d'imir go maith sa deireadh seachtaine. Go raibh maith agaibh do Naomh Bríd CLG. Ba é an cluiche deireanach a bhí againn den dara séasúr. Is iontach an fhorbairt a fheiceáil sna cailíní.

Well done to the under 9 girls who played their final game of the year at the weekend against St. Brigid's. It's great to see the continuous improvement of their skills.

### Cailíní F13 - Camogie

Beidh cluiche ceannais camógaíochta ag na cailíní F13 go luath! Go néirí leis na cailíní.

The under 13 camogie team will soon be playing in the final. Best of luck to the girls!



# SPORTS



## LUCAN HARRIERS A.C.

### Cross Country Championships Abbottstown 16th October 2022

Lucan Harriers Juveniles were out in force last Sunday at the Dublin Even Age Cross Country Championships in Abbottstown. The club had over 80 athletes competing with all giving 100% and doing themselves and the club proud.

The Dublin Championships acts as a qualifier for Nationals with the Top 12 individuals and the Top 3 teams in each race from U12 and up qualifying for Nationals which take place in Donegal on the 20th of November.

In total we had 18 top 12 finishers and 6 teams medalling with 2 individual and 3 team Golds with 26.

*Here is a full list of our results:*

**U10 Girls – Dublin Champions:** Millie Lyons Kennedy – 5th ; Sarah King – 7th; Aneesha Ratheshan – 9th; Hannah Dunne – 19th; Abigail O’Sullivan – 26th; Lana Hearne – 32nd; Daisy Cantwell – 33rd; Molly Gallagher – 40th; Julia Nugent – 41st; Aela Doyle – 54th; Maya Kucajeva – 55th; Hayley Dardis – 69th.

**U10 Boys – Bronze Medallists:** Séimí Anglim - 2nd; Stephen Abbott – 12th; David Abbott – 13th; Senan Scallan – 19th; Arda Hayes – 29th; Michael Finlay – 31st; Paul Bastable – 44th; Naoise Duggan – 48th; Evan Duffy – 53rd; Jack O’Keeffe – 56th.

**U12 Girls – 5th Place:** Doireann Ni Fhiaich – 13th; Mia Dune – 18th; Maia Clarke – 20th; Raveena Ratheshan – 22nd; Cara Clandillon – 33rd; Gracie Wren – 40th; Saoirse Maguire – 42nd; Bronagh O’Donovan – 52nd; Ella Hayes – 64th; Lile Ni Dhomhnaill – 66th; Kaya Valcheva – 67th; Clíodhna Duggan – 81st.

**U12 Boys – Dublin Champions:** Conal Fitzgerald – 1st; Daniel Abbott – 3rd; Elliot King – 17th; Liam Collis – 19th; Sean Butcher – 29th; Charlie Bermingham – 39th; Adam Doyle – 40th; Austin Dardis – 47th; Mithil Balamurugan – 53rd.

**U14 Girls – Dublin Champions:** Poppy Lyons Kennedy – 6th; Rachel Jez – 7th; Isabella Lyons Kennedy – 18th; Muireann Ni Bhuachalla – 19th; Ana Jones – 21st; Ellen Kenny – 22nd; Grace Hughes – 23rd; Saoirse Scallan – 24th; Elena King – 28th.

**U14 Boys – Bronze Medallists:** Conor Abbott – 12th; Joe Bracken – 13th; Sean O’Flaherty – 22nd; Alex Shelley – 34th.

**U16 Girls – Silver Medallists:** Saoirse Fitzgerald – 3rd; Izzy Cuffe – 5th; Eve Clarke – 8th; Sadhbh Ni Bhuachalla – 20th; Katherine Kilcullen – 25th; Eva Collis – 28th; Eilis Tomney – 36th; Alison Bracken – 38th.

**U16 Boys – No Team:** Diarmuid Collins – 25th; Ronan O’Flaherty – 33rd; Davis Quinn – 44th.

**U18 Girls – No Team:** Eve Noctor – 1st; Aisling Fitzpatrick – 4th; Maggie Jez – 5th.

**U18 Boys – No Team:** Cillian Murphy – 12th.



*Some of our Cross Country Athletes*

On the Same day our own Mary Browne also qualified to represent Ireland in the upcoming International Cross Country in Santry, Eileen O Brien is a reserve in her category. Congratulations to both ladies on your success and wish you well in Santry in the middle of November.



*Eileen O Brien, Pat O Dwyer, Mary Browne and Will Byrne*

### Dublin City Marathon 2022

Best of luck to the 20+ club members who will be pounding the streets of Dublin this weekend in the Dublin City Marathon. There will be lots more club members stewarding in or around the Chapelizod/Ballyfermott

## St. Mary's Camera Soirée

Well, the first thing to report is that barely was the ink dry on last week's note about Cranes versus Heron when there was a report in the Irish Times of the discovery of Cranes nesting on a Bord na Móna rewetted bog. Conor advises me that this discovery is of great significance as this species has not bred in Ireland for 300 years, was thought to be extinct, but may now return as a breeding species. According to the Bord na Móna website the Crane is deeply connected to the culture and history of Ireland being central to folklore tales such as Fionn Mac Cumhaill, the Druids, St Colmcille, and the Book of Kells.

Preparations are well in hand for our exhibition on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> November in the Parish Centre. The 40 photographs selected for display were sent for printing earlier this week. The group is excited that after two years they are able to have a physical exhibition and to meet in person those who view it.



This week there is a touch of late Autumn and Halloween about the photographs submitted by Frances and Josie. Willie sent us photographs from Portugal.



Conor has been on the Liffey again in his kayak in the vicinity of the Samuel Beckett Bridge. The principal architect of the bridge (which cost €60 million) was the Spanish architect, sculptor and painter Santiago Calatrava Valls who also had a hand in the design of the James Joyce Bridge at Blackhall Place. The Samuel Beckett Bridge was opened in December 2009.

*Until next week stay safe!*