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Sunday 8th September 2024

A Welcome Visitor to Lucan



We are delighted to welcome Bishop Francis Kibira, Bishop of the diocese of Kasese in Uganda, on a visit to Lucan. Bishop Francis heads the home diocese of Fr. Ubaldo Muhindo and Fr. Dominic Kwikiriza (who now ministers in Beaumont parish).

Kasese Diocese is located in the western part of Uganda. It falls under the ecclesiastical province of Mbarara. The diocese was established on March 6, 1989, and covers a total area of approximately 3,205 square kilometers. Bishop Francis is the second Bishop to serve there and was appointed on April 15th 2014. Many of the parishes in Kasese are in a remote mountainous region where access poses something of a challenge.

While Ireland is experiencing something of a 'vocations famine' at present, the church in many parts of the developing work is flourishing, and Uganda is no exception. Seminaries are full, and there are many young women entering religious life. Uganda is a developing nation and the per capita income is low, so money is in short supply. The annual cost of supporting a student for the priesthood in Uganda is, in Irish terms, quite low, just €500, but even this relatively small amount poses a significant challenge for a developing church.

Could you help?

If you would be willing to support a student for the priesthood in the Diocese of Kasese it would be of great help. On the week-end of September 21st and 22nd we will make available in our parishes some pre-printed envelopes for that purpose. Your support would be a great expression of gratitude to Bishop Francis for his generosity in allowing Fr. Ubaldo and Fr. Dominic to minister among us, and a significant gesture of solidarity with a developing church.

Fruits of Irish missionary endeavour

For many years past, Irish Missionaries were instrumental in bringing the faith to many parts of the world. The Irish missionary tradition goes back centuries, and we can be rightly proud of the many women and men who spent their lives so that others might come to faith in Jesus.

Perhaps what we see in recent times represents the fruits of the Irish missionary thrust. Priests from Africa, India and many other places where our missionaries laboured have come to minister among us. They bring with them the vibrancy and commitment of a young church, and we have much to learn from them. Any support you can offer will be of great help.

*Philip Curran
St. Mary's & St. Patrick's*

Lucan Citizens Information Centre

Our telephone number is **0818 07 5090**

www.citizensinformation.ie

Email – 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 and 2pm to 4 pm

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

Working with a Disability - New Supports

What is the Work and Access Programme?

Work and Access is an employment programme that helps people with disabilities find or keep a job. It offers funding to adjust workplaces and make them more accessible. This new programme replaces the old Reasonable Accommodation Fund and the Disability Awareness Support Scheme.

Who can apply?

Funding is available to qualifying job candidates, employees, self-employed people, and employers.

To be eligible, you must be over 18 and:

Have the right to work in Ireland

Be working, looking for work, or self-employed in Ireland (specific criteria apply)

Have a disability or long-term health condition expected to last over 12 months

Employers in the private, community, voluntary, and not-for-profit sectors can apply.

What supports are available?

There are 7 categories of Work and Access support:

Workplace Needs Assessment: Up to €2,500 for hiring a specialist to assess workplace needs and up to 10 hours of communication support.

Communication Support: Assistance during job interviews and induction, with up to 24 hours of in-work support a year.

In-Work Support: Up to €12,500 a year for hiring a specialist support worker and up to 30 hours of communication support.

Personal Reader: Up to €12,500 a year for work-related reading assistance for the visually impaired.

Work Equipment: Up to €12,000 for assistive equipment or technology, including training if needed.

Workplace Adaptation: Up to €25,000 for adapting business premises or equipment.

Disability Equality and Inclusion Training: Up to €20,000 a year for training costs, covering 90% for certified courses and 80% for non-certified courses.

How to apply

The Department of Social Protection (DSP) is developing an online application process. In the meantime, applicants can request forms from their local Intreo Office or download them from gov.ie.

Individuals: Complete the WA1 form and submit it by post or email to WorkandAccess@welfare.ie.

Employers: Complete the WA2 form and follow the same submission process.

Read more about Work and Access at

<https://bit.ly/WorkandAccess> or call us on 0818 07 4000 (Monday to Friday, 9am to 8pm)

When someone dies

Bereavement - a practical guide is a booklet from the Citizens Information Board on questions about accessing money, getting help with funeral expenses and other practical issues. Available online on our website and from our office. Also online is a Checklist of things to do following a bereavement.

Your pharmacist can now extend your prescription

From 1 September 2024, if you have a 6-month prescription, you may be able to get your pharmacist to extend your prescription for a 12-month period in total.

Your 6-month prescription must be dated 1 March 2024 or later. Prescriptions that are written after 1 March 2024 for other periods cannot be extended by a pharmacist.

An extension will not be automatic and certain medications will not be eligible.

The change means you won't always need to see your GP to get your prescription extended.

Find out more about getting prescriptions on our website.

Esler Active Retirement Association

Esler ARA will be resuming meetings after summer break on **Wednesday 11th September**. I'm sure we're all looking forward to meeting our friends and catching up on all the news.

While club was closed, we had some lovely days out, including an afternoon tea dance in Royal Marine Hotel Sutton, full day trips to Arigna mines in Roscommon, also Avondale House and Avoca Weavers in Wicklow.



Photo are from Sutton outing.

We have some really interesting meetings planned for September in addition to bowls, card games and scrabble, as per SDCC leaflet.

Health & Wellness dates for your diary.....

11th Sept – Zumba Gold 55+ (Dance) 2pm to 3pm. Facilitator: Lorraine.

18th Sept – Chair Yoga 2pm to 3pm. Facilitator: Geraldine.

25th Sept – Horticultural Demonstration 2pm to 3pm. Facilitator: Suzanne.

2nd Oct – Forage Talk 2pm to 3pm. Facilitator: Feebee Foran.

Week of the 9th Oct – Evening Tea Dance with live music and food. Time and location to be confirmed.

So do come along to **St Andrew's Parish Hall, Main Street Lucan, at 1.30 on Wednesday 11th September**, new members very welcome.

Lucan Senior Citizens

Club re-opening in St. Mary's Parish Centre, on **Wednesday 11th September, 10.30 – 12.30**. We are looking forward to seeing all our members back safe and well after the holidays. New members are always welcome. Just call in for a chat and a cuppa!



LUCAN GIRLS BRIGADE are BACK!

For Session 2024/25

Singing, dancing, choral speaking, musical theatre and arts & Crafts.

Registration day!

Saturday 21st September at 11-12midday.

New members welcome

Looking forward to seeing you all

Sharon Kinsella (Leader)

sharonpkinsella@gmail.com

Comhaltas Ceoltóirí Éireann

Craobh Leamhcáin CCE Lucan.

Traditional Irish Music

We are delighted to announce our return to having a presence in Lucan again. We will be providing classes for all ages and levels (subject to demand) in Tin Whistle, Flute, Banjo, Fiddle. Button Accordion, Concertina, Bodhrán and Piano (vamping, trad tunes and accompaniment). A mixed instrument adult class is also offered for those who are quite rusty in an instrument they used to learn.



Registration/enrolment takes place in Coláiste Cois Life, Castle Road, Lucan at 7pm on Tuesday 10th September.

Classes will begin on the 17th. For more information visit www.lucancomhaltas.com or email lucan@comhaltas.net or visit us at the Lucan Festival across from the main stage.

CÉILÍ

Sunday 8th September

St. Marks GAA Club, Tallaght

3.00 – 6.00

Music by **The Anally Céilí Band**

Contact: Annette Phelan 086 192 0459

Carmel Jameson 087 774 6713



Minder & Toddler Group

Starting back in

St. Mary's Parish Centre
on **Thursday 12th September**
from **9.30am to 11.30am.**

All Welcome!



Parish Notes

St Mary's, Lucan

www.lucanparish.com

Sunday Mass Times: Vigil: 6.30pm

Sunday: 10.30am, 12 noon, 7pm

Weekday Masses: Monday to Saturday 10am

Masses live-streamed on www.lucanparish.com



St. Mary's Readers' Roster September 2024

The roster for readers at the Saturday vigil, 10.30am, 12 noon and 7pm Masses on Sundays in St. Mary's for the month of September 2024 has been sent to all readers by email. 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.

Lectio Divina:

Lectio Divina meet every Monday evening (except Bank Holidays) at 7.30pm in the Bungalow to reflect for an hour on the following Sunday's gospel. Meetings will recommence after the summer break next Monday 2nd September. All are welcome.

Legion of Mary:

Meeting every Thursday 5.30pm in the **Parish Bungalow** for Rosary and Prayers. *All Welcome.*

Bethany Bereavement Support Group:

We meet on the 2nd Monday (at 10.45am) and the 4th Thursday (at 8pm) each month, in the Parish Centre. We are available to listen or just be there for anyone who is feeling lonely or lost following the death of a loved one. If you would like to attend a meeting, please contact Sr. Geraldine through the Parish Office. (Phone 01 6217041)

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.

Confessions – Nuns' Chapel:

Saturday Evening 6.30pm Mass.



Coffee Dock open after all Masses!

Divine Mercy Devotion:

Every Wednesday morning in St. Mary's Parish Church after the 10am Mass until 11am (unless there is a funeral), the Divine Mercy Chaplet is prayed during exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. This devotion, revealed to St Faustina by Our Lord, is necessary to defeat evil, for peace in the world

Baptisms in St. Mary's:

Procedure for baptisms in the parish. Parents who register their children for baptism are invited and must attend a preparatory meeting in the month before the ceremony. Dates are bookable on line. Email: secretary@lucanparish.com

Recent Death

Deepest sympathy to the family and friends of **Willie Doyle**, Beech Park.
May he rest in peace.



Society of
St. Vincent de Paul
St Mary's Conference,
Lucan

For assistance, phone: 01 8550022
or email: info@svp.ie

Medjugorje Mass

St. Mary's Church, Lucan

Monday 9th September

Mass 6.15pm

Rosary and Prayers 5.45pm



Supporting Parents After Bereavement

Anam Cara South Dublin, the organisation that supports bereaved

parents, is holding its monthly Parent Evening for bereaved parents on **Monday 9th September at 7:15pm** in the Maldron Hotel, Whitestown Way, Tallaght.

This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether their death was recent or not.

Divine Mercy, Lucan South

www.lucansouthparish.net

Sunday Mass Times: Saturday Vigil: 6pm.
Sunday Masses: 10.30am and 12.00 noon.

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

All Masses will be livestreamed on
www.lucansouthparish.net

Mass of Thanksgiving for the Fruits of Medjugorje: Every Thursday.

7.00pm: Rosary and Confessions.

7.30pm: Holy Mass.

After Mass: Adoration, Divine Mercy Chaplet, Benediction. **All welcome**

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.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Confessions every Saturday 5.15pm and after the evening Mass.

Prayers of the Church:

Mon. to Fri.: 8.40am.

The Church is open Monday to Friday from **10am to 1pm** for private prayers.

Legion of Mary:

The Legion of Mary meets every Tuesday evening at 7.30pm in the Confessional Room in the church.



St. Patrick's Esker/ Dodsboro/Adamstown

www.stpatrickslucan.ie

Sunday Mass Times:

9am, 10.30am, 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

Adoration:

Adoration is held every Saturday morning after the 10am Mass from 10.30am to 11.30am. All are welcome.

St Patrick's Prayer Meeting:

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

Confessions: Confessions after Saturday 10am Mass and after Thursday 10am Mass.


Communion for the Homebound:

If any member of your family is sick and housebound, and would like to receive Holy Communion, do please let us know. You can ring the Parish Office on 01 628 1018 and leave your name and address, or email us at:

secretary@stpatrickslucan.ie

Tea/Coffee:

Every **Wednesday 10:30am** in the Parish Centre.
All are welcome

Faith Formation Group/Classes for Children & Teens (age 6-17)	Book early to avoid disappointment!
IT'S FREE!	
Starting on Saturday 14 September At 4.45p.m. In Divine Mercy Church Lucan South Parish	Learn through: Discussion, online child friendly /age appropriate stories from Bible, song, art, colouring.
Children/Teens interact in groups sorted by age, e.g. 6-10, 11-13, etc. Groups are facilitated by adults who are parents and parish volunteers.	Your children would really love this group! IT'S A GEM!
I have experienced the fun, energy, lively discussion, and great learning tools for children and leaders to get to know God who loves us and is with us always. I recommend participation, very highly, as it offers support to children and parents for whom faith is a value. ALL ARE WELCOME! (Cathy Burke, Catechist in Lucan Partnership of Parishes)	
Children from all Lucan parishes are welcome. Registration on arrival. Information available at catechislucansouth@gmail.com	

Birthday Remembrances

Neill Muldowney

47th Birthday - 8th September

It's especially difficult today

Not to have you here.

To celebrate the times we've shared

Over another joyful year.

We wish we had one more chance

To see your happy smile,

To laugh and celebrate with you

Just for a little while.

We'll hold onto you forever

Deep within our hearts.

And though you are not here with us,

Know that we'll never part.

This day was always special

So, we just want to say

That we are thinking of you with love

On this your Birthday.

Love always, Mam, Dad, Paula, Nicola, Liam and families. xxxxx



Orla Carey

52nd Birthday, 12th September.

Loving you and missing you every day, Orla, a wonderful daughter, sister and aunty.

Forever Young

Today is filled with memories

With happiness and tears

Of birthday celebrations

We've shared throughout the years.

And though I'll always miss you

The endless joy you brought

Warms my heart with gratitude and fills my every thought.

Wherever you are resting

I hope that you can see

How precious and uplifting

Your memory is to me.

You had so much love for everyone, Orla, a heart of gold, what it meant to lose you only God will know.

Your heartbroken Mam, Dad, Brothers, Sisters, Nieces, Nephews xxxxxxxxxxxx



Anniversaries

Pam Meenan

11th anniversary – 9th September

Deeply missed along life's way

Quietly remembered every day.

Love always,

John, Anna, Claire and family

Alan and Shane Carey

3rd Anniversary, 7th and 13th September

of our much loved and missed sons, Alan and Shane, Dad, Brothers and Uncles.

Forever Young

God called your names so softly,

That only you could hear,

And no heard the footsteps of Angels drawing near,

The Golden gates stood open,

God saw you needed rest,

His garden must be beautiful,

He only takes the best.

Not a day goes by we don't think of you both.

Always in our thoughts and prayers, no one could fill the void you both left, very sadly missed.

As life goes on without you both

And days turn into years

We hold you close within our hearts and there you will remain to walk with us throughout our life until we meet again.

Love you forever

Your heartbroken Mam, Dad, Brothers and Sisters.

Shanes Daughters Zoe, Keisha and Nicole xxxxx

Medjugorje Irish Centre Pilgrimages

Oct 2024: 7 Nights Apartment B&B from €273 per person sharing. Airport transfer available on request. Contact us for details and book the dates that suit you.

Tel. 01 4434510

or website www.med-irishcentre.com

Email: reservations@med-irishcentre.com

Ballyowen Castle Community Centre in Partnership with Women's Collective Ireland Lucan

2ND ANNUAL LUCAN HEALTH FAIR

Thursday 12th September

Ballyowen Castle Community centre K78 X6V9 10.00am-2.30pm

Join us for a day dedicated to health and wellness! Local organizations will be showcasing the wide range of services and resources available right here in Lucan.

For more information contact:
info@ballyowencentre.ie / 085 867 1245
devworker.lucan@womenscollective.ie / 083 860 7947

Lucan Planning Council

Magic Roundabout problem

The area that has been nicknamed the Magic Roundabout is a section of roadway from where Griffeen Ave and Griffeen Road meet at a roundabout to entrance of a new school about 200 metres from the outer ring road R 136.

This small section (200 metres) causes major traffic congestion especially during school terms. There is a simple solution that we put to the local councillors and South Dublin County Council planning officials.

The solution is to allow existing road space of the two lanes from the roundabout at school entrance where Griffeen Ave and Griffeen Road meet the Outer Ring Road R136 to operate both lanes towards R136. Leave the trees in the centre and construct at least one new road traffic lane from R136 to this roundabout. The land is undeveloped and sitting there.

The answer we continual get is we can't do anything until this land has been developed. This land is now in the process of development and action must be taken now to ensure this major traffic congestion is addressed.

It doesn't require much land from this development as the existing ditch is quite wide. This is a wonderful opportunity to solve this major traffic problem.

Lucan Planning Council are now asking residents to contact SDCC and their local Cllrs offering this solution and demanding action while development is taking place. This impacts hundreds of households who are delayed at rush hour at the Magic Roundabout.

Cairíona McClean & Tom Newton Transport Officer

Lucan Active Retirement Assoc.

We meet in St Andrew's Parish Centre, Main Street, Lucan, on Thursdays at 11.30am. New members always welcome, come and join us in a friendly atmosphere and meet new friends. There is a charge of €4 each week to cover costs, but there is no charge for your first meeting.

Lots of activities to enjoy. Bowls, scrabble, cards, drama and choir. Coffee break at 1pm. Organised trips in Ireland and abroad.



Birdie is in festival mood this weekend! Hopefully, the sun will shine and the crowds will turn out at Lucan House on Saturday and for the Fun Day in the Village on Sunday. Best wishes to all the hard workers.....

Birdie enjoyed WICKED at the Bord Gais Theatre last weekend, and it was all the more enjoyable finding out the one of the lead roles, *Glinda*, was played by Lucan's Sarah O'Connor! Brilliant musical!!!

Ballyowen Castle Community Centre

Email: info@ballyowencommunitycentre.ie

Telephone: 01 253 6105
or 085 867 1245

Follow us on Facebook

(Ballyowen Castle Community

Centre) or on Instagram

(ballyowen_community_centre)

Location: We are located beside Centric Health Ballyowen and Giraffe Childcare Ballyowen, behind Lidl in Ballyowen Shopping Centre (as you come in from Castle Road).

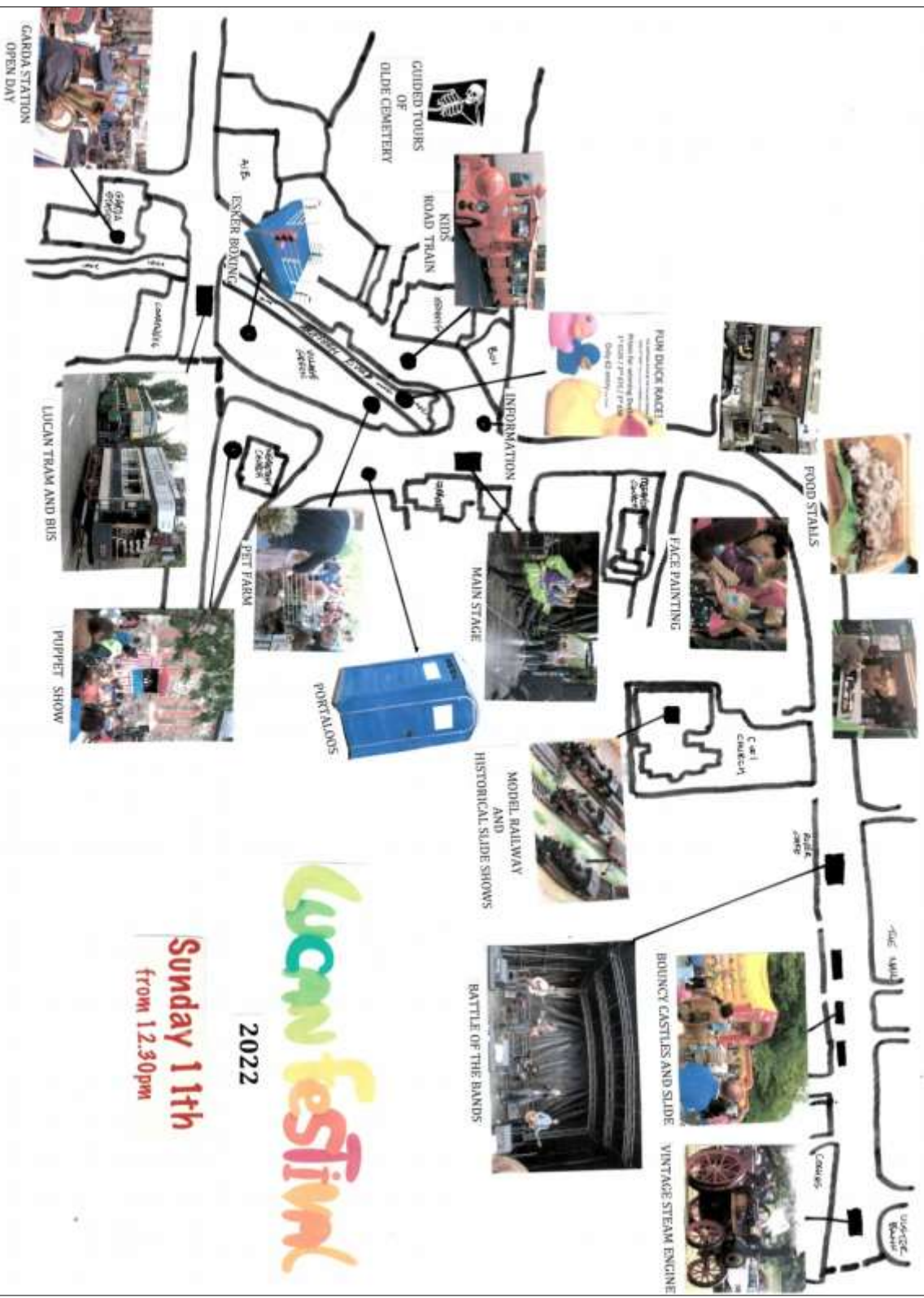


Room booking: Would you like to book a room in the centre for a meeting or a group activity? We have some availability and offer competitive rates. Email us to make a booking.

Lucan Health Fair: After the great success of last year's event, Ballyowen Community Centre and Women's Collective Ireland – Lucan will be hosting the Lucan Health Fair at the centre. It will take place on Thursday 12th from 10am-2.30pm. Pop in and find out what is available in our area.

Lucan Festival Chess Tournament: We were delighted to host the inaugural Lucan Festival Chess Tournament in the centre this week. It was great to see such attendance and interest on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. We are grateful to the Lucan Festival for including us in the week of events and we look forward to continuing to take part in the future! Well done to the Committee on a great set of events.

Junior Einsteins Science Club: We are delighted to welcome the Junior Einsteins Weekly Science Club to the Centre, starting from Thursday 12th September 2024. Further information available at <https://junioreinsteinscienceclub.com/events/ballyowen-thursday-science-club-12th-september-to-17th-october-thursdays-4pm-530pm-at-ballyowen-community-centre-dublin/>.



Lucan Festival

2022

Sunday 11th
from 12.30pm

3 Lucan Siblings Bring home 5 World Kickboxing Medals

The Wade family's Amy 17, Ryan 15 and Abbie 12) from Lucan have just returned from the WAKO World Kickboxing Championships in Hungary held in Budapest.

They train in the well renowned Cabra club - KKC (Korean Kickboxing Club Cabra) under the guidance of some great coaches there.



Amazingly they managed to get to 3 semi-finals and 2 finals, culminating in 1 Gold, 1 Silver and 3 Bronze medals making them the talk of the tournament.

To put it into perspective there were 77 Irish fighters in total for the Irish Squad (KBI - KickBoxing Ireland) in all divisions and weight classes, with an impressive 34 medals that the Irish Squad came home with, 5 of them from the Wade Trio alone.

Abbie the youngest of the siblings, became a World Champion!!!!

They all trained very hard over the summer and sacrificed a lot to first of all make the Irish team and second to do so well.

An extraordinary accomplishment from 3 siblings from the same World Championship which is a very rare achievement.

They receive no funding from the Irish Government unlike the other National teams they are up against and still managed to not only compete with the best in the World but also beat them.



Abbie who became a World Champion, on the podium.

These three young people are very grateful to their sponsors who are **Lucan Credit Union**, **Mizzonis Pizza** and **Clayton Liffey Valley**.

Congratulations to Amy, Ryan and Abbie on their wonderful achievements!

We received the above report from one proud Dad, Andy Wade.



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Parish Notes / Anniversaries
annalucannewsletter@gmail.com

Reports and Ads. etc may also be left at the usual addresses: St. Mary's Parish Centre Or 3 Hillcrest Walk, Lucan.
Remember 10pm, Wednesday night is the weekly deadline.



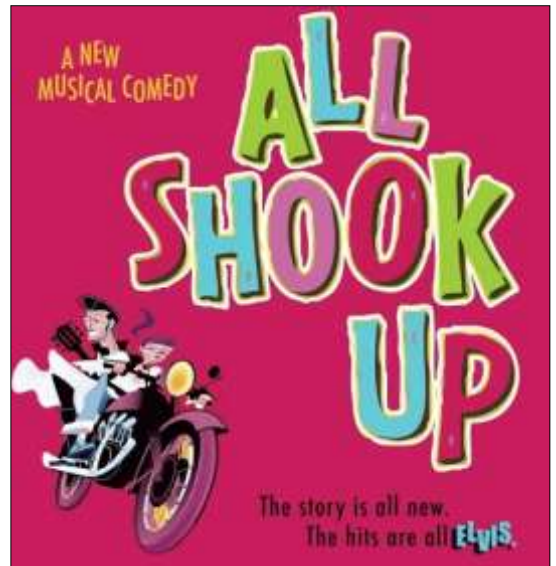


SCHOOL NEWS



St. Joseph's College

Sarah O' Connor visit: On Tuesday, past student Sarah O'Connor visited the school to talk to and do Question and Answers session with all transition year and music students. It was a fantastic talk where Sarah outlined to students her career up to date in acting, how she got into acting, how she prepares for auditions, how she looks after her voice and more. Sarah is currently starring as Glinda in *Wicked* in the Bord Gais as part of its UK and Ireland tour from December 2023 – January 2025. She has previously starred in many musicals including *Waitress* in London's West End. Many thanks to Sarah for taking time out of her busy schedule to come in and see us.



Upcoming trips: School tours and trips are starting to begin again in the school after the summer break. In the next week the TY's are visiting Causey Farm and also have a Public Speaking workshop while the sixth year geography students are travelling to Kippure as part of their Leaving Certificate course and sixth year art students are visiting the National Gallery.

Transition Year Musical: This year's TY musical has been announced and it is 'All Shook Up'. Best of luck to all involved over the coming weeks as they prepare for the show.

Follow Us on Twitter: @StJosephsLucan

Instagram: @stjosephscollegelucan

Website: www.stjosephslucan.com

Aquaponics: A group of students were busy this week in science class working on Aquaponics. This is a program run in the school by Mr Quinn where nutrients provided by fish is used to grow plants in a soil-less environment. Students were adding shrimp, mini frogs, and live feed to their aquarium which already contains, danios, tetras and guppies. The students are using their Aquaponics aquarium to grow strawberry and mint plants.



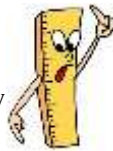
Coláiste Phádraig CBS

Leaving Cert Results: Congratulations to all of our Leaving Cert students who received their exam results on Friday 23rd August.

In total, eight of our students attained over 600 points. This represented 8% of the total number of our students, which was impressively higher than the National Average of 5%. Two of our students, Ahmad Hassan and Yeldo Joseph Saji, achieved the maximum of 625 points (6 H1s plus 25 bonus points for a H1 in Higher Level Maths).

A further 14 students got over 500 points, (representing 14% of our total) and another 25 students got over 400 points. So, 47% of our students got between 400 and 625 points, which was a fantastic return.

Of course, it was not all about the high achievers on Results Day. The Learning Support Department are especially proud of the achievements of the students who they worked with over the years. Every student that availed of Learning Support passed their Leaving Cert in style this year so well done to each and every one of the students involved.



School news: Our new **Home Economics** Room is finally officially open, after the water, electricity and heating were completed over the summer months, and it is already proving to be a huge hit with students! Home Economics combines aspects of Science, Nutrition, Consumer and Social Studies as well as practical culinary and textile skills. Currently it is being offered as an option subject for 1st yrs and a module for Transition Year. When the current 1st yrs are in 3rd yr, they will sit a practical food skills exam, which will be worth 50% of the marks, and a written exam (worth the other 50%) for their Junior Cycle. If they wish, they can also then select Home Economics as a Leaving Cert subject when they reach 5th yr.

The room looks fantastic with its individual work benches, group work zones, state-of-the-art cookers, fridges, microwaves, washing machines, presses, store areas, bespoke furniture, kitchen and cooking equipment etc. Clearly, Home Economics is a very hands-on, practical subject where students can learn so many essential life-skills that can serve them well for the rest of their lives.

It promises to be a wonderful addition to the school and it is sure to be a very popular choice for students selecting their options.

Staff news: We would like to congratulate Tom O' Meara on his appointment as principal of Coláiste Phádraig. We have no doubt that the school will continue to thrive and develop under

his leadership in the months and years ahead. The students and staff look forward to seeing the positive impact that he will undoubtedly make in his new role. Former principal Mr. Brady (2014-2023) was briefly on the school grounds last Friday morning and it was great (and a little nostalgic!) to see him deep in conversation with our new principal, no doubt offering some helpful words of advice and guidance on the 1st day of regular school for all students.

Our new principal was also particularly struck by the inclusive school environment in Coláiste Phádraig and how every single student is valued and respected for who they are. Over the past few years especially, our students have learned to embrace diversity, acknowledge and celebrate differences, dismantle barriers and to prioritise tolerance, empathy and inclusivity. We are proud to welcome Mr. O' Meara to Coláiste Phádraig and we are confident that he can build on this compassionate and supportive culture in our highly multi-cultural school in the years ahead. Mr. Canning has been appointed as Deputy Principal of Coláiste Phádraig in a permanent role, having fulfilled these duties on an acting basis last year. We wish our new management team the best of luck.



Book rental: Ms. Looby would like to thank a number of students who were an enormous help to her in rolling out the Book Rental Scheme again this year. This is a massive operation involving the ordering, collection, labelling, covering and distributing over 3,000 schoolbooks, over 2,000 hard-back copies and various other supplies to the students and it is a time consuming and demanding activity. The senior students involved, Abhinav and Aniruddh Sriram, James Dazo, Seán Keegan and Tom Doran did an absolutely fantastic job with the books. The Book Rental Scheme in the school, which has been extended this year to free books for all Junior Cycle students, has been a huge success in alleviating some of the financial strain and pressure on parents so we thank Ms. Looby and the students for their hard work, professionalism and organisational skills throughout the arduous process.

Lucan Library – September Events

Please note:

1. All events and activities are free of charge.
2. All events are subject to change, but we will endeavour to keep any changes to the absolute minimum.
3. To register for events via Eventbrite, a valid email address is required.

Summer Stars Celebration

Congratulations to all who took part in the Summer Stars Reading Adventure! All welcome to join our celebration on Saturday 7th September:

10.30am - 11.30am Face Painter

12.30pm Jack Flash Magic Show

Table Quiz for Adults

Thursday 12th September at 2pm.

Always a fun afternoon! Please register at library desk to take part.



Dublin Climate Action Week

Film Showing: A Life on This Planet - David Attenborough

Thursday 12th September, 6pm. All welcome.

Computer Skills for Adults - course delivered by DDLETB. Tuesday 17th at 1.30pm (First class AND Registration Day).

The new 8 week term of Computer Classes for Adults will begin on Tuesday 17th September at 1.30pm. Please give your details at the desk in advance. Registration will take place at the first class, Tuesday 17th Sept.

English Classes - course delivered by DDLETB Mondays, 6pm - 8pm beginning 9th September.

Please note that you MUST register for this English course before taking part. Please leave your name and phone number at the library desk

and you will be contacted by DDLETB for assessment before 9th September.

Poet's Perch – Monthly Poetry Circle for Adults resumes Tuesday 10th September, 6.30pm. All welcome.

Chat and Play Session for Neuro-Divergent Pre-School Children with Rebecca McDermott, founder of This is Me and qualified Play Practitioner

Wednesday 11th September, 10am

Play session for neuro-divergent pre-school children led by Rebecca. Please book a ticket for each pre-school child attending. Children must be accompanied by parent/guardian.

Booking essential:

<https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/chat-and-play-sessions-for-neuro-divergent-pre-school-children-tickets-1000002964787>

Art & Creativity with Elena, for 9-12 year olds Thursday 26th September, 3.30pm

Booking essential via Lucan Library Eventbrite:

<https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/art-and-creativity-with-elena-at-lucan-library-for-9-12-years-tickets-949877026757>

Events for Younger Children:

Storytime - Tuesdays at 3pm. All welcome!

Musical Tots: Saturday 14th September, 10.30am. Booking essential from Saturday 7th September at 10.30am:

<https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/musical-tots-with-karen-at-lucan-library-tickets-950830117477>

Toddler Time with Little Turtles: Thursday 26th September, 10am. Booking essential from Thursday 19th September at 10am:

<https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/toddler-time-with-little-turtles-leader-natasha-tickets-1004694005817>

Arts and Crafts for Under 6s with Méabh:

Tuesday 10th September 3.30pm. Booking essential from Tuesday 3rd September at 3.30pm:

<https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/autumn-crafts-tickets-1000067888977>

Lucan Library Book Clubs:

Wednesday Book Club:

Wednesday 25th September, 7pm

Lucan Library Knitters Club -

Every Monday 10am - 12noon - new members welcome

Lucan Library Creative Writers Group -

Thursdays 19th September, 10am – 12noon.





Cumann na Sáirséalaigh Leamhcáin



Lotto

We had no winner of last week's lotto jackpot of €7,400

The Numbers were **9, 11, 19, 20.**

The lucky dip prizes go to Catherine Ritchie, Pat Keane, Clandillon Family, Mick Roche, Stag Family.

This week's Lotto will be for a jackpot of €7,800. The draw is sponsored by Lucan Village and will be led by Cormac Gordon.



Ladies Football

Well done to our Intermediate Ladies footballers on a great win over St Brigid's on a score line of 4:02 – 1:10. This win leaves them joint top of their group and secures them a spot in the semi-final with one more group game to go.

Hurling

All five of our adult teams were in action this weekend in the penultimate round of the Championship groups. The seniors secured a dramatic draw with Kilmacud Crokes, the Intermediates lost to Commercial, while there were good away wins for our Junior As, Junior Bs and Junior Cs (See match reports below). The Seniors, Junior As and Junior Bs have all secured a place in the quarter-finals, while the Intermediates and Junior Cs remain very much in contention with a game to play. Best of luck to our Minor hurling teams who commence their championships next weekend.

Social

The Cúpla Focal club is back next Monday the 9th of September. These classes are free of charge and will run every Monday from 8-9pm.

(Voluntary donations to Nagarhope welcome).

This is a great opportunity to practice and learn to speak Irish in a fun and relaxed atmosphere.

Contact cuplafocalclub@gmail.com for more information.

Planning Permission

Planning permission for a new ball wall and the extension of our juvenile pitch into a full-size all-weather pitch has been submitted to South Dublin County Council.

Planning permission has been posted at the entrance, exit and turn into the clubhouse.

Lots of hard work and fundraising over the years has gotten us to this stage in our development

plans. A special word of appreciation to Colm Farrell who has worked tirelessly to get these plans submitted.

County

With the juvenile county competitions in full flow, we have had several club players involved across several age groups and codes.

(see below for full list of names)

Well done to all involved.

U14 Camogie – Caoimhe Buckley, Holly Whelan, Mia Donohue, Meabh Maloney & Sofia Dowdall

U14 Hurling - Tomás McSweeney, Victor Adanikn & Johnny Donovan

U15 Camogie – Ciara Bresnan, Grace Birch, Erin Hynes, Sadhbh Ní Mháirtín & Holly Armstrong

U15 Hurling Development – Derry Ware, Henry Greene & Jack McCarthy

U16 Hurling Development – Bill Donovan & Jack Mills

Thank You for supporting Lucan Sarsfields GAA Club



Lucan
Tidy Towns
Caring for our environment

Come and meet Tidy Tim in person
on Sunday at the Festival Family Day



Na Gaeil Óga CLG

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

Buachaillí F13 - Iomáint

An chead chluiche tar éis na laethanta saoire, bhí na BF13 in aghaidh Na Dubh Ghall i bPáirc Naomh Cáitríona.

Cluiche iontach a bhí ann ach sa deireadh, bhí an bua ag Na Gaeil Óga, 11-4 go 3-4.

Rinne na buachaillí ceiliúradh le taoschnónna.



Buachaillí F9 - Peil

Nach iontach é na buachaillí F9 a fheiceáil ar ais i mbun aicsin faoi sholas na gréine i bPáirc Naomh Chaitríona ar maidin. In aghaidh foireann chrua Naomh Pádraig bhrú siad ar aghaidh go crua go dtí an fheadóg deiridh. Bhí obair foirne iontach agus pas láimhe iontach ann. Obair chosanta iontach agus sábháil iontach. Maith sibh a bhuachaillí



Buachaillí F10 - Peil

Bhí na leaids F10 ar ais ar an páirc inniú le cluiche peil in aghaidh Naomh Caoimhín-Chillian. D'oibrigh na leaids le chéile mar

foireann agus chuir siad a chuid scileanna agus spiorad in iúil duinn go léir!

Maith sibh.



Le Chéile

Óg agus Aosta ár gClub le chéile ar maidin



LUCAN BRIDGE CLUB



**Lucan Bridge Club
has reopened!**

**Wednesdays
In Springfield Hotel.**

7.30 start!

And continuing for the Winter Season

*We are a friendly and welcoming Club,
and would be delighted to welcome new
members*

POLITICAL NOTES

Due to pressure of space, each representative is limited to 150 words in their report (including name and contact details).

Please keep reports **relevant to Lucan**
Wednesday 10pm is the weekly deadline.

Cllr Shane Moynihan - Fianna Fáil

(Palmerstown-Fonthill) Ph: 087 7840898

Email: smoynihan@cllrs.sdublincoco.ie

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General election: I am honoured to have been selected as the Fianna Fáil general election candidate for Dublin Mid-West. My team and I are out and about meeting residents and discussing the issues that are important to you and your families.

Bus service: Once again, I have called on the NTA and Dublin Bus to respond to the need for more buses on the C1 and C2 routes. We need more buses on our routes at peak times and on Saturdays and routes that start at later start points. I will continue to follow up on this.

Lucan Festival: Congratulations to the Lucan Festival Committee on delivering a wonderful programme of events for this year's Festival. We are lucky to have such dedicated volunteers in our community.

Lucan Harriers 5 Mile Race: Well done to Lucan Harriers on delivering another phenomenal Road Race this year.

Minister Emer Higgins TD – Fine Gael

Constituency Office: 01 401 3416

Insta: @emerhigginstd Emer.higgins@oireachtas.ie

Facebook: www.facebook.com/EmerHigginsTD

Public Transport Update: I am pleased that additional trips are planned for the C1 and C2 bus routes in the coming weeks. I will continue to work closely with the National Transport Authority (NTA) to secure the necessary funding for additional buses and drivers to make this happen as soon as possible.

As always, if there are any developments, I will keep you updated. Additionally, if you have any queries or concerns that you'd like to raise, please don't hesitate to contact me on 01 401 3416 or emer.higgins@oireachtas.ie.

Cllr. Caroline Brady - Fine Gael

085 2551602. CBrady@Cllrs.SDublinCoCo.ie

Doddsboro Cottages – Water leak reported and repaired promptly this week, thank you to Irish Water for their service.

Woodview Heights – Path damaged many years ago by a utility company was reported, inspected, and work has commenced to put right.

Proposed Road Safety works at Doddsboro / Kew Park Merge to N4 – working with my colleague Minister Emer Higgins we raised your road safety concerns at these busy junctions. Consultation on proposed works opened Fri 5th September. To view the proposed works and to make a submission visit <https://consult.sdublincoco.ie>

Cllr Paul Gogarty P.C. - Independent

Tel: 087-2752489. E-mail: info@paulgogarty.com

Bus Connects survey final results notice: The survey was completed in detail by over 2,200 people. Thanks everyone! The full results will be up on my website by Thursday 12th September, possibly earlier. Key findings will be sent on to the NTA, the Department of Transport, the Oireachtas Transport Committee, SDCC etc. Log on to www.bit.ly/busresult

Peace Commissioner: If you need any statutory declarations or forms that a Peace Commissioner can sign. Feel free to get in touch and we can arrange.

Pitch allocations: Am seeking additional pitches after again querying the number of spaces allocated to clubs in South Dublin area. A majority of Councillors voted against my motions for extra pitches in Clonburris SDZ, so we're playing catch up.

Lucan Festival: Well done to all the volunteers involved in creating this fantastic event.



Older people need your support!

ALONE is recruiting volunteers to provide companionship and support through their Telephone Support & Befriending service for older people. ALONE asks that interested volunteers commit to one set shift of 2 hours per week for a minimum of 6 months.

Visit alone.ie/volunteers for more information.



Women's
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Autumn 2024 Classes & Events

WCI Lucan is excited to announce our line-up of courses and events for autumn 2024! We offer a variety of classes designed to empower and support women in our community. Whether you are interested in creative arts, wellness, or social engagement, there is something for everyone.

Upcoming Classes Include:

Painting & Art Classes: Unleash your creativity every Tuesday morning starting 1st October at Ballyowen Community Centre. (€15 for materials)

Holistic Woman: An 8-week program starting 1st October focused on self-discovery and achieving personal goals. (Ballyowen Community Centre)

Mixed Arts & Crafts: Explore your creative side with this class at Adamstown Community Centre, starting 1st October. (€15 for materials)

Yoga (Intermediate & Beginners): Find balance and serenity with our 7-week Yoga courses starting 2nd October at Ballyowen Community Centre. (€30 per term)

Crafty Byrds: Join us for ceramics, tea, and chats every Thursday starting 3rd October at Ballyowen Community Centre. (€15 for materials)

Lucan Health Fair: WCI Lucan is teaming up with Ballyowen Community Centre for the 2nd Lucan Health Fair 12th September 10.00am-2.30pm

Registration Morning: Mark your calendars! Join us for our Registration Morning on **Monday, 9th September 2024** from **10:00 am - 1:00 pm** at Ballyowen Community Centre. This is your chance to sign up for our exciting courses, meet the team, and find out more about what we do. For more information, visit our website at www.womenscollective.ie or contact us at **083 860 7947** / lucan@womenscollective.ie

Bayside Alpha

are hosting on Zoom Bishop Barron's 6 week film series 'Conversion - Following the Call of Christ', starting on Sunday the 15th of September from 7:30pm to 8:30pm.

Bishop Barron illuminates six biblical stories of conversion, demonstrating how six ordinary people were met by Jesus where they were and called to a better life through Him.

To join this free course email Paul at alphabayside@gmail.com

Celbridge Mill Community Centre

The Mill, Main Street Celbridge

www.celbridgemillcommunitycentre.ie

E: celbridgemillcommunitycentre@gmail.com

Phone 01 6288556

Christmas Fair at The Mill – Sunday 24th

November: Crafts and Festive decorations required and outdoor food vendors (€40.) Stands €40. Supported by KCC / LPT.

Contact the centre for details

Adults Casual Table Tennis – Fridays 7pm

Pickle Ball – The new Indoor Racquet sport.

A hybrid sport that encompasses badminton, table- tennis, and tennis. Why not come down and try it out? Please contact reception.

Mondays / Thursdays / Fridays 10am

Mother and Baby morning meetings Thursdays at 10.30am – Contact 0852280692

Indoor Short Mat Bowls

 Thursdays at 7pm –

Contact Des at 087 2769953

Come and join us at The Haven Celbridge

Kate Walsh House at The Mill

Tuesdays / Thursdays. New members welcome Home cooked meals, snacks. Bingo, quizzes, sing-songs, dancing, day trips.

Adult Education

The Adult Education Service in Lucan Education Centre, on Esker Hill are currently enrolling for free and flexible part-time courses commencing in September 2024. These Back to Education Initiative (BTEI) courses are at times to allow you to choose between one and four different subjects to fit around your busy life. Each subject is 4 hours, 1 morning per week. This can lead to QQI qualification.

The following subjects are available this term:

Spanish for Beginners

Introduction to Microsoft Word

Introduction to Microsoft Excel (Spreadsheets)

Intercultural Awareness

Business English

Improving English and Communication Skills

Digital Media

Reception & Frontline Office Skills

Advanced Spreadsheets (Microsoft Excel)

Payroll

For more details, contact

lorrainekavanagh@ddletbaes.ie

Or call (01) 6283557.



St. Mary's Camera Soirée

The Camera Soiree resumed its Friday morning sessions this weekend and are beginning preparations for their exhibition scheduled for a weekend in November.

This week we have a photograph of a rose, maybe the “last rose of summer” from Kay. The poem of the same name is by Thomas Moore and was set to a traditional tune called "Aisling an Óigfhear" which had been transcribed by the Belfast folk collector Edward Bunting in 1792. The tune has been used by many composers including Beethoven, Mendelssohn and Flotow in his opera “Martha”.



Michael G was away for a few days in Waterford and submitted a photo of the golf course at Faithlegg. (He wasn't playing!).

On the way back he stopped off in Bunclody and submitted a photo of the stream that runs down the middle of the main street. According to Wikipedia this stream is actually a small



canal constructed in the 19th century to draw water from the Clody River to provide drinking water for the town. In the 17th century the name of the town was changed to Newtownbarry but was officially changed back in 1950. Most of the town is in county Wexford but a small part at the north end of the town is in county Carlow!



Joe was in Belfast and submitted a photo of the iconic building “Titanic Belfast”. It opened 14th years ago. Finally, Conor submitted some more beautiful images of flying insects.

Stay safe until next week!

