

St. Joseph's Rathmullan & St. Catherine's Oughterlin

# Parish Newsletter



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DATE	TIME	CHURCH	INTENTIONS
Saturday 4 <sup>th</sup> March	7.00pm	St. Joseph's	Edward Brogan (Months Mind)
Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup> March	9.00am	St. Joseph's	1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent
	11.00am	St. Catherine's	John Loughrey (Anniversary)
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> March	10.00am	St. Catherine's	
	7.00pm	St. Joseph's	
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> March	10.00am		
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> March	10.00am	St. Joseph's	
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> March	7.00pm	St. Joseph's	Denis Lynch (Anniversary)
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> March	10.00am	St. Catherine's	
	7.00pm	St. Joseph's	Michael Brogan (Anniversary)
Saturday 11 <sup>th</sup> March	7.00pm	St. Joseph's	Jim McLaughlin (Months Mind)
Sunday 12 <sup>th</sup> March	9.00am	St. Joseph's	
	11.00am	St. Catherine's	

## **NOTICES:**

The weekly collection amounted to €1,736. Thank you for your generosity.

Thank you for attending and participating at the **Rathmullan – The Way Forward 2017-2020** meeting on February 6<sup>th</sup>. We'd like to invite you to join us at the next meeting to be held at the SVP Centre on **MONDAY MARCH 6<sup>th</sup>** at the earlier time of **7.30pm**. We have consolidated the ideas and suggestions from the last meeting and we will now focus on developing a number of these activities further. Joan Crawford from the Wild Atlantic Way and Ciaran Martin of Donegal county Council will both attend. We look forward to seeing you there.

**Family Friendly “Stroll on Sunday”-SOS – Fundraising 5K** will take place **Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> March, 2017**. Registration from 2.45pm. Walk at 3pm at The White Harte Bar, Rathmullan, Arnolds Hotel, Dunfanaghy, The Stores, Portsalon or 1.45pm at the Harbour Bar, Downings for a 2pm walk. Donations on the day. All proceeds in aid of the RNLI. Tea and refreshments afterwards.

**Rathmullan & District Local History Society** are having an Open Meeting on **Tuesday 7th March at RDRC at 8pm** to which anybody with an interest in local history is invited.

The purpose of this Open Meeting is to review activities over the twenty years of the Society's existence and to consider future plans. There are important developments underway regarding the conservation of the Abbey. Our Society is supporting Donegal County Council in applying for funding to carry out essential and urgent conservation work. Fergal Doherty, DCC Engineer, will be in attendance at this meeting to explain what has already been done and what is proposed for the Abbey.

Another project which the Society is considering is the erection of Town land name-stones.

These are just two of the important and enjoyable but somewhat daunting projects we are pursuing and anybody who would be interested in helping, please come along.

**OUR SMALL SOCIETY REALLY DOES NEED MORE MEMBERS.**

There will be a local animal welfare fundraiser held in Glenvar school on Saint Patrick's Day from 12 noon onwards. Please call in and enjoy a cup of tea while browsing through the bric a brac stalls. A raffle will take place. All proceeds to local animal welfare.

#### **THE RACE - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

The Race - Ireland's ultimate endurance race will take place on Saturday March 11 and they need your help. Volunteers are needed around the Fanad and Carrigart/Downings areas to ensure that the 250KM run, kayak and cycle across Donegal runs smoothly.

Contact Mickey Griffin by phone or text on 087 2325567 or email [mickgriffin@eircom.net](mailto:mickgriffin@eircom.net)

#### **OTWAY GOLF CLUB CRAZY BINGO AT SVP CENTRE ON MARCH 12**

Crazy Bingo session at SVP Centre on Sunday March 12 at 3pm. Books only 10 euro each or two for 14 euro. Prizes galore and tea will be served.

#### **TABLE QUIZ AT BEACHCOMBER DATE CHANGE – NOW APRIL 21st**

The date of the table quiz in aid of Small Animal Welfare has been changed to Friday April 21 at 9.30pm with quiz master Cormac Fegan.

Teams of 2-4 people at 5 euro per adult. Great raffle and spot prizes throughout the night.

Get swotting.

#### **RATHMULLAN CELTIC KIDS SOCCER COACHING FOR OUR NATIONAL SCHOOL GIRLS & BOYS EVERY WEDNESDAY**

Rathmullan Celtic kids' soccer coaching sessions are now on every Wednesday from 5.45pm to 6.45pm.

Just make sure the kids bring plenty of warm clothes, and a drink.

Any questions call Mark Curran on 086 873 2749

**RATHMULLAN'S BABY BOOM – WE'VE NOT HEARD FROM YOU ALL YET** We've heard from some new mums who've sent us their babies' names and DOB, but we know there are lots of others that have still to contact us. If your baby was born since Jan 1, 2016, please PM on Facebook, send us an email or call us at the RDRC on 9158724 with your baby's name and DOB please, so we can arrange a welcome ceremony for all Rathmullan's tiny tots – you don't want to miss out on the celebration.

**BABY & TODDLER GROUP (Bring an adult with you too) – THURSDAY'S 10.30AM – 12.30PM IN RDRC**  
With so many new babies being born in Rathmullan last year and since 2017 started, we're looking forward to meeting them all at our weekly Baby & Toddler Group which plays every Thursday at the RDRC from 10.30 a.m. – 12.30 p.m. Everyone is welcome to join in the fun.

Cost is €3.00 per family. Come along for a play and some fun, a healthy snack, and a cuppa for the adults  
Looking for lots of cute babies and active toddlers (and cute and active adults too) to join in the fun

**TINY TUNES MONTHLY FAMILY SESSION – MONTHLY AT THE RDRC AT 11AM**

Tiny Tunes is great fun, music and movement for little movers and shakers of 3 months – 5 years.

Here are the dates for the next classes Thursday March 9, Thursday April 6

Classes start at 11am. For more details and bookings, please contact Jessica on 086 8249220 or email [info@tinytunes.ie](mailto:info@tinytunes.ie) Visit online at [www.tinytunes.ie](http://www.tinytunes.ie)

### **Caolan Melaugh Tea Party Fundraiser**

#### **A Massive Thank you to Rathmullan**

The Charity Tea Party for little Caolan Melaugh on Sunday (26/2/17) raised a massive €1250.

Thank you to everyone who came and supported. We are truly overwhelmed with the response. This money will help provide much needed treatment for Caolan in his fight back to Full health. A huge thank you to all involved which include SVP centre and its fantastic staff. The RDRC centre and its past and present staff. All who sponsored Raffle prizes, donated food items, displayed posters and posted and shared on social media. Those who attended and those who could'nt come in but left donations (THANK YOU) And finally on behave of the Melaugh's and their extended family - THANK YOU!