

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

Parish Newsletter



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DATE	TIME	CHURCH	INTENTIONS
Saturday 3 rd June	7.00pm	St. Joseph's	
Sunday 4 th June	9.00am 11.00am	St. Joseph's St. Catherine's	PENTECOST SUNDAY
Monday 5 th June	10.00am	St. Joseph's	Paul McLaughlin (Anniversary)
Tuesday 6 th June	10.00am	St. Joseph's	Tommy Carney (Anniversary)
Thursday 8 th June	10.00am	St. Joseph's	
			Feast of St. Colmcille
Friday 9 th June	7.00pm	St. Joseph's	Bernadette & Stephen Hardy (Anniversary)
Saturday 10 th June	7.00pm	St. Joseph's	John Sheridan (Anniversary)
Sunday 11 th June	9.00am 11.00am	St. Joseph's St. Catherine's	TRINITY SUNDAY James Coll (Anniversary)

NOTICES

The Weekly collection amounted to €1,772. Thank you for your generosity.

A Blessing of young children who were baptized during the year will take place on Saturday 10th June at evening mass at 7.00pm.

A big thank you for the donation of €700 for the restoration work of the stained glass windows.

Rathmullan Enterprise Group would like to encourage everyone to take part in the weekly Mini Lotto Draw. It's only €1 per week and this money is used for fuel and to keep the lawnmowers and trimmers in working order so that the community employment workers can continue to maintain the green areas around the town. There is a weekly prize of €50 and the jackpot at present is €360. The draw takes place every Tuesday night and envelopes are available at the Post Office or the White Hart. Thank you to all who have been contributing every week.

RAY COMMUNITY GROUP – 086 4519656/9158361/info@raycommunitygroup

Annual Street Feast: National Street Feast will be on this year on Sunday 11th June at 2pm. This is our community get together for all families to come together for an afternoon of lunch and fun. Call the centre on 086 4519656 to book your table and everyone bring their own food and some to share.

Pride of Place Awards Judging: We are delighted to be shortlisted for Pride of Place award and we are having the judges visit our centre on Friday 7th July in the morning and we would like all community members and anyone who avails of our facilities at Ray Community Centre to come along and meet the judges and have a cuppa and homemade scones.

National Bike Week: On Sunday 18th June at 2pm Ray will host a family day during bike week. Everyone young and old get on your bike and meet at the centre. A short cycle will be organized for children and a longer cycle for the pro cyclists. Then afterwards a BBQ will be at the pitch for all that takes part to enjoy.

Ray Outdoor School of Learning: An open evening will take place on Friday 2nd June from 5.30pm-7.30pm. Fun and games with refreshments. All welcome to come and have a look at what we do. An enjoyable evening for all the family. Call 086 4107974 for more details or visit [www. Earlylearningschools.ie](http://www.earlylearningschools.ie)

Ray Walking Group: Meet Monday & Friday mornings at 10am in different locations. All enquiries to Brid Barr on 086 8117456. Saturday morning walk has recommenced and meets at Ray community centre at 10am. All enquiries contact Mary Barrett 9151440

Irish Dancing with Sara Lennon: Saturday mornings advanced class 10am. Beginners class 11am. New children welcome to join weekly. Check out the noticeboard in room for secong hand pumps./skirts and t-shirts available.

ALIVE IN THE VILLAGE Weekend UPDATE!

Rathmullan certainly came alive at the weekend with the first new festival created by the Way Forward Group. Alive in the Village was organised to create a weekend of events and music to coincide with the annual Lough Swilly Sea Angling Festival, and the whole village pulled together and turned to enjoy all that was on offer in Rathmullan over the Bank Holiday. The Swilly was the focus of many events over the weekend from the fishing festival and fishing competition, to the White Harte Dingy Race.

BLESSING OF THE BOATS

Proceedings kicked off on Friday evening, when over 200 people attended the Blessing of the Boats ceremony on the pier. The Lough Swilly ferry and Life Boat were there as Fr Martin and Reverend Amanda Best performed the blessing, followed by the Colmcille Gospel Choir and refreshments.

LOUGH SWILLY SEA ANGLING FESTIVAL

Six boats took to the Swilly in this annual event held over Saturday and Sunday. Big thanks to John & Rita

Gallaher who cooked the fresh fish caught, on the BBQ outside the White Harte, and delivered a delicious feast from the sea, which raised 40 euros for Rathmullan's Tidy Towns campaign.

KIDS FOOTBALL BLITZ & FACE PAINTING

Thanks to Mark Curran who arranged the Football Blitz for more than 30 kids at the Flagpole Field, who then headed in to the RDRC to have their faces painted.

RAMELTON COUNTRY MARKET

Visited the RDRC on Saturday and Sunday with delicious produce including home baking, jams, savoury treats, accessories and garden plants.

HISTORICAL WALK AROUND RATHMULLAN

Deirdre Friel led a group around the village on the inaugural Walking Tour from the newly published guide from the Way Forward's Outdoors Group.

FISHING COMPETITION

Lots of kids entered the fishing competition on Sunday. Thanks to Bernie Morrison for making it such a great event and arranging the prize giving.

PUTTING COMPETITION

All of Rathmullan's Ryder Cup hopefuls gathered on the putting green to 'putt' their skills to the test. Thanks to Thomas Merritt and Alan Todd for arranging this fun event.

MUSIC IN ALL THE PUBS

Big Paddy's, The Beachcomber, The White Harte, An Bonan Bui and An Stad played host to a great variety of musicians and bands who played to 'packed houses' over the weekend.

Upcoming Activities, Events and News for Rathmullan

FREE RATHMULLAN WALKING TOUR GUIDES NOW AVAILABLE AT LOCAL BUSINESSES

A colourful guide outlining a walk which explores Rathmullan's history surrounded by stunning scenery. It also details our rich history of the Abbey and The Flight of the Earls, as well as giving details of sea angling, sailing, golf and guided walking tours.

RATHMULLAN FOROIGE YOUTH CLUB

Rathmullan Youth Club will start in September. The club will have two groups – 10 – 12 years, and 13 – 18 years, and will meet on Friday evenings in the RDRC.

All registration forms for kids plus adult volunteer forms/vetting forms, to be returned to the RDRC by Tue June 5.

If your kids want to join, or you can help us run the club by volunteering on a rota basis, just give the RDRC a call on 9158724 or email on rdrc10@gmail.com.

CLASSES

MINDFUL YOGA & MEDITATION – 10.00am – 11.30am at the RDRC. For more information, please contact **Madeline Callaghan on 086 8121043.**

We welcome new faces so please come along.

RATHMULLAN WALKING GROUP – EVERY WEDNESDAY AT 12.30PM

Rathmullan Walking Group meets at the RDRC every Wednesday at 12:30pm. This is part of the Get Ireland Walking initiative. The walking group is facilitated by Maria McGill. Maria provides tips and

advice to the group which is aimed at walkers of all ages, abilities and fitness levels. It's great fun, very sociable, and there's a welcome cuppa at the end.

RATHMULLAN CELTIC KIDS SOCCER COACHING – EVERY WEDNESDAY 5.45PM – 6.45PM

Rathmullan Celtic kids' soccer coaching sessions are now on every Wednesday from 5.45pm to 6.45pm at the Flagpole Field. Make sure the kids bring plenty of warm clothes, and a drink.

Any questions call **Mark Curran** on **086 873 2749**

BABY & TODDLER GROUP – 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 – parents, grandparents, child minders.

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

RATHMULLAN SAILING & WATERSPORTS SCHOOL is now taking bookings for Summer Courses 2017. Visit **www.rathmullansailing.com** for more details.

TO BOOK: Please email **rathmullanwatersports@gmail.com** or phone **086 812 3019/074 91 58724**

RATHMULLAN BEACH WHEELCHAIR

The beach wheelchair is free and available for anyone to avail of. Phone **086 812 3019** to get access to the chair.

WE NEED YOUR HELP

FOROIGE –YOUTH MENTORING PROGRAMME - MONDAYS FROM 6-7pm AT RDRC

The Big Brother Big Sister Youth Mentoring Programme is seeking male and female adult volunteers who can make a real difference by sharing 1 – 2 hours a week with a young person. For more information contact us here at the RDRC or **Catriona** on **086 8213756** or **086**

0484459. Email: **bbbs.info@foroige.ie** **www.foroige.ie/bbbs**

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