

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

Parish Newsletter



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<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>CHURCH</u>	<u>INTENTIONS</u>
Saturday 11 th November	7.00pm	St. Joseph's	
Sunday 12 th November	9.00am	St. Joseph's	Fr. Patrick Muldoon (Anniversary)
	11.00am	St. Catherine's	Dan Joe Gallagher (Anniversary)
Monday 13 th November	10.00am	St. Joseph's	Jack Hartley (Anniversary)
Tuesday 14 th November	10.00am	St. Joseph's	
Thursday 16 th November	10.00am	St. Joseph's	
Friday 17 th November	7.00pm	St. Joseph's	Grace Deeney (Anniversary)
Saturday 18 th November	7.00pm	St. Joseph's	Susan Gallagher (Anniversary)
Sunday 19 th November	9.00am	St. Joseph's	Paddy Morrison (Anniversary)
	11.00am	St. Catherine's	James Boyle (Anniversary)

The weekly collection amounted to €1,800. Thank you for your generosity.

There will be a meeting in St. Joseph's Church on Tuesday 14th November at 7.30pm for all who would like to participate in our Christmas Nativity Play. All are welcome.

On Sunday 26th November, the Feast of Christ the King, at 2.30pm the **"Rosary on the Coast Group"** will pray the rosary for the Preservation of Faith and the protection of life in Ireland. The aim is to encircle Ireland with a human Rosary by having 53 locations around the coast – one for each Hail Mary in the Rosary.

Cards are held every Wednesday night at 7pm in Otway Golf Club.
Winners 8th November: Hannah Birney and Paddy Lynch.

Winners of cards in Beachcomber in aid of Christmas Lights:
Monday 6th November: James Kelly and Mrs. K. McCormack
Sponsor: Kevin Friel
Thank you for your support in both places.

Upcoming Activities, Events and News for Rathmullan

The Way Forward Update

On Monday 6th November, the Rathmullan Harbour Area Development Group (RHAD) had the pleasure of welcoming Joe McHugh TD, Government Chief Whip and Minister of State at the Department of Culture with responsibility for Gaeilge, Gaeltacht and the Islands, to a tour of the Harbour area. The RHAD is part of Rathmullan – The Way Forward and is focused on developing both the Commercial and Marine Tourism aspects of the pier and harbour area.

The tour included a visit to the Pier Head which was busy with crab and herring boats, in addition to Marine Harvest's on-going operations. The Minister was also able to visit Marine Harvest's brand new work boat "Croi na Farrage" berthed at the pontoon. When fully commissioned, the boat will be based in the Swilly under the command of David McGloin.

The Group was able to stress the Strategic and Commercial importance of Rathmullan Pier as a 24 hour accessible deep water harbour able to handle large commercial vessels. The Group is following up on this commercial aspect, given the uncertainties surrounding Brexit and the uniqueness of the facilities at Rathmullan. It is anticipated that Donegal County Council will continue their planned programme of maintenance of the viaduct structure to avoid any further deterioration in weight limits.

The issue of a local Harbour Master was raised, and while the appointment of a Harbour Master responsible for 5 ports, including Rathmullan, was noted and appreciated as a step forward, it was emphasised to the Minister that a dedicated Harbour Master would be required to realise the full potential of the port.

Despite the blustery conditions, there was a large turn out of local people who are interested in the pier development and marine activities. Progress on the public toilets was noted, and a commitment was acknowledged from Donegal County Council to provide the adjacent area for the Sailing School Compound on completion of the construction phase, sufficiently large for purpose.

The tour included a walk around the ramparts of the Old Battery with discussion about the potential for developing this site following the successful hosting of recent events. The Group was able to demonstrate that the construction of a walkway from the side of the Putting Green to the Battery would open up the site, with spectacular views up and down the Swilly, and was encouraged to work with rural development Groups for detailed planning and funding.

This was a great opportunity to showcase the latent potential of Rathmullan Harbour for both Commercial and Marine Leisure activities, and the visit by the Minister was greatly appreciated.

If you are interested joining the RHAD Group or require more information on the facilities and opportunities then please contact John Gallagher on 086 440 5740.

Our thanks goes to Patricia at the White Harte for the welcomed tea and refreshments and respite from the wind!

Coming Soon

Beginners Irish Classes

Beginners Irish classes will commence in Rathmullan & District Resource Centre on Wednesday 15th November from 7pm – 9pm. This course will run for 5 weeks initially, the last class being Wednesday 13th Dec, with potential to continue after Christmas, provided there is numbers and continuous interest. *This course will be funded by the ETB – Learning for Living Programme.* However we will ask for a €10 fee per person for the 5 weeks to cover tea / coffee & heat. If anyone is interested in attending please get in touch at rdr10@gmail.com or phone 074 9158724.

WISE – Women’s Integration, Skills & Employment

Information Day in Rathmullan & District Resource Centre on Monday 20th November at 11AM

There are limited spaces for the information session, so please get in touch with RDRC on rdr10@gmail.com or phone 074 9158724 if you wish to attend.

WISE is a FREE project open to women of all ages, who are currently not working or who are in receipt of a Dept. of Social Protection payment that is not classified as a jobseekers payment. WISE aims to increase your future employment prospects. The WISE Project provides... a dedicated personal employment advisor, advice with CV/Interview preparation/job applications, career planning, training & development opportunities, confidence & motivational building, access to employment opportunities, positive personal marketing, support in your new job for the first 6 months, self-employment support & guidance.

Table quiz in aid of Rathmullan Sailing Club

Get your thinking caps on! There will be a table quiz in The Beachcomber Bar on Friday 24th November 2017 at 9:30pm. There will be a great raffle and plenty of challenging questions, some with a nautical theme. Entry fee is €5 per person. All proceeds in aid of the Rathmullan Sailing Club.

Weekly Activities

MONDAY

Slim R Us with Karen McGlinchy – Monday’s at RDRC @ 6pm

Weekly Slim R Us at the RDRC. Classes will run every Monday at 6pm until December 18. Cost is €6.50 per week and this includes weight record card and meal plan. So if you want to lose a bit of weight for your party dress, this is your perfect opportunity.

TUESDAY

Crochet & Crafts – Tuesday’s at 11am

Crochet & Crafts classes run on Tuesday’s from 11am – 1pm. This is a great opportunity to learn a new skill and to meet new faces. For more information or to put your name down, please contact RDRC on rdr10@gmail.com or phone 074 9158724. *This course is part-funded by the Donegal Education and Training Board Community Education Programme.*

WEDNESDAY

Rathmullan Social Walking Group – Wednesday @ 10am

Meet outside RDRC every Wednesday morning at 10am and walk at your own pace for about an hour. Routes are varied. All ages and abilities are very welcome. Lots of Flora and Fauna with fresh air and scenery to enjoy and it’s on our own doorstep and it’s free.

Rinka for kids – Wednesday’s at RDRC – 4:15pm Bounce for 6-10 years (NEW), 5pm Bounce for 3-5 year olds, 5:45pm iBop Seniors for 6+

Rinka – creating healthy bodies, healthy minds and happy hearts. Rinka classes are all-inclusive and age appropriate, focus on making fitness fun for all. DramaFit and Bounce offer alternatives to mainstream sports, ensuring we are helping kids reach their physical activity requirements and not just those who love sport already. Offering children a place where they know they matter, they are capable and they can have fun. Aiming to foster a love of an active, creative lifestyle. Classes are filled on first come first served. Sept/Oct term is 8 weeks. All classes are 45 minutes long. Multiclass/sibling discount rates available. Class sizes are limited. For more information and to book contact Teresa on 086 0848312, email teresa.donohoe.rinka@gmail.com See details on Facebook - @rinkamilford

Rathmullan Celtic Kids Football Academy – Wednesday at 5:45pm at Flag Pole Field, Rathmullan

Rathmullan Kids Academy started back Wednesday 20th September. It runs every Wednesday from 5:45pm. All kids are welcome!

THURSDAY

Rathmullan Playgroup – Thursdays from 10:30am

We meet every Thursday from 10:30am – 12:30pm in Rathmullan & District Resource Centre. Everyone is welcome to come along. The kids have a play and a healthy snack, while the adults chill out with a cuppa! Cost is **€3.00 per family**. New members are always welcome!

Pilates – Thursday's 6:30pm-7:30pm & 7:30pm-8:30pm

Pilates Classes run every Thursday evening at Rathmullan & District Resource Centre. The first class starts at 6.30pm and the later class at 7.30pm. New members welcome. Drop us an email if you wish to join: rdrc10@gmail.com or just turn up on the day.

FRIDAY

Rathmullan Foroige Youth Club @ RDRC – Friday's 6.30pm – 8pm

We are pleased to say that the Rathmullan youth club is now established. We hope it will go from strength to strength. We are still looking for volunteers to help out! The club runs from 6.30pm on Fridays until 8pm and is for age groups 10-18. The cost is €20 per young person per annum to cover insurance, and €2 per week for incidentals such as refreshments. PLEASE NOTE THAT THE YOUTH CLUB WILL NOT BE RUNNING ON FRIDAY 27TH OCTOBER. We hope to see you all back the following week!

Yoga

Due to unforeseen circumstances Yoga classes have been postponed for a time, we will let you know the new date when available.

General Info

Rathmullan Christmas Lights

Cards are being held in the Beachcomber bar every Monday night at 8pm in aid of Christmas Lights. First night turkeys were won by: James Canning and another sponsored by John T Sheridan. Second night turkeys won by: Sophia Kelly and John T. Sheridan. Sponsored by Eunan Gormley Butcher, Ramelton. Thank you for all your support!

Rathmullan Celtic FC Coupons

Rathmullan Football Coupons are back up and running again.: €200 for Jackpot for 14 or more correct or €40 for most correct forecasts. Cost is €1 per coupon entry. For a copy of coupons and more information please contact Alan on 085 750 1579 or email endamcelhinney@gmail.com for a copy.

Rathmullan Celtic FC Membership – “Our Town – Your Club”

Rathmullan Celtic FC are offering Club Membership for the first time this season. Show your support for the club by joining up for just €10. Contact Garry McMahon or any club member to sign up. For more information email: RathmullanCelticFC@outlook.com

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.

Rathmullan Tennis Court

Bookings to play on the Tennis Court can now be taken. Please contact Rathmullan and District Resource Centre on rdrc10@gmail.com, phone 074 9158724 or send us a Facebook message. €6.00 per hour or annual subscription €50.00 per person. Family/Couple subscription €75.00 per annum.