

CHURCH NEWS: Ministers of the Eucharist for December: Sunday Mornings: Sheila Finnegan and Pdraig Walshe. Saturday Evenings: Mai Bowe and Pius Hennessy.

Readers: Saturday Evenings: November 28th and December 5th: Seosamh Murphy; December 12th and 19th: Noreen Joyce. **Sunday Mornings:** November 29th and December 6th: Kevin Kelly; December 13th and 20th: Michael Conroy.

Church Cleaning Rota - December: Mary Kennedy, Mary Walsh, Gabriel Daz, Miriam and Pat Connolly.

CHURCH GATE COLLECTION: The Annual Church Gate Collection in aid of Epilepsy Ireland will take place on the weekend of December 12th and 13th. Members of The Harps GAA will be present collecting donations outside the Church gates before Mass times and your support would be most appreciated.

ICA - CULLOHILL BRANCH: The next meeting of Cullohill ICA Club will be held on Tuesday, December 1st in Cullohill Community Centre.

BRIDGE CLUB: Durrow Bridge Club continues in the Presentation Centre every week on Wednesdays. The results for November 11th are as follows: First - Dolores and Francis Campion; Second - Marie Foley and Jack Murphy; Third - Ann Fitzpatrick and Dolly Harding. Well done to all!

CLOTHES COLLECTION POINT: Any old or unwanted clothes or fabric can be left in the porch of the Cullohill Community Centre. All collections are in aid of Cullohill Handball Club. Please support.

ARTHRITIS IRELAND LAOIS BRANCH: Thank you to all who attended our Local Branch Formal Launch on November 13th last. Our walking group is still meeting weekly at Portlaoise Pool & Leisure Centre each Wednesday evening at 6pm and we go for a coffee and a chat afterwards.

At a recent committee meeting, we decided to pause the walking group for the month of December as the weather conditions are not ideal and the darkness is also a hindrance. The last weekly walk of this year will be November 25th. Our group will still meet socially each Wednesday evening at 7pm for the cuppa and a chat commencing on Wednesday 2nd of December at O'Loughlins Hotel, Main St, Portlaoise. All welcome! We will be recommencing our walking group in the New Year. We are also planning some other activities for 2016 to include a six week course of "Gentle Zumba Classes" commencing on January 26th. Please watch out for updates about further activities and details of group meetings in local newspapers, our Facebook page or on the Arthritis Ireland Website. The Local Branch can be contacted by phone on (089) 2525344.

NEW YEARS DAY BALACOLLA WALK: This New Years Day will see the popular Ballacolla walk and Vintage Run renamed the Richard Moynan Memorial Walk and Vintage Run. Richard who passed away on April 8th 2013 was hugely popular in the area and was known throughout the Country within the vintage fraternity. The New Years Day Vintage Run will take a 15km route starting in Ballacolla village at 2.00pm and continue by Grantstown, Coolacurragh, Cannonswood, Woodenbridge and return to the finish by Lalor's Farm Ballygague. The annual walk will also start at 2.00pm and follow it's usual 6.5km route. The event will support the Ballacolla Senior Citizens Fund. Your support would be most appreciated.

DEFIBRILLATOR INFORMATION EVENING: An information night will be held in Durrow Library, Chapel Street on Thursday, 3rd December at 8pm to demonstrate how to use the new defibrillator. It is important to have as many people as possible confident in their ability to use it in a case of an emergency, so please attend this important demonstration.

DURROW COMMUNITY CENTRE: The Community Centre in Durrow is available for bookings to hold parties or any sports activities etc... Contact: Mary Walsh (086) 3055157.

DURROW PARISH LOTTO RESULTS: Monday 9th November 2015: There was no jackpot winner of €2,650. The numbers drawn were: 04, 15, 20 and 24. The mini-draw winners were as follows: €30: Michael Fitzpatrick, Seandoire, Durrow, Co. Laois; €25: John Hogan, Patrick St, Durrow, Co. Laois; €20: Kevin Kelly, c/o The Lions AFC. Well done to all the winners.

Durrow Parish Lotto Results

Monday 16th November 2015:

There was no jackpot winner of €2,800.

Numbers: 15 22 26 28

The small draw winners were:

€30: Tom Woods, Carrigan St, Durrow, Co. Laois.

€25: Vinny Cooney, Tinweir, Durrow, Co. Laois.

€20: Tom Woods, Carrigan St, Durrow, Co. Laois.

Monday 23rd November 2015:

There was no jackpot winner of €2,950.

Numbers: 02 03 25 28

The small draw winners were:

€30: Paul Cashin, New Line, Durrow, Co. Laois.

€25: Joe Costigan, Cullohill, County Laois.

€20: Marian Allen, c/o Our Lady's Meadow School.

Next Draw: 9.30pm on Monday, November 30th in O'Connells Bar, Cullohill Village. **Jackpot: €3,100.**

Important: Tickets must be handed in by 9.30pm SHARP on draw night.