

**R.I.P: James Seamus Cummins, Ballon**  
**R.I.P: Una Buggy Bailey, Ballymurphy, Tullow**

**The Most Holy Trinity**

Sat 11th Ballon 6.00pm	Lizzie Ann Nolan, Ballon Willie Nolan, The Fields.
Sun 12th Rathoe 10.00am	
Sun 12th Ballon 11.30am	
Tues 14th Ballon 7.30pm	<b>Note Change of time to 7.30pm</b> Patsy & Teresa Nolan, Laragh
Wed 15th Rathoe 10.00am	Kate, Pat & Willie Sheppard.
Thurs 16th Ballon 10.00am	
Fri 17th Rathoe 7.30pm	<b>Note Change of time to 7.30pm</b>
Sat 18th Ballon 6.00pm	Hannah Brennan, Killane
Sun 19th Rathoe 10.00am	Tom Nolan, Thornhill Mike, Teasie, Ger & Jo O'Toole, Ballynunnery
Sun 19th Ballon 11.30am	Dick Maher, Ballylean. M.M

**Annual Collection for the Priest of the Parish is taking place over these few weeks, envelopes in your box or spare ones in both Churches.**

**Graveyard Masses 2022.**

**Ballon Sunday 3rd July at 11.30am. Rathoe Sunday 10th July at 1pm.**

**05/06/2022 Offertory €703.70 Envelopes €512.80 (incl online donations).** Thanks to everyone for your continued generosity.

**Synod News:** The diocesan synthesis is now available on the Kandle website. Even if you didn't have a chance to take part, you are invited to take a look at what people in our diocese said in the listening that took place during Lent. There is much in it that we can reflect and act upon in our local parishes. In the meantime, the diocesan synthesis has now been sent to the Bishops' Conference where it will be used to prepare the national synod response for Rome. A national day is taking place next Saturday, June 18th, for delegates from across the country to work towards this national synthesis. Our diocesan delegates, Jean Roche, Fr Liam Morgan & Julie Kavanagh, will attend the day with Bishop Denis and they ask for your prayers for this work.

**Ballon Business & Training Service**—Tel: 059-915-9447  
[ballonbts@gmail.com](mailto:ballonbts@gmail.com). **Chair Yoga** - Fridays 10am

**Kids Saturday Morning club** - Saturday morning 17th June 10 am to 12 pm Suitable for 7 yrs to 10 yrs old. **Summer Camps:** Jewellery Starting Fri 17th June, 3.15pm -4.15pm Fairy Art/Craft workshop July 13th & 14th, Ages 4yrs up @ 10.30am to 12.30pm. **T-shirt Tie dye & Printing** July 13th & 14th. Ages 8yrs to 18yrs @ 2- 4 pm. **Ballon Summer Camp with Caroline Bergin Art** August 15th, 16th, 17th & 18th. Ages 4 yrs to 8yrs @ 10am to 12.30 pm. Ages 8yrs to 14 yrs @ 1.30pm to 4pm. Book direct online at <https://www.ballonbts.com/our-courses>. Call: 059-9159447 Email: [ballonbts@gmail.com](mailto:ballonbts@gmail.com)

**Ballon GFC Lotto.** No Winner. No's **06- 13 -26 - 28.** Match Three Winner: €100 each.: Brendan Hutton, Kylemore, Rathoe. **Next weeks Jackpot €1,600** Next Draw. Mon 13th June 2022 in Fr. Flood House at 9pm. Tickets €2. Play on line <https://bit.ly/3FuNdhZ>

**Graiguacullen MONSTER Bingo on Tuesday 14th JUNE St.Fiaccs Hall @ 8.30pm.** Jackpot on 45 numbers €1350 Double number €810 Lotto €1600. Great prizes, bring a friend

**Are you missing your walking stick?** If so you will find it in Ballon Business & Training Office, call in and collect it.

**Director of Safeguarding** in Diocese is Kathleen Sherry Ph:085 8021633. Email: [safeguarding@kandle.ie](mailto:safeguarding@kandle.ie). By mail: Bishops House, Old Dublin Road, Carlow. If you have any queries regarding safeguarding of children or of vulnerable adults please do not hesitate to contact me.

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Open Tues, Wed & Thurs 10am -1pm

Items for the newsletter must be in by 5 pm each Wed, they can be phoned in, emailed or put through the letter box.

Fr. Jim O'Connell 086 810 2675/ 059-910 7096

**Tullow Community School magazine can now be viewed online through the following link:** <https://bit.ly/tulowes>

**National Eucharistic Adoration Pilgrimage to Knock.** Calling all adorers of the Blessed Sacrament in Kildare and Leighlin, the National Eucharistic Adoration Pilgrimage to Knock takes place on Saturday 18th June (Corpus Christi weekend). Please contact Barbara on 086-163 7311 for more information or see [www.eucharisticadoration.ie](http://www.eucharisticadoration.ie) for more details

**Three Day pilgrimage to Lough Derg** on 1st July 2022 (from Friday to Sunday). Bus leaves from towns in Kildare, Naas, Monasterevin and other towns. Contact: Joe 087 381 5887.

**Carers Week 2022** starts on 13th June and this year, along with a huge range of online events, Family Carers Ireland will be hosting multiple in-person events for the Carlow Kilkenny area, such as drawing and painting, annual carers mass, information days, and a carers day out in Kilkenny. More details can be found on our local Facebook page "Family carers Carlow Kilkenny" or by calling our office on 056 7721424

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**From Trócaire:** Gratitude for you and the people of Ballon Rathoe Parish and the generosity and compassion you have shown in so kindly choosing to give €4,500.00 to the urgent work of Trócaire this Lent.

**Pollinator Fairy Garden on Ballon Hill;** Thanks to Kathleen, Sinead & Tadgh Abbey for building and maintaining this garden for the Summer. Thanks to Cllr. John Murphy for performing the opening and to Michael Martin for all the photographs. Special welcome was extended to the people from Ukraine who attended. Thanks to all who came along and supported it. Visitors welcome to view the garden.

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**The Son of Thunder (St. James)**

The poet T.S Elliot, who lived in Waterloo, was a person who, like St. James, shone a light onto who we are and who we have become as humans. Like St. James, Elliot believed that we are living buried lives and that we need thawing back into something worthy of the name 'human'. Here is Elliot's observation:

.....the strained time-ridden faces  
 Distracted from distraction by distraction.  
 Wind in and out of unwholesome lungs.  
 .....this twittering world.

St. James has a few nuggets of wisdom for us to consider  
 Be quick to listen but slow to speak.  
 Happy the one who stands firm when trials come.  
 Everything good is given to us from above  
 Wherever you find jealousy, you find disharmony  
 .You are no more than a mist that is here for a little while.  
 Nobody can tame the tongue. (Letter of St. James)



**"Now, that's what I call a woman..."**