



## WEST WICKLOW COMMUNITY EMPLOYMENT

### CURRENT OPPORTUNITIES

Environmental Worker - Knockananna  
Ref:#CES2361989

Hall Maintenance Worker/Caretaker - Rathdangan  
Ref:#CES-2351831

Sports Ground Worker - Baltinglass Golf Club  
Ref:#CES-2364834

Cleaning Operative/Caretaker- Kiltegan  
Ref:#CES-2364836

Gardener/Environmental Worker - Kiltegan Tidy Towns  
Ref:#CES-2351833

The successful candidate will receive One To One Career Support & Training in their chosen career area including CV writing/Interview skills and full support in their position. WWCE have excellent training & progression plans in place for all participants. Excellent opportunities in these positions for training & developing whilst on the CE scheme. To check your eligibility or to apply for any of these positions please attend the INTRO Office in Baltinglass (beside Borza) and provide the job reference number above.

For further information on any of the above positions please contact:

**Sondrine Byrne (087) 449 7731**

## CAN YOU HELP?

**Parish Redevelopment Group-** The conversation has begun and we offer a big thank you to the people who attended the meeting on Tuesday.

This is a fresh start and we welcome everyone to become involved. We need your support. Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, 21<sup>st</sup> January 2025.

### Sunday Celebrations of the Word and Communion

The Diocese of Kildare and Leighlin has published a text to be used in all Churches, in the diocese, which will include our three Churches, Rathvilly, Tynock and Talbotstown in the case of an unavoidable and unplanned absence of the intended priest for the celebration of Sunday Eucharist. Hopefully we do not find ourselves in that position, but it will be good to have a plan in place.

Training will be provided.

If you feel you would like to be a facilitator and guide the congregation in the event that we find ourselves in that position, please contact the parish office 059 9161114.



## FOR SALE

Indoor Bicycle  
Home trainer  
attachment.

Contact  
087-1609872  
for further details.

## WANTED

Childminder wanted in  
Rathdangan area  
starting from January.



From: 8.45am - 4.30pm,  
3 days a week.

Preference for minding in childminder's  
home.

Please contact 086 404 3663.

## POWER SWEEPS



Power sweeping from your  
fire place, stove or cooker.  
Professional  
chimney sweeps with the  
latest equipment.  
No mess No fuss  
Clean and efficient .

Stoves also repaired & fitted by a trained  
Hetas fitter, cowels and crow guards also  
fitted.

To book your sweep or get a quote  
contact:

**Dave:** 083 3927695 or **Will:** 083 1255548

# FOCUS KILTEGAN



8th December 2024



## Kiltegan Community Network announces €2.5 million Community Hub development with the support of Malone Foundation

The Kiltegan Community Network, with the support of the Malone Family Land Preservation Foundation, has announced plans for the development of a transformative community hub for the village of Kiltegan. The c.€2.5m development will facilitate the return of the beloved Hub Café, following its closure in 2020 during Covid-19 restrictions, on a new community-owned site and establish a purpose-built venue for a host of community amenities and events.

The Community is pleased to announce the purchase of a local site in the village and has engaged Eunan McLoughlin Architects to design a state-of-the-art facility that meets the diverse needs of the Kiltegan community.

The news was presented to the community at a public town hall meeting, by the members of the project steering committee. The meeting was well attended, reflective of the strong community spirit present in Kiltegan and the wider townlands.

The proposed development will be a bespoke design specific to the community's needs, hosting the Hub Café which will cater for community groups and supporting activities such as local fundraising events, mother and baby coffee mornings, social events and lunches for older people, children's activities, training events, and local business meetings and events.

The building will be a flexible and dynamic space aimed at supporting community needs into the future and will be designed to meet its mission as a community meeting space, as well as incorporating sustainable energy and green initiatives such as a community garden and biodiversity area, solar energy and storage, EV charging points and a living green roof.



**TYNOCK & TALBOTSTOWN**  
Fr. John McEvoy — 059 9161114

Sunday 8th December Talbotstown at 9.30am.

**Anniversaries for:**  
**Annie Timmins**

**Kitty, Rosie, Liam & Matt Farrell and  
deceased members of the Farrell Family.**  
**Larry Byrne and his parents Brigid and Lar.**  
Reader: Joe O'Brien.

Annual Collection for St. Vincent de Paul  
takes place on  
Sunday, 8th December in Talbotstown Church.  
Monday 9th December in Tynock at 9.40 am.  
Feast day the Immaculate Conception.

**Anniversary for:**

**Mary, Patrick & Pat McDermott, Feddan.**  
Sunday 15th December Tynock @ 9.30am.  
First Communion Mass  
Reader: Fiona Kane.

Saturday 21st December Talbotstown @ 6.00pm

**Anniversaries for:**

**Kathleen Keogh(12th) her husband John  
whose anniversary occurs around this time,**  
**Kathleen Boland.**

Reader: Mary Kelly, Feddan.  
Christmas Eve 24th December:

Vigil Mass in Tynock at 8.00 pm .

Reader: Lucilla Brophy.

Christmas Morning 25th December  
Talbotstown at 10.00 am.

Reader: Fiona Kane.

### Collection

Offertory €215.63 Envelopes €775.00

To book anniversaries for:  
Tynock or Talbotstown please call  
Mary — 086 2261264 Josie—059 64 73971

### SYMPATHY

Sincere sympathy to Fr. Pat Murphy and his fellow society priest and to the family, relatives and friends of Fr. Sean O'Dowd whose funeral mass was celebrated on Thursday followed by burial in the society cemetery.

Ar dheis De go raib a anam uasal.



## KILTEGAN GAA & CAMOGIE CLUB NEWS



### Kiltegan Camogie Club

Kiltegan Camogie Club held their AGM on Tuesday 26th November and elected the following for officers for 2025.

**President:** Mary Byrne, Chairperson: Killian Doyle, Vice Chairperson: Grainne O'Toole, Secretary: Fiona Doyle, Ass Secretary: Ollie Bermingham, Treasurer: Margret Goggin, Assistant treasurer: Trish Keogh, Registrar: Trish Keogh, PRO: John Timmins & Rosie Keogh, Child Welfare Officer: Siobhan Whelan, Assistant Officer: Heather Myres, Co Board Delegates: Killian Doyle, Fiona Hobson & Margret Goggins.

**Finance Committee:** Killian Doyle, Margret Goggins, Olive Bermingham, Catherine Donovan, Elisha Ryan, Paula Boland and Rosie Keogh.

**Coaching Committee:** Killian Doyle, Elisha Ryan, Fiona Hobson, Olive Bermingham, Lorcan Byrne.

**Committee Plus the officers:** Helena Byrne, Gillian Boland, Tanya Wynne, Robert Darby, Lorcan Byrne, Ciara Doyle and Sarah Jane Winders.

We wish them all the best for the coming year.

### Michael Dwyer's

Michael Dwyer's U19 Football team got their under nineteen County Football Championship off to a winning start when they travelled and beat St Patrick's Wicklow Town on Sunday morning on a score line of

Michael Dwyer's 0-15 St Patrick's 0-04.

They play Rathnew on Sunday morning at 11.00am in Stratford. Support appreciated.

### Kiltegan GAA Lotto Results

**07-26-28-30**

1 match 3 €200

**Laura Foley seller Madeline Foley**

Next week's draw takes place on Monday 9th in the Talk of the Town.

**Tickets on sale in the local community and surrounding towns.**

**For €2 you could win this week's jackpot of €10,200**

**which would set you up nicely for Christmas.**



**JACKPOT €10,400**

### Looking Back to 50 years 1974

After the success of winning the small schools football league Peter Keogh and John Timmins turned their sights on getting the boys of the two school to play hurling. A set of huris' was bought and some sliotars some players would never have had a hurl in their hands. So the task began and they all took to the task like ducks to water. Some schools in the West had hurling going on a small scale but no competitions. Peter Keogh approached a business man in the town of Baltinglass, Billy Lee RIP, to put up a cup for a schools competition which was an outstanding success for many years. Other schools in the west bought into this competition like Hollywood, Kilbride, Dunlavin, Baltinglass, Vallymount. It was run on a league basis. The competition started after the summer holidays, we reached the final against Dunlavin school . For various reasons such as the dark evenings the final was not played until April. We won the final beating Dunlavin by a big margin. Team: Mickey Byrne, Sean Byrne, Tom Cremin, Seamus McDonald, Seamus Farrell, John Cremin (captain), Andy "Cap" Byrne, Martin Dowling, RIP, John Murphy, Thomas Murphy, Ned Cremin, Billy Hayes, Laurance Murphy, Tom Carty, Pat Donegan, Subs: Garrett Byrne, Declan Carroll, Mick Kelly, John Byrne, Declan Byrne and Noel Murphy, RIP. Some boys on this team would go on to play adult hurling with the present club and county. The Cremins Tom, Ned & John would be on the first winning Senior Championship team in 1987. Tom & Ned would go on to win many Senior championships and leagues and play with the County for many years. They won their first ever under 12 Hurling Championship in 1975. Declan Byrne, Seamus Farrell, Garrett Byrne, John Byrne and Mick Kelly were also on this under 12 team. The Lee cup was the foundation of hurling for many years . When teacher Brian Graham moved from Talbotstown to Rathcoyle school, they won the Lee Cup for many years, winning at one stage 12 times in a row. Brian in Rathcoyle, Peter Keogh in Talbotstown/ Tynock bought hurling to where it is today.

## Christmas Concert

In aid of the School House Community & Enterprise Centre. St Patrick's Church, Rathvilly With the Celtic Brothers starring the Willoughby Brothers. Special Guest Children's School Choir Stratford Lodge.

Sunday 8th December @ 7.00pm  
Doors open @ 5.30pm.  
Tickets €30

Available from, Centra supermarket, Post Office, Parish Office, Chemist, Lawlor's Bar, Green Lemon, & Top Oil Hacketstown.

A night not to be missed.

### St. Peter's Parish, Kiltegan,

are holding a Carol Service

On Sunday 15th December @ 7.00pm in St Peter's Church.



Followed by refreshments All are welcome.



### Scoil Treasa Naomha Tynock

present

Christmas with the Krackers

St Tegan's Hall

Tuesday, Dec 17th at 7pm

All Welcome.

### Happy Birthday

to the following who celebrated recently:

**Sauna Farrell, Stephen Whyte, Anthony "Figgis" Byrne, Michael Farrell, Nigel Byrne.**

We hope you all had a fantastic day.



## Rathdangan Community Council

Are hosting a Variety Night in aid of

**St. John's Caring Centre, Hacketstown on Friday 13th December in O'Toole Memorial hall, Rathdangan.**

**Starting at 8.00pm sharp.**

**Tickets on sale at €10 each and can be purchased from**

**John Cullen 086 8177382, or Shiela Whelan 087 6637591.**

Raffel on the night.

St. John's are in the process of renovating the centre so we are very grateful to Rathdangan Community Council for their support in the fundraising.

Donations can be made direct to St. Johns on Go Fund Me <https://gofund.me/685a4d0f>.

### Social Dance

in O'Toole Hall, Rathdangan on Saturday 14th December at 9pm.

Music by the Wicklow Man. Refreshments will be served. Free Raffle on the night also.



### The Worker

The Sligo, Wage and Hours Government Department claimed John was not paying proper wages to his workers and sent an inspector out to interview him.

'I need a list of your employees and how much you pay them,' demanded the agent. 'Well,' replied old John, 'There's my farm hand who's been with me for 3 years. I pay him €250 a week plus free room and board. The cook has been here for 18 months, and I pay her €200 a week plus free room and board. Then there's the half-wit who works about 18 hours every day and does about 90% of all the work around here. He makes about €5 per week, pays his own room and board and I buy him a bottle of whisky every Saturday night.'

'That's the guy I want to talk to, the half-wit,' says the agent.

'That would be me,' replied old farmer John.