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Easter 2023



There is a poem which tells the story of the strength and importance of hope, called 'Four Candles'. The candles represented peace, faith, love and hope. The first candle, which was peace, went out because the world was so full of violence and fighting. The second candle said "I am Faith but I am no longer needed in this world" and with that it went out. Then the third candle began to speak saying "I am love. People don't understand my importance, so they put me aside and they even forget to love those closest to them" Love's flame then went out too.

A child then entered the room – saw the four candles and wondered why only one was lit as they were all meant to be aflame until the end of time. The fourth candle responded "Do not be afraid, I am hope!" and while I am still burning we can re-light the other candles. The child's eyes were shining at they picked up the candle of hope and re-lit the other candles.

The child was told the greatest of these is love but the candle of hope should never go out in your life. With hope each of us can live with peace, faith and love!

Jesus in John 8:12 said "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will have life filled with light and never live in the dark."

So rejoice in the Lord's resurrection and be filled with Easter Hope!

"Jesus, we rejoice in your resurrection. Fill us with the hope that Easter brings, and help us to radiate the light of your love to others. Alleluia."

Philip Curran

Lucan Citizens Information Centre

Our telephone number is **0818 07 5090**

www.citizensinformation.ie

Email – lucan@citinfo.ie

Our office is located in the Ballyowen Castle Youth and Community Centre, Ballyowen, Lucan.

Opening hours:

Walk-ins to see an Information Officer

Tuesday: 10am - 12pm

Wednesday: None

Thursday: 10am – 12pm and 2pm to 4 pm

Reception open

Tuesday: 10am - 1pm and 2pm - 4pm

Wednesday: 10am - 1pm and 2pm - 4pm

Thursday: 10am - 1pm and 2pm - 4pm

We are closed on Mondays and Fridays.

Citizens Information Phone Service (CIPS) is open Monday to Friday 9 am to 8pm on 0818 07 4000

MABS – the Money Advice and Budgeting

Service is the State's money advice service, guiding people through dealing with problem debt for over 20 years. MABS phone service is open Monday to Friday 9 am to 8 pm on 0818 07 2000.

If your landlord wants you to leave

By law private landlords, approved housing bodies and people who let student-specific accommodation must follow certain rules before asking you to leave your rented accommodation. They must also give you a minimum amount of notice, depending on how long your tenancy has lasted.

Measures for tenants after the eviction ban

On 21 March 2023, the Government announced measures to help people whose tenancies will end when the winter eviction ban ends. The measures are aimed at tenants who are being evicted because their private landlord is selling their rental property. Some of these measures are already available, some will begin when the eviction ban ends and others will need legislation to bring them into effect. There are measures for both social housing tenants renting privately and private tenants.

Social housing tenants renting from private

landlords: If you are a social housing tenant and your private landlord wants to sell the home you are renting, the local authority can buy the home and you can continue to rent it from the local authority instead. This is known as the Tenant in Situ Scheme. It is aimed at people who are getting the Housing Assistance Payment (HAP) or are part of the Rental Accommodation Scheme (RAS) and whose landlords are leaving the rental market.



You should contact your local authority for more information about this scheme.

Private tenants who want to buy their rented home:

If you are renting and your landlord wants to sell your rental home, your landlord will have to offer to sell it to you first. This is known as First Right of Refusal. You will be able to use the First Home Scheme and the Local Authority Home Loan to help with the cost of buying the home. These schemes are being adapted so people in this situation can access them. The First Right of Refusal measure is not available yet.

Private tenants at risk of homelessness: If you can't afford to buy your rental home, or you don't want to buy it, the Housing Agency can buy the home and rent it to you. You can access this scheme if you are a private tenant who has received a notice of termination and you are at risk of homelessness because your landlord is selling. This is a temporary scheme known as the Cost Rental Tenant in Situ Scheme.

The Housing Agency will be your landlord and you will pay the same rent as you paid your previous landlord. This scheme will be available from 1 April 2023. You should contact your local authority about the scheme. They will assess what supports you qualify for and give your details to the Housing Agency, if this scheme is suitable for you. It is intended that the scheme will transition to a cost rental model in the future, where rents would be lower than market rents.

If you are going to be evicted when the eviction ban ends, you can contact organisations such as Threshold or Focus Ireland for advice. They can check if your Notice of Termination is valid and help you with the next steps.

Focus Ireland

www.focusireland.ie tel - 01 8815900

email – help@focusireland.ie

Threshold 21 Stoneybatter, Dublin 7.

Opening Hours: Mon-Fri 9.30 am - 5 pm

Tel: 1800 454 454. Fax: (01) 677 2407

Homepage: <http://www.threshold.ie>

Email: advice@threshold.ie

Threshold Dublin Outreach Clinic

Co. Council Office, Grove Road, Blanchardstown, Co. Dublin

Opening Hours: Tuesday 2pm - 5pm

Tel: (01) 635 3651

Residential Tenancies Board

PO Box 47 Clonakilty, Co. Cork

Opening Hours: 9am to 5pm

Tel: 0818 303 037 or 01 702 8100

Homepage: <http://www.rtb.ie/>



Lucan Drama

WAR

Set in the fictional Northside suburb of Barrytown, Roddy Doyle's comedy is set in the late 1980s/early 1990s. The action is split between the kitchen of the Finnegan family and the local pub, The Barrytown Inn. A fundraising pub quiz for the local cycling club, The Barrytown Wheelies, what could go wrong?

Well quite a lot as it turns out.

WAR will run in the Lucan SPA Hotel from May 23rd to 27th and tickets will be available from April 24th.

More details to follow.

Lucan Drama - Bringing Drama to Your Doorstep!



Lucan Festival will take place this year from Tues 4th to Sunday 10th September.

There will be Historical Talks and Walks, Primary Pupils forum with Senior Citizens, Fireworks, Open Day in the grounds of Lucan House by kind permission of His Excellency Mr Ruggero Corrias Italian Ambassador and his wife, Historical and Model Railways exhibitions and last but not least our Family Fun Day in the Village which will include Garda Station Open Day, International Food Stalls, 2 stages using local talent, local groups, Pet Farm, Puppet Show, bouncy castles and of course our FAMOUS GRIFFEEEN RIVER DUCK RACE.

That's what's lined up at the moment but keep an eye for further announcements.

Joe Byrne, Chairman



Acre Lawn Bowling (Celbridge), is now open for membership. All ages welcome. Come and play on our wonderful lawn. Running from April to September 2023.

For more information

Contact: holly@acreproject.com



Proposed Pilgrimage to Italy 2023/24

Update

There has been a significant number of expressions of interest from parishioners in participating in the proposed St.



Mary's and St. Patrick's Parishes Pilgrimage to Italy and it is not too late to register interest if you have not done so to date. Like many other sectors of the economy Travel Agencies have not been immune to the residual effects of COVID in terms of staff shortages, a consequence of which is that some travel agencies are no longer in the business of taking on the organisation of "bespoke" travel itineraries.

However since the first publication at the end of January in the Newsletter of the plans to organise this pilgrimage discussions have been on-going with reputable travel agencies still doing this work and the current position is as follows:

The pilgrimage will take place around the first week in May 2024. (The option of it taking place in the autumn of this year has been dropped on the advice of the Travel Agencies.)

Travel Agencies will not be able to provide a price for the pilgrimage until airlines indicate their schedules for May 2024.

It is hoped that full details will be available in the coming weeks and all who have expressed interest will be contacted at that time.

Esker Active Retirement Association

Hi everyone,

We had another very successful trip away with our group, this time back to Clonakilty Park Hotel. We were very lucky with the weather; the scenery was outstanding, great day trips and the food and entertainment were excellent.

We had such fun times and I for one will never forget the outstanding dance between Finbarr and Helen; it left us speechless to say the least lol. Our lot are so active, they never left the dance floor! My feet haven't recovered yet!

We had our club today and we're back again next Wednesday at 1.30pm.

Till next time, Happy Easter everyone.

Marian Egan, Club Secretary

086 1269 043



Parish Notes

St Mary's, Lucan

www.lucanparish.com



Good Friday:

3pm: Solemn Celebration of the Lord's

Passion; this includes Veneration of the Cross and Holy Communion.

8pm: Stations of the Cross

Holy Saturday:

Confessions: 11am to 12 noon and 2 to 4pm

9pm: Easter Vigil - The Easter Vigil celebrates the triumph of Christ over death and His victorious resurrection to new life. We light the outdoor fire, distribute the light from the Easter Candle, renew our Baptismal promises and join in the Easter Alleluia!

Do come and join us for this joyous celebration.



Easter Sunday:

Masses: **9am, 10.30am, and 12 noon.**

No Evening Mass on Easter Sunday

Weekday Masses: Monday – Saturday: 10am

All Services will be live-streamed on

www.lucanparish.com

Fr Philip and Fr Ubaldo together with Sr. Geraldine and the Parish Pastoral Council join in wishing all our parishioners every Blessing and Joy of the Easter Season.

Christian Meditation:

There will be **NO** meditation meeting this Tuesday. Our next meeting will be on Tuesday 18th April.

Happy and Blessed Easter to everyone.

Keep on praying.

Sr Geraldine.



Praying with Scripture:

There will be **NO** Praying with Scripture this Monday due to bank holiday.

Bethany Bereavement Support Group:

We meet **every 2nd Monday at 10.45am and 4th Thursday at 8pm of the month** in the Parish Centre. We are available to listen to or just be there for anyone who is feeling lonely or lost following the death of a loved one.

Sr Geraldine.

Baptisms:

Dates are bookable on line. If you need to cancel a booking contact: secretary@lucanparish.com

Visits to the housebound:

If you are housebound you can call Deirdre at the parish office (01 621 7041) we will be happy to call on a monthly basis.

Divine Mercy Devotion:



We encourage everyone to pray this Novena in their homes. Novena leaflets can be picked up in the main Church porch and blessed Images of Divine Mercy at the devotions on **Wednesday after the 10am Mass** (there is no charge for the leaflets or pictures).

A **relic of St Faustina** will be available for blessing on Wednesday too.

Our Lord wanted the first Sunday after Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday) to be a very special day for all souls and He promised those who go to confession and receive Holy Communion that their souls will be wiped completely clean of all sin and retribution, such that if we died we would go straight to heaven.

Divine Mercy Devotion St Mary's Parish Lucan

Ecumenical Way of the Cross Good Friday 12pm

Departing St Mary's processing to Lucan Methodist, Presbyterian and Church of Ireland Churches.

St. Patrick's Esler/Doddsboro/Adamstown

www.stpatrickslucan.ie



Good Friday 7th April:

3pm: Solemn Celebration of the Lord's Passion, Veneration of the Cross and Holy Communion.

8pm: Stations of the Cross.

Holy Saturday 8th April:

9pm: Easter Vigil

The Easter Vigil celebrates the triumph of Christ over death and His victorious resurrection to new life. We light the outdoor fire, distribute the light from the Easter Candle, renew our Baptismal promises and join in the Easter Alleluia! Do come and join us for this joyous celebration.

Easter Sunday 9th April:

Masses: **9am, 10.30am** and **12 noon**

Weekday Masses: Monday to Saturday at 10am.

All Services will be live-streamed at
stpatrickslucan.ie

We wish all our parishioners every blessing and joy this Holy Season.

May the Risen Lord shine his light on you and bless you richly with his peace.



Anam Cara
South Dublin, the
organisation that
supports bereaved

parents, is holding its monthly Parent Evening for bereaved parents on **Monday 17th April at 7:15pm** in the Maldron Hotel, Whitestown Way, Tallaght.

This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether their death was recent or not.

Divine Mercy, Lucan South

www.lucansouthparish.net



Good Friday:

12 noon: Stations of the Cross

1 - 2pm: Holy Face of Jesus Devotions

3pm: Commemoration of the Lord's Passion

8pm: Stations of the Cross

Holy Saturday:

Confessions: 10am to 10.45am and 1pm to 2pm

9pm: Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday:

Masses: **10.30am** and **12.15pm**

Easter Monday: Mass 10.00am

Weekday Masses: Tues. - Fri. 9:15am. Sat. 10am

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

"Blessed are the merciful"



Jesus, I trust in You

Sunday 16th April 2023

2-3pm Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament
With Divine Mercy Devotions

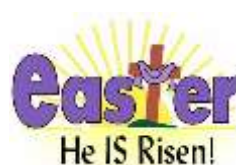
2-3pm Priests available for confession

3.00pm - 3 o'clock Prayer

3.30pm Holy Mass
Celebrant: Fr. Aidan Kieran

Followed by Veneration of The Divine Mercy
Image and individual blessing with Relics of
St Faustina

CHURCH OF DIVINE MERCY - LUCAN SOUTH - BALGADDY



Acknowledgement

Rev. Fr. Denis Carroll RIP

We, the family of the late Fr. Denis Carroll, thank most sincerely all those who sympathised with us on our recent sad loss. We have been greatly touched by the many kind messages and expressions of sympathy received on his passing.



A sincere thank you to all who attended Denis' reposing and funeral Mass and those who participated in the ceremonies.

Our thanks to Archbishop Dermot Farrell, Fr. Philip Curran for his warm welcome, Fr. John Hassett for his touching eulogy and all the priests who concelebrated the funeral Mass. Our heartfelt thanks to the choir and musicians who gave Denis such a moving send off.

We especially thank the parishioners of St. Patrick's Church, for your love and kindness to Denis during his ministry in Esker. Denis was blessed to be part of such a wonderful community.

Mass has been offered for your intentions.

Anniversaries

Johnny Bevan

3rd Anniversary - 13th April

A little prayer today we say
for he who in our hearts and thoughts will stay.

Loved and missed today and always by Elizabeth and family.



Bridget Brennan

10th Anniversary - 14th April

Late of Cooldrinagh Road, Lucan

Missed always by her loving family and friends. Bridget always loved her flowers and the garden, and we think of her fondly at this time of year with the arrival of Spring.

The years pass quickly but we always cherish the fond memories that we have of Bridget.

Also remembered, her husband,
Paul Brennan, RIP.

Always remembered by Paul, Gerard, Theresa, Clare and Michael, grandchildren and friends.



Derek Finn

44th Anniversary - 14th April

In loving memory of dear Derek, also his friends
Declan, **Victor** and **David**.

Gone are the days we used to share
But in our hearts you are always there
The gates of memory will never close
We miss you more than anyone knows
With tender love and deep regret
We who love you will never forget.

Sadly missed and always loved by Dad, Angela, Edward, Les, Ken and families. xx

Deanna (Dena) Slacke

23rd Anniversary - 7th April

The years are swiftly passing
With sad and deep regret
But hearts that loved you dearly
Are the ones that don't forget
But precious memories keep you near
Despite the passing years

Remembered by her husband John and family.

John (Jack) Kilduff

39th Anniversary

Chapel Hill.

In Loving Memory of our dear father Jack.

Silent thoughts of times together
Hold memories that last forever.

Remembered by all the family.

Birthday Remembrance

Larry O'Toole

61st Birthday - 4th April

1st Birthday away from home
Late of Sarsfield Park and Ballyfermot

Along the road of suffering
You found a little lane
That took you up to Heaven
And ended all your pain

You may be out of sight
We may be worlds apart
But you are always in our prayers
And always in our hearts.

Sadly missed by his loving wife June, his sons, daughters, grandchildren, mother, brothers and sisters.



Happy Easter to all!

Thankfully, the weather has improved over the past week – double figures every day now! We hope everyone enjoys this festive time, but go easy on those Easter Eggs.

Best of luck to all the students taking their Oral Leaving Cert. Exams over the holiday period. Good reports so far – and great excitement was witnessed on completion of same in one school yard!



Cake Sale for Temple Street Hospital – Well done to **Caoimhe Brady**, who organised a Cake Sale on Meadowview Grove, Hillcrest, on Sunday last, raising **€672.76**. This young lady did all the baking herself, and there were some truly scrumptious delights on offer. The produce was every bit as good as you might see on the Bake Off!



Medjugorje Group Pilgrimage 2023

Direct flights from Dublin

15th May or 18th October for 9 nights was €825 now €775. Single room supplement €180.

17th May or 18th October for 7 nights was €775 now €715. Single room supplement €140.

Phone Pat Colgan on 087 2238911 or book through Marian Pilgrimages on 01 878 8159 (and say I'm going with Pat Colgan)

Lough Derg 2023 Pilgrimage Season

One Day Retreats

May:

Monday 1st, Sunday 7th, Tuesday 9th, Sunday 14th, Saturday 20th, Saturday 27th, Monday 29th,

August:

Saturday 19th, Tuesday 22nd, Sunday 27th

September:

Saturday 2nd, Wednesday 6th, Saturday 9th, Tuesday 12th, Saturday 16th, Sunday 17th, Saturday 23rd, Sunday 24th

Admission: €45, Booking Essential, Concessions available for groups

Three Day Pilgrimage

Thursday 1st June until Monday 15th August
(last day to begin Sunday 13th August)

Admission: €80, Booking Advised, Concessions available for students, seniors & groups

Lakeshore Pilgrimage

(along the Pilgrim Path)

Sunday 21st May and Saturday 30th September
Admission €25, Booking Essential

Quiet Day - Friday 12th May and Friday 15th September
Admission €35, Booking Essential.

Sanctuary of St Patrick, Pettigo, Co Donegal
www.loughderg.org

info@loughderg.org
Ph: 071 9861518

January 1940, saw the frozen-over Liffey in Lucan,

perhaps on the stretch near Shackleton's Mill, where it was previously frozen-over back in 18.....

People can be clearly seen skating on the ice!

Photo courtesy of Yvonne Sweeney

Looking at Weather Temperature

There are two scales in use for measuring temperature. These are Fahrenheit and Celsius. These were developed in the 18th century by Daniel Gabriel Fahrenheit and Anders Celsius. Fahrenheit was born in Poland but lived in The Dutch Republic for most of his life. He was part of The Golden Age of Dutch Science which spanned from the late 16th century to the late 17th century. Vermeer and Rembrandt were artists at this time. Celsius was the founder of the other



scale. He was a Swedish astronomer. This scale was originally called Centigrade. It is derived from the Latin term for “one hundred steps”.

Freezing and Boiling Point of Water.

Freezing Point – Fahrenheit 32 F (32 degrees Fahrenheit). Celsius 0C (0 degrees Celsius).

Boiling Point – Fahrenheit 212 F. Celsius 100C.

Today the vast majority of countries use Celsius as their scale. Along with a few other countries it uses the Fahrenheit scale. Examples of these countries are the Bahamas, The Cayman Islands and Liberia. The U.K. started to change over to Celsius in 1962. Some people still relate to Fahrenheit and this scale is used sometimes to sensationalize heatwaves by making use of the bigger numbers. 100F sounds more impressive than 38C in a newspaper headline!

Significance of some air temperatures.

4C: Under certain conditions it is possible to have some ice on roads at 4C air temperature. It seems too high for it to happen. But on a cold, clear, calm night the road surface temperature falls away much quicker than the air temperature. Some vehicles have an ice alarm which indicates that the air temperature has fallen to 4C, thus raising the possibility that the road surface temperature might be close to 0C.

6C: At 6C air temperature grass and plants begin to grow.

13C: This temperature can be regarded as a threshold. At 13C with a sunny sky and light winds it starts to feel quite comfortable for activity outdoors. As early as March these conditions can occur. At this temperature honeybees leave the hive to forge for food outdoors.



If you see a swarm of ants, you know that it is 13C at least. Our planet sustains us and other living things.



If you average out temperatures across the earth, you get close to 13C. So, there is something notable about 13 degrees. Let's call it lucky 13C!



Low 20s C (21C to 24C).

At these temperatures it feels very pleasant and is ideal for holidaymaking. As a reference, our afternoon summer temperature is often close to 19C in Ireland.

25C: We regarded as having a hot day when 25C is reached. Five days in a row of 25C or more constitute an Irish heatwave.

Indoors. Indoor temperatures are recommended to be between 18C and 21C. In these high energy price times, many people will find setting their heat at 19C perfectly adequate.

Minus 40C. At this extremely low temperature the Fahrenheit and Celsius scales intersect. Thankfully we don't experience this temperature in Ireland. Minus 40C = Minus 40F.

Problematic High Temperatures

Shakespeare in his Sonnet (18) *“Shall I compare thee to a summer's day?”* gives us his opinion of summer weather and in line 5 says: *“Sometime too hot the eye of heaven shines”*.

A high temperature can lead a person to omit a religious duty!

A humorous poem by Ogden Nash illustrates this.

I Didn't Go To Church Today.

*I didn't go to church today,
I trust the Lord to understand.
The surf was swirling blue and white,
The children swirling on the sand.
He knows, He knows how brief my stay,
How brief this spell of summer weather.
He knows when I am said and done,
We'll have plenty of time together.*

D.T.



Palmerstown Camera Club

At Palmerstown Camera Club we hold a weekly meeting in person, every Wed from 8 pm to 10 pm in the Palmerstown Parish Hall. People interested in joining the club or even attending one or two meetings FREE of charge to see how their photography could benefit from being a member can do so by contacting secpcc@mail.com

Recently in Palmerstown Camera Club, we had the judging night for a themed competition “Long Exposure”, and below we have three of the winning images:



Advanced. “A View to a Mountain - Nina Butler”.



Intermediate. “Poco Del Pulgas - Orla Brady”.



Novice. “Fast Fingers - Ben Emmett”.



LUCAN COMMUNITY GAMES TALENT COMPETITION



LUCAN
SARSFIELDS



17:30

SUNDAY 7th MAY

REGISTER NOW



GROUP & INDIVIDUAL

SINGING, MODERN DANCE, RECITATION, COMEDY,
DRAMA, IRISH DANCING, CHOIR, MUSIC

Must be u16 as at 31 July and from Lucan

CHECK US OUT ON [f LUCANGAMES](https://www.facebook.com/lucangames); [i LUCANCOMMUNITY](https://www.instagram.com/lucancommunity)

LUCANGAMES@GMAIL.COM [t LUCANGAMES](https://www.facebook.com/lucangames)

Castletown House & Gardens

Castletown House Tours

Daily.... with a special one every Sunday!



Tours run daily. First tour is at 10:15am (then 11, 12, 1, 2, 3, 4 and last public tour at 4:30pm)

Look out for our Sundays at Castletown series... each Sunday guides will be sharing stories and different aspect of Castletown's history. We will be announcing the theme on social media.

You can book your slot on the Sunday at Castletown tours via email: castletown@opw.ie or phone: 01 6288252



Easter Bonnet Parade: Biodiversity Garden

Monday 10 April @ 2pm

Join us for a family fun Easter bonnet parade. Get all creative and make your family Easter bonnet!!

Best Dressed Family Bonnet wins a Family OPW Heritage Card!

Meet our esteemed judges at 2pm and enjoy some music in the Biodiversity Garden at the same time!!

And as a promotion for the Seasonal Summer Pass.....Admission to the Biodiversity Garden is free from 2pm to 5pm on the day! No dogs allowed.

Diana, Barrymore and the Aga Khan Exhibition

From April 2023, Stable Wing

60 years ago this year, Diana Conolly-Carew made history. She became the first woman to win an Aga Khan medal for Ireland on the first Irish team to have civilian riders.

Come and see her story at Castletown

Music in the Garden

Monday 10 April @ 2pm. Biodiversity Garden.

Join us for a wonderful afternoon of music in Castletown's Biodiversity Garden. Admission is free.



Handel's Messiah

Long Gallery, 22 April 2023 @ 8-10pm

The beautiful Long Gallery of Castletown House welcomes home Handel's great masterpiece Messiah, once again, for a very special performance with choir and full orchestra, and a cast of the finest soloists, under the baton of Niall Kinsella. A perfect opportunity to hear the beautiful strains of music that Katherine Conolly enjoyed centuries ago.

Cambiata Chamber Choir

Irish Choral Sinfonia, Maria McGrann, soprano, Sarah Richmond, mezzo-soprano, Owen Lucas, tenor, Own Gilhooly-Miles, baritone

<https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/488575010007>

Sunday Stroll in our Living Landscape

23 April @ 3pm. Meeting Point: Cafe Courtyard

Join us for our Parklands walk and see the landscape of Castletown with new eyes! Visit the Ice House and much more...

The walk takes place this Sunday, 23 April @ 3pm.

To book your slot email castletown@opw.ie or Phone 01 628 8252

Lucan Library



Easter Weekend Library Hours - please note that the library will close on Thursday 6th April at 8pm and reopen Tuesday 11th April at 9.45am

All events and activities are free of charge.

Easter and Mid-Term Activities

Tuesday 11th April. 2pm / 3pm / 4pm

Lego Workshops with the Brickworkx Club

for ages 6 – 12 years. 2pm - 2.45pm: Booking

<https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/lego-workshops-for-kids-tickets-601382450097>

3pm - 3.45pm: Booking

<https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/lego-workshops-for-kids-tickets-601385258497>

4pm - 4.45pm: Booking

<https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/lego-workshops-for-kids-tickets-601386923477>

Wednesday 12th April. 3.30pm. Make Elephant Toothpaste and Beautiful Bath Balms with the Nutty Scientist. Suitable for ages 5-9 years. Booking

<https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/make-elephant-toothpaste-and-bath-balms-with-the-nutty-scientist-tickets-598493368777>

Thursday 13th April. Cool Food School

Workshops - make a carrot cake power ball dipped in white chocolate and decorated to look like a little chick! 11am - 12noon for ages 6 - 8 years. Booking

Eventbrite: <https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/fun-easter-cooking-class-with-the-cool-food-school-for-kids-aged-6-8-yrs-tickets-532068389877>

12.30pm - 1.30pm for ages 9 - 12 years.

Booking <https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/fun-easter-cooking-class-with-the-cool-food-school-for-kids-aged-9-12-yrs-tickets-590521825677>

Events for Babies and Toddlers:

Thursday 27th April at 10am

Toddler Time with Sarah Sparkles

Booking Essential from Thursday 20th April at

10am: <https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/toddler-time-with-sarah-sparkles-tickets-598936293577>



Storytime

Our regular Story-Time continues on Wednesdays at 3pm. All welcome!

Lucan Library Book Clubs:

Wednesday 26th April, 7pm, reading *The Abstinence* by Ian McGuire

Monday 24th April, 12 noon, reading *The Lincoln Highway* by Amor Towles

Junior Book Club, Wednesday 26th April, 3.30pm, reading *The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time* by Mark Haddon

YA Book Club, Saturday 15th April, 3pm, reading *Annexed* by Sharon Dogar



Lucan Library Knitters Club

Every Monday 10am - 12noon - new members welcome.

TTRS (Touch, Type, Read, Spell)

Places are available for our Touch-type, Read and Spell (TTRS) classes.

The 6-week block of classes take place on Wednesday evenings from 6-7pm and act as an introduction to the programme. These classes are for children aged from 8-12 who have literacy difficulties or have difficulties in typing, writing or spelling. Please contact us to express an interest in enrolling or for more information

Lucan Library Classic Film Club

Tuesday 18th April at 5.30pm. All welcome, enquire at library desk.

Lucan Library Scrabble Club

Tuesday 11th April, 11am.

All welcome.



Thursday 20th April. 2pm - 4pm

South Dublin Volunteer Centre will bring their information stand to the library. Come along and see what opportunities for volunteering can be found in the Lucan area.

Exhibition:

JFK: A President We All Remember.



POLITICAL NOTES

Emer Higgins TD – Fine Gael

78 The Orchard, Lucan. 01 401 3416

Emer.higgins@oireachtas.ie

School building projects back on track:

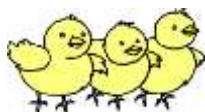
Great news that funding has been allocated to allow all recently paused school projects to now proceed. I have been working with the Dept of Education and Minister Paschal Donohoe to highlight a number of local schools and I'm glad that the matter is now resolved. Schools will be individually contacted by the Dept of Education to update them on their status.

Aldi and Tesco open:

Best of luck to the management and staff of the brand-new Aldi and Tesco stores as they open their doors to the public. Both shops are located at The Crossings near Adamstown Train Station.

Happy Easter:

Wishing everyone in Lucan an enjoyable and peaceful Easter. Spring is in the air!



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Griffen Community College:

I was pleased to learn this week that a budget has been secured to progress Griffen Community College to the next stage of their school building project. This is something I have lobbied for continuously. This school needs a new permanent building as soon as possible and I will continue to push for this with my colleague, Norma Foley Minister for Education.

Mayor's Mile:

My colleague, Mayor Cllr. Emma Murphy is inviting people from all over the county to take part in the [#MayorsMile](#) in our local parks, including Griffen Valley Park, this April. Take a picture and tag South Dublin County Council on any of their social media channels using [#MayorsMile](#) to be in with a chance of winning weekly prizes.

Beannachtaí na Cásca:

Best wishes to the team and readers of the Lucan Newsletter for Easter!



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Cumann na Sáirséalaigh Leamhcáin



This week we saw a great start weather-wise but it then quickly deteriorated meaning most matches were cancelled due to the unplayable conditions at the week-end. We were delighted to see Daire Newcombe line-out for the division 2 league final where Dublin managed to breakdown the strong defensive record of Derry.



Camogie

Sunday was a historic day for the club – winning two Leinster league Camogie titles at the National GAA Centre in Abbotstown. Proudly sporting the new jerseys sponsored by Blackrock Health Hermitage Clinic, our Senior Camogie team lined out against St Cillian's from Offaly in the Division 1 Final, while our Junior A team played Trim of Meath in the Division 4 Final.

Playing on a manicured grass pitch on a perfect day for Camogie our senior team were first off, the mark and went into an early lead; in a highly competitive and exciting game Lucan went on to lead at half time by 0.08 to 0.03. Lucan continued to notch up points in the second half, giving few opportunities to St Cillian's to threaten their lead. With five minutes to go, Sophie McIntyre took her goal opportunity, putting the game out of reach of St Cillians. Lucan ran out winners on a scoreline of 1-14 to 0-6.

Captain Emma Flanagan accepted the trophy from Linda Kenny, Chairperson of Leinster Camogie. In her acceptance speech, Emma expressed her delight to be bringing the cup home for a second year in a row.



Meanwhile on the All-weather pitch, the Junior team fought a close battle with Trim, pulling away in the latter stages with 2 goals leaving the final score on 3-10 to 0-8.



LGFA Division 2 Go-Ahead Adult Cup, Lucan 0-11 Templeogue Synge Street 1-11: Lucan ladies had a warm-up game against Confey on the Monday preceding their first cup game. Lucan stayed well in control for much of the game and in last 4 minutes conceded two late goals for Confey to reduce their deficit. Final Score Lucan Sarsfields 6-8, 5-7 Confey.

Next game was a Cup fixture at home v Templeogue Synge St. A very close encounter with TSS edging it by a goal.

Go Ahead AFL1, 29th March 2023, Lucan Sarsfields 1-09 Kilmacud Crokes 1-09: Our

Senior football team faced their toughest challenge so far this season when reigning All-Ireland Champions Kilmacud Crokes came to the 12th Lock on Wednesday night. The weather was kind and a dry night helped get a large crowd up to support the Senior team as they put their 100% winning start on the line. The U-12 boys team gave the Kilmacud team a guard of honour at the start of the game in recognition of their recent All-Ireland win.

Next up for Lucan is another home game against Ballyboden St Enda's on Sat 22nd April at 6pm in the 12th Lock. Hopefully there will be an equally large home support at that game as it made a huge difference in such a tight game against Kilmacud.

AFL Div 6: Garristown 1-6 Lucan Sarsfields 5-23, 2nd April: Last time out it was a draw, but it was difficult to know if it was a winning or losing feeling. Today we were left with a very similar sense. The Garristown pitch, despite all the rain, was in decent condition, but it still left for very slippery conditions. There was an awful lot of passes going astray, dropped balls and bone crunching collisions.

Social News and Events.

Past Players of Jim McCarthy are welcome to return for a memorial match on the 3rd anniversary of his passing, see you in the Club on the 15th April at 5pm.

Lotto: No Winner of last week's Lotto Prize of €16,600. The Numbers were **3, 11, 13, 19.**

The 5 lucky dip prizes go to, Mary Freeman, Rory Stapleton, Paul Heneghan, Donal Downes, Joseph

Hegarty

Next week's Lotto will be for a jackpot of **€17,000.** The draw is sponsored by Clandillon Motors and will be led by Shay Hurson.



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Buachaillí – Peil: Maith sibh a bhuachaillí,
coinníollacha deacair ach bhí peile iontach ar siúl,
in ainneoin na haimsire! Ag feabhsú an t-am ar
fad.

Buachaillí F11 – Peil: Lá iontach inniu le sár-
imirt ó na foirme....bhí gach duine ar fheabhas.
Bhí sár scóranna le fheiceáil agus bhí na scileanna
go léir ann. Cheapaim go raibh seo an lá is fearr a
chonaic mé riamh.

Bhí mé féin agus na cóitseálaithe go léir bhrodúil
as na lads

Bhí mé ann bhrodúil as na lads a d'imir le Naomh
Peregrine....Jack O Leary, Orin Crowe agus
Bobby Foy agus as na lads a d'imir suas inniu
Luke O Toole agus Finn Graham



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SPORTS



The indoor Track and Field season came to a conclusion with many superb performances on both national and international levels.

World Indoor Master's Torun Poland

Kearney Tops the world stage.

Carol Kearney on Top of the World, what a performance from our Club Hero. Carol returns home from the World master's Indoors in Torun with a silver and two bronze. Her club mate Leanne Wellings returns home with a bronze medal.



On Wednesday Carol ran the race of her life in the 400m to finish in the bronze medal position in a time of 1.08.37, Carol also qualified for the 200m final in some style winning her semi- final in a time of 29.40. Well done Carol you are a true inspiration to other club members and to others in our community.

Leanne competed so strongly in both the 60m and 200m. After the completion of these sprint events both had a few days to prep for the relays on Saturday.

On Wednesday we had Pat Newham competing for the first time at the world championships in the discus, Pat had a hugely credible top 10 finish with a throw of 23.11m. Well done such a proud moment for Pat to wear the green vest.

On Saturday we had another fantastic festival of racing from the indoor world master's championships.

The week finished off with a series of relays. 4*200m Ladies and men's, followed by the mixed 4*200m, our Lucan Harriers and Ireland teams didn't disappoint

Carol and team getting bronze in the ladies 4*200 and silver in the mixed event.

Leanne getting bronze in the mixed event.

So, Carol finishes the championships with two bronze and a silver. Leanne bronze.

Congratulations Ladies fantastic performances.

A mention for Annette Durkan who despite been injured still travelled to Torun to Support, Carol,



Leanne and Pat. Her support was greatly appreciated. Ireland also finished 7th in the medal table with 75 medals. Punching well above our weight compared to larger nations. 28 Gold - 23 Silver - 24 Bronze.

National Juveniles Indoors

News from the national Juveniles indoors in Athlone on Saturday and Sunday. Two national champions in the club, silver and bronze medallists, a championship record and some PBs National Gold medal in the U19 1500m for Benjamin Caullier in an amazing time of 3:56:17 What an amazing run from Eve Noctor - a National Silver in the U19 400m in a pb of 56:85, .10 of a second off gold, absolutely nothing in it. Another podium finish, this time a National Bronze for Davis Quinn in the U16 1500m walk in a great time of 7:49:82 - well done Davis. 2 more medals to finish out a very successful day. Gold for Saoirse in the U17 400m in a new PB and championship record of 56.78 and Silver for Jacob Ciomek in the U16 Triple Jump with an excellent jump of 10.93m.

Eve Noctor fresh from her silver medal on Saturday comes home as a National 800m champion on Sunday. Well done Eve. Not to be outdone Saoirse Fitzgerald only went on to take the U17 800m title to go along with her 400m title, just no stopping this girl. Loads of other great performances over the weekend, with lots of pbs! Well done everyone.

Other News

Ryan Rafter travelled to Germany for the Berlin Half in 1.21.44, fantastic running.

In the real Capital we had Edna Connolly running the Sonia O Sullivan 10-mile race in Cobh in a very impressive time of 59.57 in 26th place overall

BHAA 4-mile race in St Annes Park. Very wet conditions on Saturday morning, conditions under foot were far from ideal with many parts of the course flooded.

Fanchea Gibson - 60.00. Alison Place - 47.33.

Jim Dwyer - 46.00. Orla Moroney - 42.00.

Anne Marie Lavin - 40.28.

Irene Foley -38.51. Edel Smyth - 38.35.

Eileen O' Brien - 33.34.

Colin O Gara - 28.18. Gary Farrell -24.18.

Meanwhile in Glendalough we had Fiona Allen completing an adventure race of cycle/run/kayak. Completing the 21K course in 1 hour 45 minutes As usual we also had many others out pounding the streets in preparation for upcoming races, and a lot also taking part in various Parkruns, well done to everyone who got out running this weekend. ***Please check out our Social Media for further stories.***

St. Mary's Camera Soirée

There was no meeting of the Camera Soiree this Friday because of Good Friday. We will be back in the Parish centre on 14th April when we hope to look at the first tranche of photographs on the subject of “machinery”.

It is that time of year again and Josie submitted some photographs of early rapeseed and spring lambs. Of course there were comments about when these beautiful creatures would land on our dinner plates.

The photograph of the rapeseed confirms that Nature has truly reawakened from its winter slumbers.



Donal found some unusual fungi in St. Edmundsbury and Conor was out kayaking around the Bailey lighthouse at Howth. The first lighthouse on this site was built around 1670! This building was located so high on the headland that its light was often obscured by fog.



A new tower, lower down, was completed in 1814. In 1996 the system was converted to automatic working and the last lighthouse-keeper left a year later making the Bailey lighthouse to last to go automatic.

The optic pedestal and rotating machine which was in use in the Bailey from 1902 to 1972 is now on display in the National Maritime Museum whose collection is housed in the former Mariners Church in Haigh Terrace, Dún Laoghaire.

The museum is open daily from 11am to 5pm and is well worth a visit.

Until next week stay safe!