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Fr. Joe Poole CSSp (Sarsfield Park native) on the move



In 2009, after a period of several months recovering from what was assumed to be cerebral malaria, I arrived in Ballintubber and Ballymoe parish in Elphin diocese. I volunteered to spend 2 months in a relief role, working for the first time in an Irish Church situation. I left, over a decade later, in 2020!

Looking back, I can say that, facilitated greatly by the people of Ballintubber and Ballymoe parish, rural life in the west of Ireland suited me immensely. Gradually putting in place the basic necessities of parish administration and learning from the experience of my 12 years in Angola, I identified leadership potential in my new pastoral situation. Leadership was easily promoted at parish level but was

complicated by diocesan and institutional structures that were not always life-giving. Joined by John Laizer in the parish some six months after I had begun, I started to think about new spaces to meet parishioners and others who had minimal or no contact with the Church, and how to build trust and a bridge within the community. Playing pool again for the first time since my youth and taking part in social dancing, I got to know people I wouldn't otherwise have known, and celebrated the sacraments with them, including funerals of some I encountered at the Pool table. I went to the local farmers' mart fortnightly, meeting buyers and sellers of cattle and sheep, and eventually getting to understand the mart's intricacies. Spiritans facilitated the celebration of weekly Mass and more in Castlerea Prison, as we opted to be part of the chaplaincy team.

I really enjoyed every aspect of living in Ballintubber / Ballymoe. It gave me back a sense of purpose, confidence as a leader, and an acceptance of the present. The local bishop one day asked if I would consider becoming a priest of his diocese full time, his proposal would have meant my leaving the Spiritan Missionary Congregation that I belonged to. I was glad he asked this question; it helped me to make a decision regarding my future, recognising that what I wanted was to return to work with those who were the poorest and the most abandoned.

On a holiday, I went to meet the Spiritan leadership team in Portugal where I first learnt Portuguese before spending twelve years in Angola from 1995; the Provincial there outlined the diverse range of their activities. It was immediately clear to me that this was where I now wished to work and flourish as a human being.

On leaving Ballintubber / Ballymoe in June 2020, I took time to deal with my own health issues and I have been lucky enough to spend time at home caring for my mother. I had hoped to take up a new appointment in Lisbon as Chaplain to Migrants in early 2021. However, like everybody else I have had to wait for vaccinations. Grateful for the experience that I have had to date in both Africa and Ireland, I now write these few words from Lisbon, at the beginning of a new adventure working with Migrants.

Lucan Citizens Information Centre

www.citizensinformation.ie

COVID-19 has changed the service we offer to the public. Our drop-in service is not currently available, but we are taking phone calls, answering emails, and providing a call back service.



Call us on 0761 07 5090, leave a message with your name and number and an Information Officer will return your call within 2 working days.

Or you can email your query to us at dscis@citinfo.ie and someone will reply.

Citizens Information Phone Service (CIPS)
0761 07 4000 operates on Monday to Friday 9 am to 8 pm.

MABS: The Money Advice and Budgeting Service is the State's money advice service, guiding people through dealing with problem debt for over twenty years. MABS Clondalkin, phone 0761 07 2270 or email clondalkin@mabs.ie

Helplines

Childline (ISPC) provides a 24-hour national listening service for young people up to the age of 18 on 1800 666 666. Alternatively, you can text 50101 or chat online from 10am – 4pm every day.

Pieta House: If you are suicidal or engaging in self-harm:
Free-phone 1800 247 247 (any time, day or night)
Text HELP to 51444 (standard rates apply)
Samaritans 116 123
Support for postnatal depression website pnd.ie
Aware 1800 804848, email support@aware.ie

More information on helplines is available on our website under the heading Services and supports during COVID-19 (citizensinformation.ie)

Covid 19: For up-to-date information on all matters relating to COVID-19, please go to gov.ie/recovery

Student Grant scheme: Comprehensive information on the student grant scheme also known as SUSI - Student Universal Support Ireland including how to apply is available on Student Grant Scheme (citizensinformation.ie)

Fuel Scheme: Fuel Allowance is a means-tested payment to help with the cost of heating your home during the winter months. It is paid to people who are receiving certain long-term social welfare payment.

The aim of the scheme is to help qualified households in receipt of certain social welfare payments with their heating costs. The allowance represents a contribution towards a person's normal heating expenses. It is not intended to meet those costs in full.

The Fuel Allowance season normally begins in October of each year and ends in April. Currently the rate of payment is €28.00 per week from October to April each year.

Only one Fuel Allowance is paid to each household.

More information is available on gov.ie - Fuel Allowance (www.gov.ie)



PLEASE NOTE:

We are **NOT** operating from the Newsletter Office at the moment, but leave your ads, queries or notices in the **letter box at St. Mary's Parish Centre, before 10pm on Wednesday night**, and we'll collect and look after them.

Alternately email notices/reports to any of the following:

Community / Schools/ Local History
marylucannewsletter@gmail.com

Sport / Politics
roselucannewsletter@gmail.com

Parish Notes / Fund Raising
annalucannewsletter@gmail.com

Anniversaries etc / Advertising Queries
catherinelucannewsletter@gmail.com

September

September means its time again for going off to school.

The days are getting shorter
And the nights are getting cool.



Palmerstown Camera Club

As we step into Sept Palmerstown Camera Club are excited to kick off the new season with the club starting on Sept 8th. With a host of speakers and workshops for the coming year. And we invite New and Returning members to join us.

We are a group of photographers that meet every Wed from 8-10 pm. We will be online for the first few weeks until we know what the regulations will be. The annual membership fee is €110 and this includes a FREE 6-week Beginners Photography Course on Wed 7-8 pm. This course is given by an award-winning photographer within the club. The tutorials are informative with great tips on how to get the best out of you and your camera.

We are a club that serves all levels of photography. Novice, Intermediate and Advanced.



The featured image of Poolbeg overlooking Dublin Bay was taken by Aoife Tierney.

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.

Thank You

Thank you to all of my wonderful friends and neighbours for the kindness and support extended to me over the past number of weeks.



I am so grateful for all of your prayers, well wishes, cards, gifts and visits. My recover was all the more speedy because of your kindness. Heartfelt thanks.

Nodlaig Foran

Lucan Drama

We are delighted to be up and running again with 2 exciting One-Act plays for the Festival in October. Lucan has won many prestigious awards in this competition over the years.



The first of these is entitled **A Kind of Vesuvius** by **Gillian Plowman**, directed by the very experienced and capable Carol Ryan. The second One-A will be directed by the well-known and talented Vincent Casey. More on this anon.

Dates for your diary

Auditions for A Kind of Vesuvius by Gillian Plowman, **Wednesday, September 8th at 7.30pm.**

3 Male Roles

A.G.M. provisionally booked for 19th October.

Hillcrest Residents Assoc.

Why not join Hillcrest Residents' Association for their monthly **Litter Pick this Saturday 4 September at 11am**. Join us as we gather at Hillcrest Football pitch, top of Hillcrest Heights before spreading out around the estate.

Let's ensure our Estate is looking her best. Your help in keeping Hillcrest a welcoming, clean, tidy and pleasant place to live and enjoy is greatly appreciated.

Let's keep up the good work and keep smiling 😊.
Maria, Rita, Anne, Anna, Nuala, Bernie, Trish, Don, Liam, Phil & Tom.



Thank you to all the acts that submitted videos for our Highdrop virtual festival which took place last Friday night and to everyone who tuned in on 96.4FM or on Facebook Live. And finally thank you to everyone who kindly donated. The go fund me link is on our website and you can still donate, if you donate more than 10 euro, you will be entered into a draw for a spot prize.

Liffey Sound 96.4FM - Lucan's Community Radio Station

www.liffeysoundfm.ie or catch up on Facebook

Parish Notes

St Mary's, Lucan

www.lucanparish.com



**As we go to press our
Parishes await instructions
from the Diocese as to how
to implement the new
Government Guidelines.**

**Each parish website should
be updated during the
coming week.**

Sunday Mass Times:

Saturday Vigils: 5pm and 6.45pm

Sunday: 8.45am, 10.30pm, 12.15pm and 7pm.

Notice:

We ask those who have already booked Masses for the weekends to please phone the Sacristy 01 6281487 and check whether the time of their Mass is different due to changes in Sunday Mass times.

Weekday Masses:

Monday to Saturday 10am

**All Masses will continue to be live-streamed on
www.lucanparish.com**

Our churches are open for Public Masses. While number will continue to be restricted and social distancing enforced it does mean that in St Mary's we can have a maximum of **69** people in attendance for Masses.

There are 27 places on the individual chairs (11 as you enter from the porch, 12 at the Sacristy side and 4 at the front of the altar.) **There are then 42 in the pews.**

There can be no movement between these two areas. Each area will have separate entrances and exits.

Admission to all Masses will be on a first-come-first-served basis. Enter at the main porch door, maintaining social distance at all times. We rely on your understanding to make this work. Masks must be worn.

Private Prayer:

The Church is open daily for private prayer on weekdays from 10.30am to 6pm (funerals permitting) and on Sundays after the 12.15pm Mass to 6pm. Please enter by the Main Porch Door and exit by the side door (near the Nuns' Chapel).

Praying with Scripture:

Praying with scripture will recommence via zoom from **Tuesday 14th September**. If interested please contact Cheryl Murphy at 086 8343754 to register.

St. Mary's Readers' Roster September:

The roster for readers at the Saturday Vigil and Sunday Masses for the month of September 2021 was sent to all readers by email on 23rd August. If any reader has not received it a copy is available for inspection in the sacristy.

Baptisms:

New Government guidelines permit Baptisms. Dates are bookable online to the end of October. Dates will be added as the need arises. If you need to cancel a booking contact: secretary@lucanparish.com

Visits to the housebound:

If the housebound person has been fully vaccinated and at least two weeks have elapsed since the second dose, either Fr. Tom or Fr Philip and/or any ministers of the Eucharist who are also fully vaccinated can call once again. As a precaution we will wear face coverings and ask those to whom we are calling to do the same. If you are housebound and are not already on the list you can call Deirdre at the parish office (01 621 7041) we will be happy to call on a monthly basis.

Confessions – Nuns' Chapel:

Monday and Wednesday after 10am Mass
Saturday after the 10am and 5pm Masses

Deepest Sympathy to the husband,
family and friends of **Deirdre
Byrne**, Beech Park.
May she rest in peace.



Quote: And the sun took a step back, the leaves lulled themselves to sleep and Autumn was awakened.
Raquel Franco

St. Patrick's Esker/Doddsboro /Adamstown

www.stpatrickslucan.ie

Sunday Masses:

Vigil Saturday 7pm, Sunday: 9am,
and 12 noon.

10.30am Family Mass – live streamed only This online Mass is aimed at younger parishioners and their families; it is an accessible liturgy for children and enables them to participate more fully in the Sunday Mass.

Weekday Masses:

Monday to Friday at 10am.
Numbers continue to be restricted to **50 people** in the church building. Admission will be on a first-come first-serve basis

For Sunday Masses only:

When capacity is reached parishioners can remain in their cars in the car park behind the church and receive communion.

All Masses are streamed live on the Parish You Tube channel

Confessions:

Confessions can be requested after Mass. The confession box is not to be used. However, a space that respects open privacy is available in the Church to receive the Sacrament.

Private Prayer: Church can continue to be accessed daily for private prayer. Access is through the **side door at the bell tower** 10.30am and 12.30pm

View the following on www.stpatrickslucan.ie

Mass Readings for the week
Morning Prayer – Lauds
Evening Prayer – Vespers
Take five at 10 - Reflections–Weekdays: 10am
Taizé – Watch and Pray



Divine Mercy, Lucan South

www.lucansouthparish.net

New Contact Details:

Fr Ubaldo Muhindo 01 4056858
Parish Office: Monday- Friday: 9.45am – 1pm
Tel: 01 4572900
E-mail: lucansouthparish@gmail.com

Sunday Mass Times:

Saturday Vigil 6:30pm,
Sunday 10:15am and 12:15pm

Weekday Masses:

Monday to Friday 9:15am. Saturday 10am
Admission will be in a first-come first-serve basis to a max of 50 people
Follow the instructions of the Church stewards – they have purple hi-vis vests so easily recognized.
All Masses will be livestreamed on
www.lucansouthparish.net

Private Prayer:

The Faustina Chapel is open for private prayer from 10am to 12 noon Monday to Friday.

St. Andrew's Church of Ireland

St Andrew's: Sunday 10am. **Wednesday:** 10am
St Mary's: Sunday: 11.30am. **Tuesday:** 10am

Numbers limited to **50**. Please follow the directions of the Church Wardens.

Bookings for both church services can be made at bookleixlip@gmail.com, please indicate which service you are booking for and the number of people.

Services are available on our parish Facebook pages: [St. Andrew's Church, Lucan](#) or [St Mary's Church, Leixlip](#)

Lucan Presbyterian Church

Morning Worship: 11am. (Maximum 30 people)

Reserve a place for church services: You can either register via our simple online booking form or give us a call on 0858231123. There will be 2 spaces available for anyone who drops in. But these will be offered on a first come, first served basis.

You will need a face covering (unless exempt) and your own Bible.

Services will be streamed online and available on Youtube?

As we go to press we have not yet received updates from each Church re new Government Guidelines.

Please check each website for updates during the coming week.

Anniversaries

BYRNE (JACKIE)

23rd Anniversary

Late Sarsfield Park.

When you lose someone special

You never really part

For all the precious memories

Stay within your heart.

*So sadly missed by Triona, Barney, Conor, Liam,
John and Aine*



CARROLL (NED)

6th Anniversary

Never forgotten.

*Lovingly remembered by Monica, children and
grandchildren*

**Anniversary Mass, Saturday 18th September at
6.45pm.**

KEANE (OLLIE)

10th Anniversary

Late Airlie Heights and Mill Bank.

No special day is needed

For us to think of you

For you are someone special

We thought the world of you.

*Sadly missed, Barney, Triona, Conor, Liam, Aine
and Joe*

Birthday Remembrance

LALLY (MAUREEN)

30th August

Birthday remembrance of a loving mother and
grandmother on her birthday.

I close my eyes

And see your face

Smiling at me

From a beautiful place.

You are never far away

And that we will meet again someday

I ask if you could stay awhile

I miss your laugh, I miss your smile

Then you whisper sweetly into my ear

I never leave you, I'm always here.

*Sadly missed by your loving daughter Debbie,
son-in-law Peter and granddaughters - Niamh,
Karla and Aine xxx*



Medjugorje Mass

Schedule: September – December

St. Mary's Church, Lucan

Rosary: 5.45pm,

Holy Mass: 6.15pm

13th September

11th October

15th November

13th December

To reserve a seat:

Call Pat at 087 223 8911

Mass also live at lucanparish.com



Anam Cara would like to invite you to join
an **online** Bereavement Information and Support
Evening taking place 16th September at 7pm. This
event will give you an opportunity to hear a
bereavement professional talk about the difficult
challenges and many milestones grieving a child
of any age has on you and your family.

If you would like to join us please register
here <https://bit.ly/3Dzyphc> or contact us
on info@anamcara.ie or 085 288 8888

The Clock

The clock of life is wound but once
And no man has the power
To tell just where the hands will stop
At late or early hour
To lose one's wealth is sad indeed
To lose one's health is more
To lose one's soul is such a loss
As no man can restore
The present only is our own
Live, love, toil with a will
Place no faith in "tomorrow"
For the clock may then be still.



Getting back to our routines once again, after a pretty good summer weather-wise.

We were blessed with beautiful weather this past week, and a walk in any direction will show that things are still looking good around Lucan – in no small way due to our Tidy Towns group, and SDCC Parks Dept.



Blooming good walk! A ramble in the Esker area finds these wild flowers still blooming well, and there are even a few Sunflowers popping up this week. It's brilliant that they are lasting so long.

The nearby Millennium Stone is looking a bit miserable – while the Elm trees around it look good and healthy, the stone itself could do with a bit of TLC, and perhaps restoring the colours to the graphic and inscription.

St. Finian's Burial Ground – A tremendous amount of work has been done in preserving the ruins here, but it is very disheartening to see cans and crisp bags strewn on this consecrated ground. A little respect please!

Getting back to our routines in more ways than one now that we have a roadmap for the opening up of things. The national media has all those important dates, and there is a lot to take in. However, at the end of the day, it is up to each one of us to act responsibly.

Leaving Cert Results – By the time most people read this week's issue, the results will be known. Congratulations to all, and if you didn't get what you wanted, don't despair – there will be lots of other options. There is always light at the end of the tunnel!

Foothpath Repairs: It certainly is very bad timing carrying out repairs to the footpath on Chapel Hill, after having 8 weeks of school holidays to do so. Who decided on that?



Liffey Descent – We hear that the Liffey Descent canoe races will go ahead this year, on Saturday next, **11th September**. Well worth bringing the kids down to the weir on the day.

Our Paralympians are doing themselves proud in Tokyo! Modern day heroes and heroines taking on such great challenges, on top of those already faced, are to be highly respected! Well done to all!

Dubs Ladies take on Meath in the All Ireland Football Final this Sunday – Here's hoping they can make it 5-in-row!



Tyrone certainly surprised everyone in last weekend's men's semi-final, by trouncing the Kingdom! Strange days in GAA! Who will come out on top next weekend – Tyrone or Mayo?

What about our Boys in Green in Portugal on



Wednesday night last! You'd have to feel sorry for them after playing their hearts out. We might not qualify for this tournament, but we should have a brilliant squad ready for the next one!

We wish Fr. Joe Poole all the best in his newest ministry in Portugal. Hopefully we will see him back at Mass in St. Mary's at some stage.

Great to see Nodlaig and Mary back on their feet again. You'll be taking part in a marathon next!

Storm Names 2021 – 2022

The Irish, UK and Netherlands Met Offices got together to decide on the names of the coming storms: Arwen, Barra, Corrie,

Dudley, Eunice, Franklin, Gladys, Herman, Imani, Jack, Kim, Logan, **Méabh**, Nasim, Olwen, **Pól**, Ruby, **Seán**, Tineke, Virgil, Willemien – 3 very Irish names in there!





CHOOOL NEWS



Lucan Community College

Staff Team-Building: Our staff team returned to the college last week to meet and plan for the year ahead. They also took part in a Teamworks team-building activity session where plenty of imagination and creativity was evident in solving the various puzzles and challenges. A particular welcome to those who are joining our team for the first time this year.

Results Time: Wishing all of our 6th year students every success as they receive their LC and LCA results and await offers of courses for the coming year. We are so proud of everything they achieved during a very challenging year.

Student Induction Reminders: While we hope that this year will be a more normal one for all of our students and we hope to start up most of our extra-curricular activities shortly, each member of our school community was reminded that they are personally responsible for following the health protocols in place for our safety. Parents and students can find out more about the appropriate actions to take to keep everyone safe on gov.ie/backtoschool



Welcome 1st years: Our 1st year students started with us on Monday last and received a great welcome from their Year Head Ms Brady, Link DP Ms Malone, tutor team and school prefects. They were reminded of our school motto Aontas/Unity and were assigned journals and lockers. We look forward to accompanying them on their secondary school journey over the next 6th years.

Induction Day 2 for 1st Year Students kicked off with a digital literacy session, led by our 5th Year student Digital Leaders and supported by 1st Year

Class Tutors. The aim of this session was to empower our 1st Year students to connect digitally with the wider Lucan CC community. Students also engaged in a range of fun activities like "Get to know me" Bingo and "5 Things about me" to help them to make develop new relationships, and feel connected to their new classmates. Thanks to their Tutors, the Student Digital Leaders and Mr. McGowan, Lucan CC Digital Lead, for supporting these activities

Second Year news: We welcome back our students who graduated last May 2021 from First year – classes Elm, Willow, Rowan, Sycamore, Oak and Cedar - and who now commence their second year with us in Lucan Community College. It is an exciting time for everyone. We trust that you will continue to be the respectful, responsible and resilient young people that you are. We hope that you will be refreshed and ready to learn and enjoy the second year of your journey with us.

Let's celebrate our 30th German Exchange-Virtually - with Gymnasium Münchenberg!

This year due to Covid-19, we are unable to host plus travel to Germany as part of our German Exchange programme. We



communicated with our friends in Germany and decided to participate in a Virtual Exchange. Part one will take place in October, in Lucan CC when we will virtually host various activities. On Tuesday 5th October we will have an opening ceremony in our college and our students' exchange partners in Germany will link in with us via Teams/virtually. It will be different but we will make the most of it.

Our German department along with other teachers from other departments have put together an action-packed programme of events which will be virtually undertaken by our Irish and German students, for example, Music, Cookery/Baking, History & Geography, GAA sport, Irish dancing and Art.

Part two of the exchange will take place in February, when Gymnasium Münchenberg will virtually host and indulge us with exciting activities and cultural events. It is an opportunity for us to speak German and experience some German culture and learn about various customs and traditions. Twenty Irish students from 4th and 5th year will partake and be partnered with twenty German students. It will be an exciting adventure and we hope that it will be an event to be cherished. More news on this will appear in our next newsletter.

Best of luck to all involved - Viel Glück!!

St. Joseph's College

We were delighted to welcome all of our new and returning students and staff after the summer break. A very special welcome goes out to all of our incoming first year students and their parents/guardians; we wish each of you a happy year ahead. First year parents are encouraged to download our school App, to keep up to date with school news, dates and announcements; details can be found on our website.

Students and teachers are still adhering to social distancing guidelines. All students and staff are wearing face coverings. Students and staff record their temperature every morning when entering the building. Students are encouraged to take their lunch breaks outside in the fresh air. We would like to thank all of the parents and students in our school community for their very positive approach in getting through the previous school year.

New Deputy Principal: Congratulations to Ms Butler who has been appointed as third deputy principal in St Joseph's College!



Transition Year Induction: Our Transition Year students had their first day of the term on Wednesday. Wearing their senior navy school uniforms, they looked fabulous! They had a day of Induction, hosted by Transition Year Co-ordinator and Deputy Principal Ms Butler and 4th Year Head Ms Finlay and aided by the six TY tutors. The day included some fun ice-breaker games. We have a fabulously rewarding Transition Year program in St Joseph's College and we look forward to seeing our Transition year students grow over the coming year.

Leaving Certificate 2021: Best wishes to all of our Leaving Cert 2021 students who will be receiving their examination results on Friday! We will be thinking of you all!

St Joseph's College

is seeking to recruit a
Part time Home Economics teacher

May suit a retired teacher or a person with relevant transferable skills and experience (such as chef, catering. Baking etc).

Expressions of interest and CV
should be emailed to the
Principal at
stjosephslucan@gmail.com

A huge thank you to our **Parents' Association** for their ongoing support of the school in so many ways. The picnic benches which many students

are now using to get outside during break, lunchtime and class times were kindly organised by the Parents' Association. The Parents' Association AGM is planned for October. Date and location will be confirmed at a later date.

Below: Team building activities during TY Induction Day



St. Mary's Camera Soirée

Well last week certainly made up for what had been a rather miserable August until then, with temperatures in the mid-20s during the day. But it did turn a bit nippy in the evenings.

Our photographers took advantage of the fine weather with Paddy submitting photographs from Connemara, Irene submitting some from Glendalough and Willie submitting some from Mount Usher Gardens in county Wicklow. As usual Conor was communing with nature and submitted some lovely photos of birds at sunset, seals playing and butterflies feasting.



Cont'd over



After a year and a half, we had the first photos from abroad. Anna submitted photos from Netherlands where she was finally able to visit her son. Apart from interesting V shaped trees she produced evidence of her intention to do some serious shopping with a “shopping trolley” that far exceeded the height of her son. Retail therapy with a vengeance!

With the recent announcement of further relaxations in the COVID restriction in the coming weeks and the virtual abolition of virtually all of them before the end of October we will have to see if there is a desire amongst the members of the group to meet indoors in the near future. On the few occasions that we have met in the open air this wish has been expressed by some members of the Soiree. While WhatsApp and our Friday morning on-line meetings have helped the group to stay in touch it is far less satisfactory than from face-to-face interaction. It

goes without saying that everybody in the group and the management of the Parish centre would have to be happy with how and when to proceed. We will wait and see what happens.



Till next week stay safe!



Lucan Library

Sustainable Energy Communities Information Seminar - Wednesday Sept 15, 6pm

Find out about sustainable energy solutions for homes, schools, businesses and communities at this free online workshop!

This workshop will explain how Sustainable Energy Communities (SEC) can help the citizens of South Dublin County identify sustainable energy solutions in our homes, schools, businesses, and communities. In this workshop you will hear from South Dublin County mentor Raoul Empey who will give an overview of setting up an SEC and there will be plenty of opportunities to network and ask questions. The workshop will be held online using Zoom. You can book your place here:

<https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/sustainable-energy-communities-information-seminar-tickets-166969711903>

A Pre-Culture Night Talk. 'Verdi, Wagner and the politics of music'. 16th September at 7.30pm

Join the ever-popular Ted Courtney for this zoom talk on Verdi and Wagner and set yourself up in culture mode for the day ahead. Both composers were born in 1813. Both men are poles apart when it comes to opera, but not so when it comes to money and politics. Ted will talk through their eventful lives and their superb music. Booking through Eventbrite. This is an online event.



Beginners Irish Language Classes for Adults Wednesday 15th September – Wednesday 20th October 7-8 pm

Booking at lucanlibrarydublin.eventbrite.ie Did you learn Irish in school? Or are you a total beginner? Get (re) started on the language with our classes for adults.

About this event. (Re) start Irish with our 6 week class for adults. Whether you learned in school and would like to get back to the basics or you're a total beginner, our fun online class will get you (re) started. A six week course given by Patricia Fogarty.

Please Note: 1 ticket for all 6 classes. 1 participant per device. A valid email address is required. Zoom links to the event will be emailed to the supplied address by the facilitator.

Marian Pilgrimages

Marian Pilgrimages have released their pilgrimage schedule for 2021 and 2022 to Lourdes, Medjugorje, Fatima, Italy and Holy Land. For more information or to register your interest please visit www.marian.ie or ring Marian Pilgrimages on (01) 878 8159.

Pilgrimage to Medjugorje Departs 13th October 2021

Dublin to Mostar, Mostar Airport is only 30 minutes from Medjugorje

7 nights: €695 pps (insurance included)

9 nights: €755 pps (insurance included)

Terms and conditions apply

Professional Guide – Spiritual Director

Tour Operator: Marian Pilgrimages –

Fully Bonded – Fully Licensed

Contact: Pat 087 2238911

Departing and returning tests required in absence of Covid passport. **Pilgrims must arrange and pay for those tests separately.**

A Covid test centre has been opened beside the First Aid Centre in Medjugorje to facilitate people needing a test before returning home.

For more information regarding Pilgrimages and Monthly Medjugorje Mass visit facebook page: Medjugorje Mass Lucan

Tour of Holy Island

The tour starts with a mini-bus leaving the Ring of Lough Derg Tourist Office in Killaloe (County Clare) at 12.30pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Then by boat from Mountshannon.

Tour of the island by the one and only Ger Madden. (a very experienced local guide) drives a boat to and from the Holy Island.

Return to Flanagan's on the lake for a late lunch

Tour and lunch €40.00

"Just remember, your bible is like a telescope - it's not meant to be looked at, but, rather looked through!"

Mark Hart



Cumann na Sáirséalaigh Leamhcáin

Congratulations to Lucan Sarsfields Minor B Hurlers, winners of the 2021 Division 4 Minor Hurling League., following their win over Kevin's last Sunday, thanks to sponsor Keelings and also to Suir Engineering. Both our U16 Ladies Football teams got off to positive starts in the championship as did the 15A and 14A's. For the first time on Monday evening, Lucan Sarsfields had four Minor Ladies Football teams in championship action, with good wins for the B's and D's. On Tuesday the Camogie Junior 3's and 4's both recorded wins. All results and fixtures are on the website.



The Dublin Senior Hurling Championship gets underway on this Sunday, September 5th when Lucan take on Setanta at 2pm in O'Toole Park. Best of Luck to all

Best of Luck to the Dublin Ladies Football senior team and our own Paul Casey and Abby Shiels in the All Ireland Final as they bid for 5-in-a-row against Meath on Sunday.

Commiserations to John O'Connell and the Dublin Minor Camogie team who were pipped at the post by Cork in the Tesco All-Ireland Camogie Semi-Finals, and to our six representatives, Millie Reid, Sinead Daly, Phoebe Shannon, Hannah Gibbs, Clíodhna Ní Bhuachalla, and Sophie McIntyre.

The Club Shop is open Thursdays 7-9pm and Saturdays (from September 4th) 10am to 1pm.



A MESSAGE FROM SDCC - Please note that the carpark at Griffeen park is closed for upgrading and expanding as part of the construction of the new Lucan swimming pool. I wish to remind you that no club has permission to park cars or allow visiting teams park their cars on green open spaces or to inconvenience residents within the area. The allocation of Pitches/Sporting Facilities Policy and Conditions clearly states the following; Where car parks have been provided, clubs must ensure that both their members and the visiting teams avail of these facilities. Where no car park is provided, clubs must ensure that all cars are parked so as to minimize inconvenience to adjoining residents and to avoid unnecessary complaints and nuisance to owners and occupiers of surrounding properties. It will also be the responsibility of the club to ensure that visiting teams are fully aware of and respect the parking agreements.

As part of its new Green Clubs programme, the GAA, in collaboration with the Regional Waste Management Authority and Irish Water, recently launched an initiative to eliminate single-use plastic bottles from Gaelic Games clubs and grounds. Lucan Sarsfields GAA club in Dublin were joined by An Uachtarán CLG, Larry McCarthy, in Croke Park to launch the 'Puc Single-Use' initiative. The club is amongst 45 clubs in Ireland taking part in the pilot Green Clubs programme. Waste is one of five thematic areas being explored by participating clubs, along with water, biodiversity, energy, and transport. Club GPO, David Moran, was able to give some of the campers at the recent football camp a reusable water bottle from Irish Water. This is as part of our Green Club project and our commitment to reducing waste, eliminating single use water bottles and encouraging good habits. The kids can bring their bottle to training and matches and fill it at the outdoor tap at the dressing rooms. We should all follow their lead and ditch single use plastic! *Cont'd over.....*

LUCAN SARSFIELDS *cont'd*



The LDCU Academy returns on Saturday 4 September for boys and girls aged between 4 and 7. See our website for booking details.



12th Lock Café is open from 6pm-8pm weekdays and Saturday 9am-2pm when training is taking place.

The Club Shop is open Thursdays 7-9pm and Saturdays (from September 4th) 10am to 1pm.

Lucan Sarsfields GAA Club Lotto Jackpot €13,800

There was no winner of the Club Lotto Jackpot of €13,400 held on August 26, 2021.

The numbers drawn were: **5, 10, 16, 21.**

The Lucky Dip winners of €30 each: Don Crowley, Oliver Byrne, Martin Kelly, Peter Somers, Columba Elliot.

The Jackpot for the next draw, to be held on Thursday 2nd September, is **€13,800**, and is sponsored by: **Henley Forklift Group**. The draw managed by Seamus Clandillon, will be held in the Club house, at 9pm and live streamed on our Facebook page. Tickets can be purchased via the website, ClubForce APP or at the following link:

<http://bit.ly/LucanSarsfieldsClubLotto>.

Go raibh míle maith agaibh as ucht tacú le Na Sárséalaigh Leamhcáin.



Na Gaeil Óga CLG

Fáilte chuig an Nuachtlitir is déanaí ó Na Gaeil Óga, áit a bhfaighidh tú an t-eolas is déanaí faoi gach rud atá ag tarlú inár bpobal bríomhar.

Oifigeach Forbartha Cluichí

Ceapadh Ailbhe Ní Riain mar Oifigeach Forbartha Cluichí le déanaí. Is múinteoir bunscoile cáilithe í Ailbhe a d'fhás aníos i Leamhcán. D'imir sí camógaíocht ag gach leibhéal le Baile Átha Cliath agus tá sí ag plé le cóitséail foirne ó aois an-óg. Tá máistreacht aici san Oideachas Ionchuimsitheach agus ceann eile idir lámha aici i latháir na huaire sa Siceolaíocht Spóirt.

Ailbhe Ní Riain has recently taken on the role of Games Development Officer. Ailbhe is a qualified primary school teacher who grew up in Lucan. Ailbhe played camogie at every level with Dublin and also trains underage teams. She has a Masters degree in inclusive education and is currently undertaking another Masters in Sports Psychology.

Acadamh

Beidh an tAcadamh ag filleadh ar an Satharn 28ú Lúnasa ag Gaelscoil Naomh Pádraig, Leamhcán.

The Academy will be returning on Saturday 28th August at Gaelscoil Naomh Pádraig, Lucan.

10am-11am - 2016/2017

11am-12pm - 2015

Traenáil faoi aois

Tá cluichí faoi aois ar ais faoi lán-seoil. Ádh mór ar gach duine!

Underage games are taking place again, good luck to everyone!



LAWN BOWLS LAUNCH

We're delighted to announce the launch of our Lawn Bowls facility at the **ACRE Project**, Maynooth Road, Celbridge.

We are having an open day on Saturday 4th September from 11am to 2pm. We'll have bowling experts on to show us all how it's done! We'd love to see you there.

DODSBORO GOLFERS OUTING

Lucan Golf Club 27th August 2021

Members

1 st John O Sullivan	43 Points
2 nd Martin O Sullivan	42 Points.
3 rd Michael Rankin	37 Points. BB9
4 th Jimmy Henry	37 Points.
5 th Mark Henry	36 Points.
6 th Oliver Tutty	36 Points.
7 th Martin Curtis	35 Points.
8 th Niall Rankin	33 Points. BB9
9 th Joe Curtis	33 Points. BB9
10 th Fran Corrigan	33 Points.
11 th Brian Croke	32 Points.
12 th Larry Weldon	30 Points. BB9
13 th Robbie Cullen	30 Points.
14 th Pat O Toole	29 Points
15 th Martin O Reilly	28 Points
16 th John Thompson	26 Points

Visitors

1 st Eddie McCrory	43 Points.
2 nd David Harding	40 Points.
3 rd Kevin Fitsmaurice	36 Points. BB9
4 th Kevin Richmond	36 Points. BB9
5 th Tom Kenny	36 Points.
6 th Tony Dempsey (Jnr)	35 Points. BB9
7 th Iphithule Mwanga	35 Points. BB9
8 th Mark Sheehan	34 Points.
9 th Gerry Light	33 Points.
10 th Pat Flannery	32 Points. BB9
11 th Stuart Clarke	32 Points. BB9
12 th David Byrne	32 Points.
13 th Brian Mullarkey	31 Points. BB9
14 th Victor Olaoya	31 Points
15 th Michael Duffy	30 Points
16 th Pat McHenry	29 Points

Nearest The Pin: Ronan Allen

Longest Drive: Conor Curtis.
55 Played.



A wonderful day had by all and a big thank you to Lucan Golf Club.

"Happiness lies in the joy of achievement and the thrill of creative effort."

Franklin D Roosevelt

POLITICAN NOTES

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Roadmap for Reopening: Thanks to a world-class vaccine programme and the sacrifices and cooperation of the Irish people, government have issued the next steps to easing restrictions.

From September 6th resumption of communions and confirmations, live music at weddings, religious services (50%), theatre and music (indoors 60%, outdoors 75%)

From September 20th return to the workplace on phased basis. Indoor drama and dance, indoor sports, bowling, arcades, bingo halls return.

From October 22 remaining Covid restrictions lifted - face masks to remain in certain settings. Subject to reaching 90% vaccination target and virus stability.

More info at gov.ie/covid19

Back to School: Very best wishes to all the pupils, teachers and wider schools teams who started back this week.

Good luck to Leaving Cert students who receive results on Fri 3rd. Helpline will be open from 11am 1800 265 165.



Leixlip and Lucan Parishes in the Church of Ireland Diocese of Glendalough

Church of Ireland Parish Centre

at

**St Andrew's Church,
Main Street, Lucan**

We have a few vacant times in our main sports hall if you or your organisation would be interested in renting.

We offer competitive hourly rates to Adult and Youth Groups.

There are also vacant slots in our General Purpose Room which is suitable for smaller groups or meetings.

Please contact

leixlipunionparishoffice@gmail.com for more information

Badminton Players in the Lucania Hall in the late 1930s.

The Lucania Hall where the Circle K service station stands today, was formerly a Tram Shed. When the trams ceased coming to Lucan in the early 1900s, the great galvanised shed became The Lucania Hall, and lent itself to badminton and dancing. People came from all over the place, mostly on their bicycles, to dance the night away. The venue, renowned for its maple dance floor, was very popular with the soldiers from Baldonnell.

Our photo shows members of the Badminton Club. The gentleman on the left was Eddie Tuohy, from Rusheen House (*across the road from AIB*). His mother was a former school teacher, and Eddie later became a doctor in England. Beside him is Edmund O'Neill, who had a grocery shop on Main Street, where Taste Buds Bistro is today.

Of the ladies, the first two from the left came from Clondalkin, names unknown, and beside them on the right is Eva Behan – note the 'E' on her dress.



Eva lived on Dispensary Lane – the short stretch between the Muintir na Tire Hall and the Lucan Clinics (*known locally as The Dispensary*). Her cousin, the late Kathleen Moffett, who lived with the family following her own mother's death in 1929, recalled listening to "all the lovely music when bands were playing at dances in the hall".

And here's a strange one!

Kathleen wrote: "For several years during the 1930s, the kitchen served as the Social Welfare Office for Lucan! The Relieving Officer (a Mr. Fred Jacob from Clondalkin), sat in the kitchen for a couple of hours on Thursday mornings and handed out Sickness Benefit etc, to any of the locals who were entitled to same."

There were three houses on Dispensary Lane at that time, and some thirty years later, when Sarsfield Park was built, the occupants of all three would move to the first three houses in the brand new estate. Shortly afterwards, the old homes were demolished.

Another event at The Lucania!

Spa Rovers celebrated winning the Cregan Cup in 1939.

L-R: Mrs. Cully, John Kane, Larry Cully, Billy Malone, Lucy Behan, Bill Mahady and Tommy Behan.

The Club was formerly known as Lucan United, but got into a fight and were barred from the league forever in 1940, so hence the change of name to Spa Rovers.

