

Christmas concert in St Fiacc's Hall

Graiguercullen/Killeshin

A Christmas concert in aid of St Fiacc's House is on 20 December at 8pm in St Fiacc's Hall, Graiguercullen. This is the last concert of Fr Liam Lawton's present tour and he will be joined by local choirs. Tickets cost €25.

FIRST FRIDAY
There will be no penitential service at the 10am Mass in St Clare's. Penitential services for advent will be celebrated at all masses on weekend of 12 and 13 December.

CHRISTMAS ITEMS
Mass bouquets are available at the parish centre in Graiguercullen at €4 each which includes a €3 donation to charity. All intentions will be included in all our Christmas masses. Also good quality non-signed Christmas cards at €1 each or seven for €5 or a box of 18 cards for €5.

Candles, cribs, statues, calendars, children's Christmas story books, Fr. Liam Lawton's Christmas CD and many other Christmas items are also available. Parish centre shop will be opened each Saturday morning from 10am to 1pm. This is an addition to normal working hours.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT
The Bolton School of Music Christmas concert is in Oisín Park on Sunday 6 December from 2 to 6pm with proceeds going to top Mag's Leg Fund. The school's Christmas Fair is on Sunday 13 December and orders are being taken now for trees, hampers and wreaths. If you wish to have a stall at the fair,

contact Vonnie on 086 3629516 or 059 9141888.

SLEATY GIRL GUIDES
Sleaty Girl Guides will celebrate 30 years in Graiguercullen Parish Centre on Thursday 17 December from 7.30 to 9pm. Refreshments will be served and past and present leaders and guides are very welcome.

HOLY LAND REUNION
A reunion of all who travelled to the Holy Land recently will take place today Wednesday 2 December 02 at 8pm in Parish Centre.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS COURSE
A course for new Eucharistic Ministers will start on Monday December 14 at 8pm in Parish Centre, Graiguercullen. Anyone wishing to become a eucharistic minister please leave his or her name and contact number into the Parish Centre, Graiguercullen. Phone: 059 9141833.

BARROW VALLEY ART GROUP
The Barrow Valley Art Group's Christmas exhibition in the county library in Tulloo Street runs from Friday 4 December during normal library opening hours.

CAROL SERVICE
Carlow Area Guides and Scouts Annual Carol Service takes place in St Clare's Church, Graiguercullen on Friday 4 December at 7.30pm. All very welcome to attend.

LOURDES INVALID FUND
A huge thanks to Ned Hayden who recently ran the Dublin City Marathon for the first time. Not only is this a great achievement in itself but Ned raised €1,870 for the Graiguercullen/Killeshin Lourdes Invalid Fund which is just a fantastic boost to the fund. Many thanks.

NIGHT VIGIL
There is a bus going to Knock for the night vigil on 7 December. For times and further details please

phone Anne 059 9133840.

ST FIACC'S HOUSE
St. Fiacc's House Annual Draw takes place on Monday 14 December 14. Cards are available at St Fiacc's House and new promoters are welcome.

EXTRA CONCERT DATE
Paul Hennessy's *Home for Christmas* will be held on 12 December 12 GB Shaw Theatre. Proceeds go to the Save Joy Campaign, setup to highlight the shortage of ICU beds in Our Lady's Children's Hospital, Crumlin. Tickets are €20.

FRIENDS OF DISTRICT HOSPITAL
The Christmas draw is on 21 December. Tickets are available from committee members or at the hospital. The Friends would like to thank everyone who has supported them in the past.

ST. FIACC'S FC LOTTO
The bonus number is 45. There was no winner.

GRAIGUECULLEN COMMUNITY
Games U12s Football training in St Fiacc's Hall is on Wednesday nights from 7 to 8pm at a cost of just €1.

KILLESHIN GAA
This week's numbers were 7, 12, 24, and 30. There was no winner. Cash prizes were won by the following, Mary Woods, Rhys Grehan, Patrice Brennan, Derbhla Kennedy, and c/o Shop. 2010 Club Calendars will be available soon.

GRAIGUECULLEN GFC
The lotto numbers drawn were 3, 5, 9 and 25 and there was neither winner of the jackpot or of Match Three. The five lucky dips who won €40 were: Ben Hovenden, Tomas Brett, Kathleen Power, Sean Harte, and Jessica Nolan.

POKER CLASSIC
An original Five Card Draw will take place in Graiguercullen Clubhouse Sunday next 6 December at 7pm. The entry fee is €50.



Dreoilín Cheatharlach

Gaeilge le Chéile na Nollag

IS nós ársa traidisiúnta é An Dreoilín. Is cuid tábhachtach é dár gcultúr agus dár n-oidhreacht. Titeann Lá an Dreoilín ar Lá le Stíofán, an 26ú Nollaig, agus ar an lá áirithe seo gléasann daoine idir óg agus fásta suas le haghaidheanna fíidil agus balcaisí agus tuí agus téann siad timpeall ó teach go teach ag canadh, ag seinm ceoil agus ag damhsa. Is iontach an radharc a bhíonn le feiceáil agus is iontach an fháilte a cuirtear roimh An Dreoilín. Bailítear airgead ar an síl ar son carthanachtaí éagsúla agus bíonn daoine fíal flaitiúil i gcónaí. Is in iarthar na tíre is treise atá nós an dreoilín go háirithe sa Daingean, i Lios Tuathail agus i mbaile áirithe i gContae an Chláir. Deineadh aiséirí ar An Dreoilín i gCeatharlach sa bhliain 2004 agus tá sé ag dul ó neart go neart ó shin i leith. Eagraithe ag Glór Cheatharlach i gcomhair le Rinceoirí Seite na Dolmaine, tá breis is €15,000 bailithe do charthanachtaí éagsúla le sé bliana anuas. Tá gach rud in ord is in eagar arís i

mblíana agus chun cur leis an bpoiblíocht cuirfead Dreoilín Cheatharlach i láthair an phobail i Siopalann Fairgreen ar an dá Dhomhnach roimh Nollaig. Roinnfear teacht isteach uile na bliana seo idir Ospóis Cheatharlach agus Ionad Chúraim Lae Easca. Cuirfead fáilte mhór roimh lucht féachana agus sintiúis i Siopalann Fairgreen ar an Domhnach, 13ú Nollaig agus arís ar an Domhnach, 20ú Nollaig. Beidh ceol, amhránaíocht agus rince seite den scoth ar siúl ó mheánlae go dtí a trí a chlog tráthnóna. Beidh An Dreoilín amuigh i gCeatharlach ar Lá le Stíofán ag tosú ag 4:00 san iarnóin in Ospidéal an Chroí Ró Naofa agus ag casadh le daoine ar na sráideanna agus ag tabhairt cuirteanna ar na tithe tábhairne chomh maith. Sea go deimhin, is iontach an nós é An Dreoilín agus is fíú é a thabhairt ar aghaidh don chéad ghluin eile. Iarrtar ar gach éinne a bheith páirteach an Nollaig seo. Is bealach iontach é chun Spiorad na Nollaig a chothú agus a roinnt le chéile. Bí ann agus fáilte.

Tugtar céad míle fáilte chuig Gaeilge le Chéile na Nollaig anocht, Dé Céadaoin, 2ú Nollaig ag 9:00n. i dteach tábhairne Reddys, Sráid an Tulaigh, Ceatharlach. Iarrtar ar lucht labhartha na Gaeilge uile sa cheantar, idir fhoghlaiméoirí agus cáinteoirí líofa, iarracht an-speisialta a dhéanamh chun a bheith i láthair. Cuir tús le seásúr na Nollaig trí bhéannachtaí na féile a ghluáil ar a chéile trí Ghaeilge.

Gleo 2010

Sheol Foras na Gaeilge Scéim GLEO 2010 le déanaí. Tugann 'GLEO' aitheantas do na cleachtais is fear maidir le cur chun cinn na Gaeilge labhartha i mbealaí cruthaitheacha nuálacha i mbunscóileanna agus meánscoileanna a fheidhmiú trí mheán an Bhéarla ar fud oileán na hÉireann. Déanann painéal moltóirí na haimníúcháin a mheas agus tugtar cuairt ansin ar na scoileanna ar an ngeartlaoist. Is é Dé hAoine, 11 Nollaig 2009 an spriocdháta le haghaidh iarratas ó scoileanna. Tá an scéim oscailte do bhunscóileanna nó do mheánscoileanna a fheidhmiú trí mheán an Bhéarla agus ina muintear an Ghaeilge. Cuirfead fáilte faoi leith roimh iarratais ó scoileanna i gceantair faoi mhíbhuntáiste a dhéanann an-dul chun cinn maidir leis an nGaeilge labhartha le linn na bliana acadúla. Bronnfar €3,000 ar na scoileanna rathúla, a roinnfear mar seo a leanas: €1,750 don scoil le haghaidh acmhainní Gaeilge agus €1,250 mar mhaoiniú le haghaidh tionscnamh nó imeachtaí ar mhaithe le cur chun cinn na Gaeilge labhartha sa scoil. Is féidir tuilleadh sonraí a fháil faoi scéim Gleo ó shuíomh Fhoras na Gaeilge ag www.gaeilge.ie/gleo

Keeping Borris alive this Christmas

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BALLYMURPHY VINTAGE CLUB
The Annual Tractor Run will be held on Sunday 6 December at 11am.

BALLYMURPHY HALL COMMITTEE
The Split the Pot winners for Monday 16 November 2009 are: 1st Laurence Culleton €219, 2nd John Murphy €20, 3rd Martin Fenlon €20. Tickets on sale in Ballymurphy stores, Ballymurphy Post office, Coleman's Pub, The Hilltop Pub or any committee member. Draw takes place every Monday night in the Hilltop Bar. Thank you for your continued support.

CONCERT IN NEWTOWN SCHOOL
St Michael's NS in Newtown, Borris is holding a Christmas concert in Newtown Hall on 18 December 2009 at 7pm. Admission is €5 and children U14 go free.

CRISP COURSES
CRISP courses are starting in January at Lower Main Street, Borris. Computers made Simple begins on Monday 11 January, ECCL on Tuesday 12 January, Digital Photography for Beginners on Wednesday 13 January, and Intermediate on 14 January. Call in or phone 059 9771899 for more details.

50K CHARITY CYCLE
On Sunday 3 January, a charity cycle, in aid of multiple sclerosis, will go from Ballymurphy, around the Blackstairs and back. Those who are not too fit

need not worry, this can be a leisurely trip with a break for tea and sandwiches en route. Contact Tom Doran on 087 2626009 or Andrew Kavanagh on 087 2691557 for more details.

BORRIS VOCATIONAL SCHOOL AWARD WINNERS
The 2009 All-Ireland Scholarship Awards, sponsored by JP McManus, were presented on Saturday 21 November, in the concert hall in the University of Limerick. Mary Doyle, from Ballycinegan, St Mullins, a past pupil of Glynn National School and Borris Vocational School, was presented with her award. JP McManus has contributed €30 million to fund these scholarships and it is estimated that over 1,300 students from the 32 counties will benefit from the scheme.

by education minister Batt O'Keefe TD before an audience of 500. President Mary McAleese and her husband, Dr Martin McAleese, were in attendance, as were the Northern Ireland Education Minister, Catriona Ruane MLA, Minister for Defence, Willie O'Dea and many other dignitaries. Principal Kieran Lucas represented Borris Vocational School. Mary Doyle is the daughter of Michael and Maura Doyle. Last year another past pupil of Glynn National School and Borris Vocational School, Michael Byrne, Dranagh won the award. JP McManus has contributed €30 million to fund these scholarships and it is estimated that over 1,300 students from the 32 counties will benefit from the scheme.

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