

Parishes of Swords Clonmethan Kilsallaghan Donabate and Lusk Newsletter October 2020



Donabate and Lusk Select Vestry Elections and Appointments

Hon. Secretary: Brian Scott

Hon. Treasurer Peter Maxwell

Rector's Churchwarden: Brian Scott

People's Churchwarden: Niall Minto

Glebewarden: Kate Hender

Parochial Nominators: Jean Ellerker, Niall Minto

Synodsperson: Niall Minto

Supplemental: Brian Scott

Select Vestry: Sally Beazley, Glynis Willcox, Ms L. Jones, Mssrs P. Maxwell, A. Pratt, M. Swarbrigg, B. Allen, G. Hempton, A. Griffin.

Swords, Kilsallaghan and Clonmethan Select Vestry Elections and Appointments 2020

Saint David's Kilsallaghan

Rector's Churchwarden: Ian Falkiner

Saint Columba's Swords

People's Churchwarden: Sam Essandoh

Rector's Churchwarden: Paul Glendinning

People's Glebewarden: Fred Elliott

Rector's Glebewarden: Billy Goodwin

Hon Treasurer: Billy Goodwin

Swords, Kilsallaghan and Clonmethan Elections and Appointments 2020, continued

Hon. Secretary: Andrea Patterson

Parochial Nominators: Billy Goodwin and Margaret Wolfe

Synodspersons: Billy Goodwin and Stephen Vincent

Select Vestry: Margaret Coyle, Anne Forsyth, Eleanor McQuinn, John Mattins, Peter Saville, David Snow, Anne Christine Van Geelen, Stephen Vincent, and Eric Wolfe.

Donabate's 1937 Parish Hall Upgrade

The original parish hall in Donabate was built circa 1937, and has just recently undergone a major refurbishment. The upgraded hall has had a complete internal refit, including a new kitchen, new toilets, and a new fire system. The grounds have all been cleared and landscaped. At the same time, the traditional features have been restored to blend the old with the new. We hope this investment will see this 83-year-old hall continue for many generations to come.

Donabate and Lusk Parish Development Project

The parish development project is progressing. The next phase will see one acre of the glebe field go on the market with full planning permission. The proceeds from the sale will fund the development of a new community hub that we hope will further integrate the church into the wider community.

Online Sunday Services

We started recording Sunday Services from the Rectory during the lockdown. The services proved popular, with hundreds of views some weeks. They are recorded over Zoom to ensure adherence with the Covid-19 restrictions. Originally recorded in the Rectory, once the churches re-opened, we started recording from the churches. We had planned on stopping at the end of the summer but due to the popularity of the online services and especially the fresh Covid-19 restrictions which have closed the churches again, we have decided to continue. All services to date can be viewed on our YouTube channel. Just type Donabate, Lusk, Swords, Kilsallaghan into YouTube to get to the channel. We thank all our contributors, particularly Niall Minto for all the hard work of recording the services, David Scott for providing high quality singing, and Andrea and Brian for sending out the YouTube links.

Old Borough National School

The Old Borough National School reopened on Monday the 31st of August. The Rector, who is also the Chair of the Board of Governors, along with the Principal, Ms Anne-Marie Woods, and various staff members welcomed and greeted the children and their parents on their first day back. A huge thank you goes to the Board of Governors and all the teachers and staff at the Old Borough School for all their work over the summer in preparing the numerous Covid-19 policy documents and protocols, and for all the practical arrangements throughout the school which took place in allowing us to open safely and with confidence at the end of August. Very well done indeed, everyone!

Donabate and Lusk Parish Registers - Baptism

On 6th September, Jack Alfred Finnerty, son of Hannah Walsh and Denis Finnerty of Lusk. The sponsors were Emma Dwyer, Maureen Kane, Martin Murray, and Daithi Mac Ruairi. We welcome Jack to God's family.



Notes from The 45th Company Girls' Brigade

On Wednesday evening, the 9th of September, the 45th Company Girls' Brigade held their long overdue prize giving for the 2019 to 2020 session.

For safety reasons, the prize giving was done in the form of a drive through in the school car park. We welcomed all the girls along and it was so nice to see all their lovely smiley faces again as they each received their prizes.

See below for a few sample photos and have a look on Facebook for many more.

Special Awards were also presented to the following girls:

National Arts and Craft winners

Age 5-6 Section Beth Denner

Age 7-8 Section Alex Woolsey

Company Scripture winners

Junior Section Sophie Middleton, Hannah Eastwood & Ailbhe Ni Ghaora

Senior Section Ellen O'Leary

Congratulations to all the girls. We hope it won't be too long before we can return again to Girls' Brigade.

Stay Safe,
Captain and Leaders x





Church Services

All in-person church services are cancelled until further notice due to Covid-19 restrictions. Enter Donabate, Lusk, Swords, Kilsallaghan in YouTube to see the parish channel with services uploaded every Sunday.

Quote of the Month

