



# LUCAN

## NEWSLETTER

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### Dedication or Constraint

For most of us there are many motives for our actions no matter whether they are good or bad. That's just the way it is. I remember talking to a community care nurse some time ago who said that often he had to think about why some of the people remained in need of care. Some of them he said used to "enjoy poor health"! They liked the attention because they were sick. Thus, if they got better too soon, then the care would dry up. He used to ask himself: what's in it for my Patient if she/he gets better.

Equally we often hear of 'enabling' Drink or Drug or, any Addicts. The enabler is the person or persons who takes away negative consequences of the addict's action. For example: Mam or Dad comes in at night drunk, getting sick on the front door step and breaking one of the kitchen chairs as he/she flops into it, the whole house is awake. Next morning, some other adult cleans up the step and puts the broken chair under the stairs before anyone else gets up. No one says anything the next morning and the drunk conveniently forgets the whole episode. Now it takes a wise person to be able to function in such a house while also leaving the evidence around so that the Drunk gets the message that everyone's life is being ruined by the drinking.

It's the same with the gambler, you don't pay off their debts or they will stay gambling. You bring them to the appropriate helping agency.

In commitment in Marriage we speak of **Dedication** and **Constraint**. *Dedication* comes from within. Someone who trains for sports, maybe going out in all weathers to train is motivated from within. *Constraint* comes from outside the person. Granny is getting too old to live by herself. One of the family is available to move in and mind her. This person would prefer that this situation didn't exist but it does, and everyone else, in fairness will play their part. The minder does the job with the support and maybe pressure from others. Granny gets minded!

A friend of mine often says that at a low ebb in her marriage she thought of leaving her husband but she had no where to go, so they just had to work at it, and they are now back to being a happy couple. Her commitment was by constraint and her marriage was saved. Believe it or not but most of our commitments in life have a mixture of Dedication and Constraint in them, more mixed motives!

So while no one could agree with the language used by Kevin Myers in his recent column, maybe he was saying that

- The Social Welfare system is **enabling** people to prefer to live in Single Parent Families,
- Maybe it is **enabling** men not to support the children they have fathered.
- Maybe the Social Welfare System hides the broken chair of relationships under the stairs.
- Maybe a little **Constraint** from the State on the absent parent might be no harm, and might help Men in particular to commit to supporting their children.
- Maybe a little more enforcement of the Social Welfare rules might discourage the urban myth that life is all Rosey with single parent families.

Fr Philip Bradley (It may be better for children too.)

## St. Vincent de Paul

*(Conference of Divine Mercy)*

Wanted for needy family:

**Bedding, and single bed**, in good condition.

This is all that is required at this time. Thank you.

Ph. 6240936

## Chernobyl Children Appeal (Irl)

### Lucan Group

We continue to invite families to consider inviting a young child from the Chernobyl region into Lucan homes for a short holiday this summer.

This short holiday will be a life-giving experience for these children, in that being able to breathe fresh air, drink clean water and eat nourishing food actually helps extend the life of the children. For enquiries in confidence and without obligation please contact the undersigned.

*Derek Keating* Co-ordinator 087-2857435

## Liffey Sound FM

Whilst we have deferred the date for our 'Thousandaire' Live Show, we continue to build for a new date in the near future. In the meantime many thanks for those who have already pledged support for the Show, including: *Keane Windows, Ben McNally Auto Repairs, Lynches Fashions, Frameworks, Marymount Nursing Home, Liffey Valley Opel, Ryvale Nursing Home, Westmanstown Garda Sports & Conference Centre*. We will be contacting more Lucan Traders in the near future and we welcome inquiries from those who wish to support our Major Fundraising Event. Please contact the undersigned for information. Also we welcome more volunteers for our project.

*Derek Keating* PRO 087-2857435



## St. Mary's Bridge Club

*7<sup>th</sup> February*

N.S.

1<sup>st</sup>. Pearl Hynes, Rosemary McGavock. 2<sup>nd</sup> Denis Rochfort, William Doyle 3<sup>rd</sup>. Cathy Lynskey, Tony Manley

E.W.

1<sup>st</sup> Maura O'Reilly, Noeline Brennan 2<sup>nd</sup> Ann Ward, Louise Thomas 3<sup>rd</sup> Kevin Duke, Una Duke

## St. Mary's Cards

1<sup>st</sup> Michael Stephenson

2<sup>nd</sup> Loughlin McEvoy

3<sup>rd</sup> Prim Dempsey

4<sup>th</sup> Bill Ryan



## Lucan Bridge Club

*Results for Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> Feb. 05*

N.S.

1. Eileen Lynch & Deirdre McCourt 2. Betty Fitzpatrick & Maureen Whelan 3<sup>rd</sup> Ann O'Kelly & Sean Coffey

E.W.

1<sup>st</sup> Marguerite Cunningham & Jacinta McKelvey

2<sup>nd</sup> Irene Galloway & Mary Quinn 3. Vin Tierney & Dave Riordan

### *Sing for The Homeless*

### **Concert**

in aid of

### **IRISH EMIGRANT HOMELESS APPEAL**

at the

### **National Concert Hall**

on

**SUNDAY FEBRUARY 20<sup>th</sup> 2005**

Doors open 7.30 pm. Concert at 8 pm

Hosted by RTE "Failte Isteach" presenter  
**DONNCHA Ó DULAING**

### **Artists Performing:**

**MAIGHREAD NÍ DHOMHNAILL**, Ireland's top traditional singer

**MAIRTIN O'CONNOR** Renowned box player (De Dannann / Skylark)

**CATHAL HAYDEN** Four men & a Dog  
**MICHEAL Ó DOMHNAILL** Scara Brae / Bothy Band

**SEOSAMH Ó NEACHTAIN** Champion Sean-Nos Dancer

**ULTAN COWLEY** Writer of 'The Men Who Built Britain'

**LOUDEST WHISPER** Ireland's legendary folk / rock band

**CON SCULLY** Pianist featured on RTE Primetime documentary on the homeless in Britain

**Tickets €25**

Box Office: 01 417 000 Online:www.nch.ie

### **Happy 2<sup>nd</sup> Birthday**

**Josh**

**12<sup>th</sup> February 2005**

**Lots of love from**

**Mammy, Daddy & Toby**



## Found

**SMALL FEMALE BLACK & TAN COLLIE DOG** found in Ballydowd. Very friendly. Ph. 6207408/1 or 087-1254084



**LARGE BLACK LABRADOR-TYPE DOG** (male) found wandering Weston Park. Collar, nails clipped. Very friendly. Owner please phone 6281134 evenings.

## Dodsboro Residents Association

Some residents are concerned about Skate-Boarders in the area – there is *great* danger of them being involved in a serious accident on Dodsboro Road. We ask them to be careful.

Get well soon to all who are sick at home or in Hospital.

*P. Clerkin*



## Sarsfield Park & District Residents Association

*Sincere sympathies* are extended to the Cullen family following their recent bereavement. *Well done* to Maura Stone and her beautiful flower displays.

## Hillcrest Residents Association

During the week all households have been delivered a notice regarding the forthcoming Race Night in the Springfield Hotel at 8 pm on February 24<sup>th</sup>, the purpose of which is to fight the illegal developments at Weston Aerodrome.

Your support, both moral and financial, is needed as it is in all our best interests from a) safety in our homes to b) disturbance in our quality of life from the often continuous flights at low levels over us. Please support this event on the Night by joining us. If you want to sponsor a Race or buy a horse, be a jockey or Trainer. Details on the Notice .

Please contact us at

**Thady Muldoon 6241808**

**Martin Kelly 6281091**

as details have to be with the Printers by Feb. 16<sup>th</sup>.



## Re: Closure of Original Entrance to Sarsfield Park

If the person who sent in an item re the above sends in name and address (not for publication) we will be glad to print the piece. There is no charge for contributions of this nature, so you may reclaim your donation by calling to our office at St. Mary's Parish Centre on Thursday morning.

## Boxing

Best of luck to Karl Brabazon for his fight in Bahrain this weekend. After a great year in 2004 Karl is ready for the senior championships this year. The final plans are underway to reopen Lucan Boxing Club. Watch this space for opening date.



## Transport Users

It's now dawning on many people how bad the traffic situation will be as the Adamstown development has started. This is just the beginning as there are many other housing developments in surrounding counties. This, along with upgrading of all roads into Dublin to Motorway standard will leave us with permanent congestion, with many people traffic-locked in their homes.

The present proposals to upgrade the M50 will do little or nothing to ease the traffic situation. In fact it will add to the problems. We have come up with a simple plan that can rectify the traffic situation called a U-bridge plan. It will be displayed and explained at a public meeting on

**Tuesday, March 1<sup>st</sup>, in Foxhunter at 8 pm.**

This is our chance to influence the traffic planners before the final decision is made. A big turnout is essential. They are also intent on going ahead with the bus lane on Newcastle Road while ignoring other areas on the bus corridor where problems are causing long delays.

*Tom Newton 086 3127364*

## I.C.A. Notes

**Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup>:** Crafts at 10 am

**Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup>:** Crafts Night 8 pm

**Friday 18<sup>th</sup>:** Senior Citizens Social 11 am

Hostesses: Y. Middleton, P. Murlagh & P. Smith  
Big thank you to the Orchard Garden Centre for a most enjoyable and interesting evening on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup>. Stuart, Jean & Carmel made us so welcome and the refreshments were really appreciated.

Thank you to Phyl who organised the night.



## Parish Notes

### St. Mary's Lucan



#### Adult Education Programme for Lent

A series of talks will be held on Monday nights at 8 pm in the Parish Centre:

**Monday 21<sup>st</sup> February:** Bro Pat Mullins, (Carmelite): The Eucharist – understanding how our bodies are transformed by partaking of the Body and Blood of Christ.

**Monday 28<sup>th</sup> February:** Bro Pat Mullin: The Eucharist: Evolution of the history of the Eucharist

**Monday 7<sup>th</sup> March:** Fr Bruce Bradley, S.J. Spirituality

**Monday 14<sup>th</sup> March:** Fr Richard, OFM. Cap. Mind, Body, Spirit.

Contribution: €3 per night.

Enquiries to Deirdre at the Parish Office, Tel .6217041

#### Church Gate Collection this Sunday

CASA – friends and providers of respite for people with handicaps. Your generosity in supporting this much needed cause will be most appreciated.

#### Justice and Peace Group

##### **Make Poverty History**

Speaking at a rally in London before the G7 meeting of Finance Ministers, Nelson Mandela said:

*“Like slavery, poverty is not natural. It is man-made and it can be eradicated by the actions of human beings. And overcoming poverty is not a gesture of charity. It is an act of justice. It is the protection of a fundamental human right, the right to dignity and a decent life.*

*Massive poverty and obscene inequality rank alongside slavery and apartheid as social evils. I say again “Feed the world”, for we hunger for justice, hunger for dignity, and thirst for an end to degradation and we have nothing to nourish our dreams.”*

**Next Meeting Wed. 16<sup>th</sup> February @ 8 pm**

#### Christian Meditation

*“Be still and know that I am God”.*

Why not give some quality time just to be (in the presence of God). Every Tuesday @ 7.45 pm. All welcome. *Sr. Geraldine 6217158*

#### Prayer Group

Every Wednesday at 8 pm we meet in Room 3 at the Parish Centre to share the Word of God, prayer and praise. Everyone is welcome to join us, so do feel free to come along. Rosary at 7.45 pm.

### World Youth Day – Cologne 14<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> August 2005.

Are you between 17 – 30 years of age?

Would you like to come together with other young Catholics from all round the world, to celebrate your faith, to have fun, to pray and to share? Talk to either of the priests or ask Deirdre about it.

Cost is €499 approx but sponsorship is available.

### St. Patrick's Esker Dodsboro

#### Prayer Group

The St. Patrick's Prayer group meets in the church on Monday from 8.30 – 9.15 pm. All are welcome to join the group in prayer.



#### Lenten Prayer Groups

The Lenten Prayer Meetings, which are based in homes throughout the parish, continue this coming week. There is a list of Leaders on display in the front porch of the church.

#### Weekday Masses during Lent

Monday to Friday during Lent, Masses are at 9.10, 10 and 7.30pm.

#### Parish Finance Committee

The next meeting of the Finance Committee will be on Wednesday week, 23<sup>rd</sup> February at 8 pm in the Sacristy.



### Divine Mercy, Lucan South

Daily Mass during Lent – 9.15 am and 7.30 pm.

Quiet Time

Beginning on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> February, there will be an hour's quiet prayer during Lent, after the evening Mass. the hour will conclude with a common recital of the Stations of the Cross.

#### Pastoral Council

The following people have been elected to the Parish Pastoral Council: Josie Brennan, Alex Byrne, Joan Chercham, Bridget Kenny, Maurice Kwurue, Gavin Lacy, Gerry McInerney, Shane Moynihan, Joe Walsh and Louisa Walsh.

We thank all who allowed their names to go forward for nomination.

The Pastoral council will use the initial meetings as a means of getting to know each other and the pastoral needs of the parish.

This weekend the parents and children who are preparing for their first Holy Communion are animating the 10.30 Mass.

During that Mass we are also holding the Rite of Sending for Ayodeji Ibrahim, who together with

all the elect. will be enrolled by Archbishop Martin, in the pro-Cathedral on Sunday afternoon. Ayo will be received into the Church during the Easter Vigil here in Lucan South. This Lent is a time of intense preparation for that great and joyous event for the whole parish. Please remember Ayo, and his wife Caroline, in your prayers.

**Some Trocaire boxes** are available for those who did not receive them through the schools.

**Following the tsunami in Asia**, a group of women have decided to work together to raise much needed funds. For more information contact Eileen (6211163) or Bernie (6213247)

#### **Parish Retreat**

A parish Retreat takes place on the last weekend in February, 25<sup>th</sup>/27<sup>th</sup> in Ardbracken. The cost is €65. a deposit of €20 is required before February 16<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Joan (4575414) to book your place.

Almost four months have disappeared  
since we last met for our

### **Ecumenical Pray Day!**

Time is like the wind, and it flies! But it is also a gift from God, so let's use it profitably by investing quality time with Him.

Same Day – Saturday  
Same Venue – Lucan Methodist Church  
Different Date – 5<sup>th</sup> March 2005  
Different Time – 3-5pm

### **Medjugorje**

Join us and experience this "Oasis of Peace".  
10<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> April. €498 fully inclusive.  
Contact Pat or Phil Colgan 01-6281436 /  
087.2238911

### **All committed couples are invited to a Mass of thanksgiving and prayer**

on the evening of St. Valentine's day to thank God for their loving relationship and pray for a creative future together. Monday, Feb.

14<sup>th</sup>, 7.30 to 8.30 pm.  
Mount Argus Church,  
Harold's Cross, Dublin 6

This special Mass for Couples is an outreach by the Mount Argus Pre-Marriage Course ("Together.ie")



**TABLE QUIZ.** County Bar, Lucan this **Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> February** – not March as previously advertised.

### **Forming Tullyhall Residents Association**

A meeting will be held on 17<sup>th</sup> February at 8.30 pm in Earlsfort Community Centre. The purpose of the meeting is to form a Residents Association to respond to the threat of Adamstown Link Road, to the quality of life in Tullyhall, and other matters such as refuse collection, road conditions, neighbourhood watch, and any other matters that concern your.

All residents are requested to attend. Information from 086-8646464 / 087 9545601



**The big launch of the Adamstown project** was on during the week, and in next to no time the 10,000 or so houses (with their projected residents numbering 20,000 – *obviously no children allowed!*) will be occupied. I

can't believe that sufficient infrastructure will be put in place before this happens. I remember in the 1980's when huge – at the time - local authority housing estates were built in Tallaght and Blanchardstown, without schools, shops, busses etc. The hardship those people endured while trying to settle in a rural environment that was unfamiliar to them in every way, had to be seen to be believed. With Adamstown, of course, it won't be only the new residents that will suffer. We will all be 'land-locked' until the appropriate services are put in place.

For how long will our famous single-span bridge, built in the horse-and-cart era, be able to withstand the pressure? It has become one of the most used routes for crossing the Liffey. Surely the need for an outer-outer ring road is obvious to more than me? Traffic heading north or south must be diverted before converging on the traffic-jam that has become the N4 between Lucan and the M50.



**And talking about our Liffey bridge** brings me to the Laraghcon Lights saga, when time stood still for hundreds of motorists. How anyone could imagine that the new traffic lights could possibly work without the opening of the relief road is hard to imagine – whether they will even work then is another imponderable.

## Lucan Swimming Pool Campaign



**PUBLIC MEETING**

**LIMERICK ROOM  
THE SPA HOTEL**

**MONDAY 21<sup>st</sup> FEBRUARY  
at 8 pm**

All welcome.  
e-mail: [info@swimlucan.com](mailto:info@swimlucan.com)

### Irish Red Cross

The Lucan Branch of the Irish Red cross would like to express our deepest sympathy to the Cullen Family on the sudden death of **Maureen Cullen**, who passed away last Saturday night. May she rest in peace. Maureen was a former Secretary and Life Time Member of the Branch.

*Michael Cummins* Chairman.



### Esker Summer Project

Yes, it is that time of year again when we start thinking about and planning our summer holidays. One of the major events of the summer is the Esker Summer Project. In order to be ready for this, the Project is holding its annual Flag Day on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> and Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> February at Superquinn Shopping Centre. The proceeds from this go towards organizing activities for the children in the Lucan area who participate in the Project. This year's project takes place from 4<sup>th</sup> July to 22<sup>nd</sup> July inclusive and enrolment is on Saturday, 18<sup>th</sup> June – more information will follow nearer those dates.

The next committee meeting is on next **Wednesday, 16<sup>th</sup> February at 8 pm** in Scoil Aine Naofa, Esker Lucan and if you feel you'd like to be part of the committee, please do come along. You will be most welcome.



### Lucan Gospel Singers

The new members are settling in and each week their numbers are being added to. Karen Corbet, has now ended her time with us. She had started to teach us how to read music. We all recognise just how valuable this is, so Ian, on top of all his other work, is going to reinforce and develop this skill further with us.

Our dressmaker is being kept busy, as some of the now established members are getting themselves kitted out in our blue and gold robes.

**AGM will take place on 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2005**

We will travel to Athy on 20<sup>th</sup> February for an Evening Service and for new members it should prove to be a very nice occasion to make their debut.

See you next week – 8.30 Tuesday in the Presbyterian Church, Lucan Village.

**Wedding Contact 086-0747441**  
PRO 6240192

### Lucan Toastmasters

We had a very enjoyable meeting on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> February in Finnstown House. As well as our usual members, we had 12 guests in attendance and it would appear that they all got a very good first impression of Toastmasters.

The meeting got off to a humorous start with some good jokes from our up-and-coming Jokemaster, Conor O'Briain. Next, our minds were exercised with a wide range of challenging topics from Topics Master, Michael Donovan. Four great speeches from Sharon Geoghegan, Michael Donovan, Liam Power and Seamus Bruen concerning subjects as diverse as Motivation, Political Corruption, the fairy tale Rapunzel, and some recommendations on how to deliver bad news, rounded off the night very nicely. Some nice sweeteners in the form of free daffodils and Maltesers for everybody in the audience added a memorable touch to the meeting.

Remember, guests are always welcome to our club meetings. The next meeting will take place on **Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> February** – just three days after the 14<sup>th</sup>. What better way to recover from those Valentine's Day celebrations than to come to a Toastmasters meeting.

**Remember, Finnstown House at 8 pm.**

*Brian Banfield*, Vice President,  
Public Relations (ph 6104966, 8 – 10 pm)



# POLITICAL NOTES

## Cllr. Fintan McCarthy – Green Party

*“Putting our community first”*

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**Laraghcon Lights:** Traffic came to a standstill due to switching on of lights at Laraghcon, (the development of which the Green Party opposed at every stage). Deputy Gogarty and I made repeated calls to Fingal and South Dublin County Councils to have the lights switched off until problems were addressed. Thanks to our three Green Party Councillors on Fingal County Council who added their assistance. Unfortunately at time of going to press (Wednesday) the traffic problems remain.

**Adamstown:** Deputy Gogarty and I took the decision to boycott the Adamstown ceremony. Lucan deserves more than fancy speeches and ribbon cuttings.

**Carroll's Butchers development:** Application made for 16 apartments to rear and café bar (pub) to front.

**Traffic Calming:** Public consultation on Esker Lane South due later this month when plan is eventually published. **Swimming Pool for Lucan:** I'm once again raising the issue at council level.



## Cllr. Derek Keating MCC, PC

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*Lucan's Independent Community Councillor*

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**Lucan Traffic / Laraghcon:** This week the Traffic Lights at Laraghcon were turned on. The result: Horrendous Traffic Congestion for Lucan motorists I am continuing with my efforts with Fingal County Council, the Gardai and Shannon Homes – the distributor road STILL not open.

**Adamstown:** Stone-Laying ceremony this week. Having voted against Adamstown and Appealed the Project to An Bord Pleanála on the basis of sufficient infrastructure not being provided for a successful integration of Adamstown into Lucan, I continue to work for more transport infrastructure, amenities etc.

**Broadband:** Thanks to the many who have contacted me on this matter, I am in regular contact with a number of service providers in the interest of Broadband for Lucan.

**Swimming Pool Campaign:** Regular contact with the Department and the Council. **Skatepark:** Membership Registration at [www.derekkeating.net](http://www.derekkeating.net) or at Stagg Cycles Lucan Village.

## Cllr. Eamon Tuffey – Labour Party

Tel: 6216807. (H) 086 3863173 (M).

*Chairman, Lucan /Clondalkin Area Committee*

**Planning:** Decisions on a number of important applications are due around 23-25 February; including Lucan Lodge Nursing Home extension (Retention), Adamstown Link Road, Hotel at Weston Aerodrome (on each of which I have made submissions) and Adamstown Rail Station.

**Severe Traffic Congestion:** For the second time the switching on of the lights at Laraghcon appear to have

caused gridlock in the village and beyond. Fingal Co Council must absolutely enforce immediately the condition to open the distributor road up from the traffic lights, and institute legal action against the developer.

**Bin Waivers:** Following contact from a number of residents, I have tabled two questions on this issue at the February meeting, including extra tags for large families who have a waiver.

**Lucan Clinic:** Mondays from 8 to 8.30 in Kenny's.

## Paul Gogarty TD – Green Party

Tel: 087-2752489 /01-6219966 (Lucan Office)

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**Lucan Bridge Gridlock:** The switching on of the traffic lights in Lucan village before the new road past Laraghcon caused considerable gridlock this week. Cllr. McCarthy and I made representations to Fingal Council on this issue both directly and through our Green Colleagues. We have also liaised with South Dublin County Council. The road must be opened first. One estate's needs cannot hold the entire community to ransom. If Green Party proposals were supported, this problem would not have arisen.

**Adamstown:** The Green Party did not attend the Adamstown launch this week. While we welcome the fact that there has been some progress on the original plan by the developers and the Council, we will not join the hob-knobbing and backslapping with Bertie until the Government gives cast-iron commitments on the provision of facilities and amenities. These include schools, and electrified, four-track rail line and early opening of community buildings.

## Labour Senator Joanna Tuffey

(Phone 6183822, email [Joanna.tuffey@oircachtas.ie](mailto:Joanna.tuffey@oircachtas.ie))

This week in the Sínead I spoke on the need for paid parental leave, and that fathers in particular need to have paid parental or paternity leave entitlements. Many other European countries have much more extensive parental leave provisions than Ireland and pay at least part of the salary of the parent taking the leave.

**Kildare Route Project:** It is disappointing that the Railway Order for this vital project have still not been signed by Government. I am urging the Minister for Transport to delay no further; it is an absolutely critical part of the Adamstown SDZ. Please feel free to contact me about the above or any other issue.

## John Curran TD – Fianna Fáil TD for Dublin Mid-West.

Ph. 6183792 / Mob. 087-2501980.

**New Plastic Bottle Collection Trial in 2005:** I look forward to seeing the plans to carry out trials on the door-to-door collection of plastic bottles being put into practice. Pilot schemes will be carried out in all electoral areas of South Dublin. I will be pressing the Council to make sure that Dublin Mid-West residents in Lucan are fairly involved in this very promising recycling initiative.

Discussions are ongoing in this regard with Repak, the Department of Environment Heritage and Local Government and the 4 Dublin Local Authorities with regard the financing of this project.

# Acknowledgement

## James (Billy) Gleeson R.I.P.

We the family of the late James Gleeson, would like to express our sincere appreciation to all those who sympathised with us following our sad loss.

Our thanks to all who attended the removal and funeral, sent Mass cards, floral tributes, and messages of sympathy.

Our thanks also to our relatives, friends and neighbours for their kindness and support.

A special word of thanks to the doctors and staff of Unit 5, Blanchardstown Hospital for their special care. To Dr. Feeney and staff and to Fr. Moore for his kindness and support, also to Peter Brady and the Gardaí.

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass is offered for all your intentions.



## Brendan Curtis – 8<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

Treasured memories to day and always of Brendan, who died 19<sup>th</sup> February 1997. R.I.P., also remembering **Connie O'Toole**, who died 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2001. R.I.P.

Masses offered.

*Time slips by*

*Life goes on*

*But from our hearts*

*You're never gone.*

Love you always from Patricia, Alan, Carol, Grace, Neville and Sean. – Leonard, Jane and Charlie (England).

## John Floody – 7<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

(15 Feb)

*February comes with regret*

*It brings back a day we can never forget.*

*You closed your eyes without goodbye*

*Memories of you will never die.*

Remembered by your wife Eileen, daughters, grandson and son-in-law.

# Anniversaries

## Freda Byrne – 29<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

In loving memory of my dear sister Freda, who died February 17<sup>th</sup> 1976. R.I.P.

Masses offered.



*Forgive me Lord if I still weep,  
For a sister I wanted to keep,  
Some may forget you now you're  
gone.*

*But I will never forget you no  
matter how long.*

Remembered and loved always by your sister Tessie.

## Freda Byrne – 29<sup>th</sup> Anniversary R.I.P.

Masses offered.

*Quietly to day your memory I treasure.*

*Loving you always, forgetting you never.*

Remembered and loved always by your sister Philda.

## Freda Byrne – 29<sup>th</sup> Anniversary R.I.P.

Masses offered.

*So much in life is altered,*

*So much in life is new,*

*But one thing never changes,*

*Are the memories we have of you.*

Remembered and loved always,  
By your husband Dick, you're family, Elaine,  
Richard, Emily and your five grand  
children.xxxxx.



## Rita Graham (nee Hughes)

Formerly of Castleknock and Main St. Lucan.  
17/12/24 – 19/02/93.

*Your 12<sup>th</sup> Anniversary has arrived.*

*How on earth have we survived.*

*That painful day is still so clear.*

*But we know you are always near.*

*Our hearts are broken and we cry*

*As we never wanted to say goodbye.*

*To you Mam, our wonderful shining star,*

*Watch over us and keep us safe.*

*We love, miss you always and forever.*

Your children: Kathleen, Johnny, Eddie, Marjorie,  
Tommy (R.I.P.), Rita, Peter, Paul, Marlynn. Your  
sons / daughters in laws, grandchildren and great  
grandchildren xxxxxxxx.

## Pat Murray – 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

In loving memory of my dear husband Pat, who died 13<sup>th</sup> February 1980.

*Memories are precious*

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## Lucan B.N.S.

### Enrolment of Junior Infants

The latest date for accepting names of boys for places in Junior Infants for September 2005 is February 28<sup>th</sup>. This does not guaranteed him a place, but it ensures that his name is on the list for consideration.

## St. Thomas Junior N.S.

Last Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2005 marked the tragic passing of one of our teachers, Seamus Morris, after a short illness. Seamus had been with us since September 2000 having previously taught in Scoil Chroi Ro Naofa, Killinarden. The respect and affection in which Seamus was held was very much in evidence over the last number of days as the whole school community mourned his passing.

Seamus was a native of Tinahely, Co. Wicklow and had a prominent career in Gaelic Football with club and county. Seamus was a valued member of our school and will be sadly missed by all the pupils, parents and the staff of St. Thomas' J.N.S. We extend our deepest sympathy to his wife Aileen and children Jordan, Jade and Dylan.

## St. Thomas' Junior N.S.

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# ANNUAL PUB QUIZ



Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> Feb. at 8.30 sharp  
Lucan Sarsfields GAA Club



This week, we say a temporary farewell to Ms. Gleeson as she starts her maternity leave. We wish her well and hopefully she won't have too many sleepless nights with the new arrival.

For those who have forgotten (or who would rather forget!) we will close on Friday for our mid-term break. The school will re-open on Monday, 21<sup>st</sup> February.

Finally, we were all saddened to hear of the death last week of Mr. Ring's father. Jim Ring retired at 65 from Aer Lingus and worked for a further 21 years as Sacristan in his local Parish Church. While Fr. Price (remember him?) was officially Parish Priest, many felt that Jim was the real Parish Priest. We offer our sincerest sympathies to John and his family on their great loss. Ar dheis lamh De go raibh a anam.

## Gaelscoil Naomh Pádraig



# PUB QUIZ

Monday February 28<sup>th</sup> at 8.30 sharp  
Pennyhill Pub – Lucan

Cost is €20 per Team of 4  
*Everyone Welcome!*



Words to the Wise: It takes a long time to grow young.

## Reminder!

### St. Patrick's Day Parade

Hope all local groups are getting organised at the moment!

Don't forget to have entries in as soon as possible, but not later than Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> February.

Details from: Mary Meehan 6281917; Barbara Cummins 6240156; Peter Brady 6241230.



## Archbishop Ryan Senior N.S.

A long overdue double was recorded in the Credit Union Quiz with both the Under 13 team and the Under 11 team notching wins against rivals from across the Fonthill Road, St. Peter Apostle. Victory give us bragging rights over the gracious Mr. Burke Walsh who will no doubt spend the long months ahead plotting events. The winning Under 13 team featured Darren Healy, Shona McCormick, Sarah Vu and Keith Ryan. The winning Under 11 team were Andrew Parkinson, Bronagh Lynch, Kelvin Jackson and Florence Ibrahim. Ms. Kirby is taking credit for this success. Her pre-quiz tactics would leave Ann Robinson blush with shame but her Carol Vorderman charm compensates.



Wednesday morning. We hope they have a fantastic trip and enjoy the Alpine air!

2A4 C.S.P.E. Class raised €2500 for the Goal Tsunami appeal by unpacking trolleys in Superquin.

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Signor Dolana chances of success in the All Ireland Teachers Soccer Competition had a recent setback when he was forced to hand over training to his assistant Mr. Fitzgerald. Mr. Fitzgerald's presence caused a Maurice Setters fiasco with the players acting up in the absence of their spiritual leader. We hope they will be back on track for February 25<sup>th</sup>.

A final reminder that the school will be closed for the mid-term break until Monday Feb. 21<sup>st</sup>. We reopen at 9.00am!



## St. Joseph's College

**Maths Quiz:** each year the Irish Maths Teachers Association holds a quiz for Leaving Cert. Students. The table quiz consists of eight rounds of questions on the Leaving Cert. Syllabus and this year's Dublin section was held last Friday night in St. Andrew's, Booterstown. The St. Joseph's team, Selene Alford, Emer Collopy, Claire Rushe and Deirdre Walsh did extremely well in the event – leading after six rounds they were just pipped at the post and finished in joint third position, being only two marks behind the winner, Patrician College, Newbridge. A total of twenty-six schools from all over the Dublin area took part in this quiz. We congratulate all four girls and extend special good wishes to Selene and Deirdre who celebrated birthdays at the weekend.

**Congratulations** to Shauna Homan of 2A who has been selected onto the Irish Olympic Handball Team (under 14) and will be travelling to Holland with the team later this year.

**5<sup>th</sup> Year Trip:** There was an air of excitement and anticipation among our Fifth Year Students. The annual 5<sup>th</sup> Year trip to Switzerland was at last here! Ninety girls and eleven teachers reported on



## Putting People in touch.....

### Relatives found....

Readers may recall that two weeks ago, Lucan Newsletter posted an appeal by **Californian Steve Devol**, who was trying to trace his relatives, the **Buggles**, in Lucan.

Steve was already on his way to Ireland by the time we got his email, but following the appeal in the Newsletter, we're glad to report he found his long lost clan, and has promised to report to us on his visit.

### Message for the Byrnes of Lucan!

We are trying to locate an **Anthony Byrne**, aged between 55 – 65, brother of Thomas and John Byrne, the mother we think is Nancy Byrne. It would be appreciated if someone could get in touch with: [susan.evans@kingswood.co.uk](mailto:susan.evans@kingswood.co.uk) or phone 44 1603660333 or 441603 478036

*Carl Byrne*

### Herbert

Another former Lucanian frequently in touch with us is **Ethna Torres (nee Herbert)**, who left Lucan in the early 60's for Canada, and now lives in Texas. Her family lived up the Black Avenue, in St. Catherines, and she has recalled some very amusing tales for us of times gone by.

Would you believe she still has a copy of Lucan Newsletter from 1971! Nowadays, she contributes a few snippets – some of the quotes etc which you read now and then!

Here's one!

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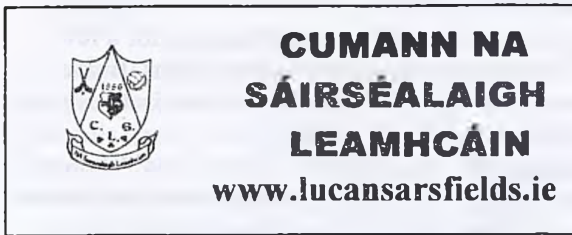
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audience vote (over 18's) to decide on the successful act. In addition two wild cards will be chosen for the final where an expert group of judges from the music and entertainment industry will choose the winner. Entry (forms in Clubhouse) & attendance at the heats is free. Individuals and groups (max 4) from (16-30 age) are all welcome to enter. Closing date for entry is 15<sup>th</sup> February.

#### Membership Subscription.

A reminder as the playing season starts again that subscription are now over due from a number of players and non-playing members. Players who have not paid by March 1 will not be registered and will be unavailable for selection until subs. are fully paid. Please contact club Registrar Joe Whyte 6241331 if in doubt.

Well done to U14s footballers on getting promoted last weekend. Well done to Dublin and both our representatives Paul Casey and Stephen O Shaughnessy on beating Mayo. It is great for the club to have two players on the team. Lots of teams back in action this weekend with Inters (v Ballyboden) & Seniors footballers (v Brigids) and playing in cups at 11 & 2.30 in the 12<sup>th</sup> Lock Sun.

#### Seamus Morris

News of Seamus Morris's untimely death quickly spread throughout Lucan, Kilmacud and Tinahely last week. Seamus had been ill for sometime and the passing of a football star and great servant of Lucan Sarsfields caused huge sadness. Seamus, who was 44, had great success as a footballer for Tinahely and Wicklow culminating with an All-Ireland win with Kilmacud Crokes on St. Patrick's Day 1995. He was heavily involved in Sarsfields with Summer Camps and Family Fun Days. His managerial talent was recognised when he was appointed mentor with the South Dublin U12 squad who went on to win the Annual Easter Tournament against North Dublin. The parents and players of the U13A football panel will, however, remember the tall, calm dignified manager who guided the team to success at U9, oversaw them for many years in Division 1 of the South Dublin League and had words of encouragement for all the lads whom he introduced to the joys of Peil Gaelach. We remember happy days with him on the playing fields from the Siberian conditions of the Iveagh Grounds when we were runners-up in the John Humphreys Memorial Cup in 2003 to the tropical climate of Salthill just eight short months ago. Most of all we remember a friend described in the funeral homily as a gentleman to his fingertips. But our loss pales with that suffered by his family and deepest condolences to Aileen, Jordan, Jade and Dylan from all at Na Sairseálaigh and especially from the U13A family. Ar dheis Dé go raibh a hAnam.

Thanks to SOC for these sentiments

#### AGM Date

AGM rescheduled to Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> at 9pm sharp

#### The X Factor comes to Lucan!

This Talent Competition will be run over 4 heats each Friday from 25<sup>th</sup> February. The winner will take home €1000 with each heat winner getting €100; Each heat will consist of 6 acts with an



#### Lotto Results

No winner Nos 3, 4, 23, 24 - This week John O Mahony is Fear an Tí is with Matt Reilly Autoparts sponsors. Jackpot €5500. Nice to see normal service resumed with Caoilfhionn Walsh winning €20 along with such notables as Shane Cuttle, Lizzie Doyle, Seaghan & Sinead, Eileen McLoughlin, Jack O'Neill, Nobby Clarke, Karen O Mahony, Laura Hallesy & Adrian Carey. The lotto has been a great success for us and we would urge all members to consider the easy play- direct debit option. All details of this painless (well almost) way to play each are available from Seamus or in the clubhouse.

#### New Lotto Sponsors

Welcome Matt Reilly Autoparts, Lombard, L.J. Dowd & Assoc and Jim Doyle Sports on board & thanks to these and our existing supporters McDonald Bros Auctioneers, Pat Toolan Bookmakers, Camera Vision and Griffins Pharmacy.

#### Dublin Representation

2 players on Dublin Seniors, 4 on Dublin Ladies B team, 2 on Dublin Senior Hurling Panel, 5 on Minor Hurling Panel and 2 on Football Squad. Great for the individuals the club & Lucan.

#### Newsflash – Club Table Quiz Next Wed 16th

Ladies Section will be leading the charge. Kicks off at 9pm. See you all there. Donal Walsh is quizmaster for his sins.

#### Clubhouse Events

- Saturday night music.
- Traditional Music continues every Sunday night with Jim McGreavey.
- Wed 16<sup>th</sup> Club Table Quiz –9pm
- Sun 20<sup>th</sup> March- Poker Classic





## HILLCREST A.F.C.

### Club News:

Our fundraising campaigns are getting into full swing. The **Annual Draw** takes place in the Spa Hotel on March 16<sup>th</sup> next and the tickets are now on sale @ €25.00 each. Contact Pat Hickey at 6241021.

Preparations are also proceeding for the annual **Golf Classic**, which takes place in Lucan Golf Club on April 29<sup>th</sup>. Contact John McBride at 087-2986431. Support for these ventures is vital to maintain the clubs financial commitments and the support of all our members is needed so that we can meet our targets and objectives.

**U/7A:** St. Malachy's 2 - 4 Hillcrest. Playing in the 'A' league hasn't fazed this great little group of players. Although it lashed rain in Springdale road last Sunday morning, it did not bother the Lucan boys as they took the game to the hosts from the start. Scorers Oisín McAleenan, Dean Keating, Josh O'Neill and Ciaran Fitzpatrick.

**U/8E:** Hillcrest 0-4 Rangers CYM. A result that does not do justice to a very good performance from Hillcrest. Hillcrest hit the post on three occasions and young Evan Sherlock must have wondered just what he had to score, as it was his great efforts that crashed off the post and away to safety. The visitors had whatever luck that was on offer and they made it count by converting their chances - two in each half to secure the win.

**U/9D:** Sheriff YC 0 - 2 Hillcrest. Hillcrest defeated Sheriff by two goals to nil in Fairview Park and in doing so recorded their first victory of the season. Scorers Mark Byrne and Karl Tallon.

**U/9A1:** Leixlip 7-3 Hillcrest. This was a cracking game for the neutral at the Amenity Centre last Saturday. Pulsating action from start to finish saw a game Hillcrest side go down 7-3 to near neighbours Leixlip in a highly entertaining game of football. Scorers Troy Davidson (2) and Shane Eccles.

**U/13A:** Hillcrest 1-2 Tolka Rovers. A series of missed chances by Hillcrest and two soft second half goals by Tolka saw the visitors snatch a fortuitous win at Hillcrest Park last Saturday; the omens were not good as Hillcrest's centre half Anto McMahon picked up a knee injury and had to be replaced by Aaron Cribben after just five minutes of play. Scorer Ciaran McHugh.

**U/14A:** St Paul's Artane 7-1 Hillcrest. Hillcrest found the going tough against league leaders St. Paul's at McCauley Park last Saturday afternoon. Hillcrest had a number of players playing in unfamiliar positions and they paid a heavy price for this tactic. The game was over as a contest after 20 minutes as the host's bagged four goals before a shell shocked Hillcrest got out of their blocks. Scorer Conor Walshe.

**U/16A:** Hillcrest 1-1 Dunboyne.

**U/10C:** Hillcrest 1-4 Tolka Rovers.

**U/10A:** Knocklyon 4-2 Hillcrest.

**LSL Major 1A Sat.** Hillcrest 7-2 Aer Lingus.

**LSL Major 1 Sun. 2<sup>nd</sup> Rd Polikoff Cup.** Lorcan Celtic 2-3 Hillcrest.



## LUCAN UTD. F.C.

**Notice:** Lucan Utd U/7's are still looking for a few players for their Saturday and Sunday teams. If you were born in 1997 and would like to play football give Damian a call on 085-7131946.

**Lotto** 03/02/05. Winning Nos. **12-18-23-24**. Winner: Patricia Buggle - €800.00 Congratulations. Next weeks Jackpot €500.00. **€20 winners:** Bennett Family; Cian Byrne, C/o U/7's; Gary Doherty, C/o Alan Kavanagh; Norah Monaghan, C/o Paddy.

**U/7's:** DDSL Sun. B1- Lucan 4-2 Manortown. Lucan got the season off to the best possible start when they beat a strong Manortown on Sunday at Airlie Heights. This was a new look Lucan team with 3 new players playing in their first competitive match. The U/7's now have two teams playing in the DDSL, one on Saturday and Sunday. Manortown started the match well and camped themselves in the Lucan half for the first 10 minutes. Sean McGarrigle, a new player for Lucan, was outstanding in goal and really kept Lucan in the match. Eventually the pressure told and Manortown scored the goal their play deserved. The Lucan manager wasn't sure how his new team would react but he shouldn't have worried. The Lucan lads battled on and took the challenge to Manortown coming close on a few occasions prior to the break.

At half time the lads come off having really enjoyed themselves. Their joy was to increase when 5 minutes after the restart Conor Masterson scored a scorcher. Conor collected ball directly from a corner and drove it low and hard to the keepers left to bring the teams level. The lads had the bit between their teeth now and attacked Manortown's goal at every chance. Gavin Kealy scored a 2<sup>nd</sup> for Lucan after a wonderful through ball from Daniel Forde. Manortown didn't sit back after going behind but pushed for an equaliser. They duly scored 5 minutes to go and at this point both managers would have taken the point.

However, the Lucan lads didn't want to finish this match with a draw. To the managers delight he watched his young guns attack the Manortown goal in wave after wave, Conor Masterson and Christopher McMorrow held firm in defence and kept the Manortown lads at bay. Ben Thompson, Gavin Kealy, Steven Murray and Cian Byrne marshalled midfield and this allowed Mark Harrington and James Macken free reign up front. It was a goal from Mark Harrington with 3 minutes to go that gave Lucan the deserved lead. With Manortown pushing for an equaliser James Macken received the ball in his own half and ran the length of the pitch to coolly put the ball past the keeper. It was a superb end to a wonderful match.

**U/8's C Dublin District Schoolboys / Girls League.** 30/01/05. Rangers 3-9 Lucan Utd. Scorers; Scott Murray 1, Sean Murtagh 3, Darragh Gannon 3, Shane Maloney 1 and Don Harrington 1. This turned out to be a great start to the league campaign after the long break for Christmas. Lucan dominated this game from start to finish and it all bodes well for the remainder of the season. A hat trick a piece from Sean Murtagh and Darragh Gannon outlined how far this team has come on in leaps and bounds.

06/02/05. **U/8's C Dublin District Schoolboys/ Girls League.** Aungier Cel. 0-3 Lucan Utd.

# LUCAN HARRIERS ATHLETIC CLUB

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**Results:** On Wednesday, David Keogh finished in 12<sup>th</sup> position in the U/17 age group of a loaded Leinster Schools Cross Country (x-c) Championships in the grounds in D.C.U. This great run has now gained David one of the individual qualifications spots for the All-Ireland Schools x-c Championships to be held in Dungarvan on March 5<sup>th</sup>. Bebhinn Ni Chiosain helped her school (Maynooth P.P.) to the silver team medal in the U/14 girls event. There is no All-Irelands for the U/14 age group so this is the end of the Schools Cross Country season for Bebhinn. Well done to both athletes on their fine runs.



Last Sunday, Tommy Buggle, Conor McGee, Damian McDonald, Jim Dwyer, Bernie Stapleton, Ann McGee and Josephine Duignam all braved the hailstones at the Raheny 5 miles road race, a race which attracted over a thousand entrants. Conor continued this comeback from injury with an 8<sup>th</sup> place finish in a time of 24:49.



Tommy Buggle showed some good form off very limited training with a strong run in 30:25. Some of our younger members, Keith and Conor, ran in the kid's one-mile race too. Well done to all.



Also, last Sunday, Hilary McGee ran very well in the Cork Marina BHAA 5K Road Race with a new personal best time of 20:34. Well-done Hilary.

**Meet & Train:** With the bright evenings coming in, now is the time to start getting fit for the summer. See training times below. This weekend, in Griffeen Park, our women run the last of the Winter Meet & Train x-c series races. The action kicks off at 11 am. Best of luck to all our teams.

**Upcoming Fixtures:** Sun. 13<sup>th</sup> Feb. Women's Meet & Train 2 miles x-c, Santry.

**Training Times:** Esker Track (opp Superquinn). All standards welcome. Seniors, Tues & Thurs. Sun. 10am. Ph. Gerry 6241742. Juveniles, Tues & Thurs 6pm. Ph. Ann 6282531. Ages 7 and upwards catered for.



## ESKER CELTIC

**Lotto numbers drawn – 9.11.13.15.** No winner. Next week €6,200. Match 3, €100 – One winner – Breda Fitzpatrick.

**Match Results:** 7D V Knocklyon 7-1. 7C1 V Cabinteely Boys 6-2. 8B V Crumlin Utd. 0-0. 8C1 V WFTA 9-1. 8F V Templeogue 1-1. 9B V Ballybrack 2-3. 9C1 V Verona (Sat) 05. 9C1 V Iveagh (Sun) 6-1. 10A1 V Leicester 1-6. 10C V Brookfield 4-6. 11 Div.1 v Dundrum 6-0. 11A V Celbridge 3-1.

13 Prem V Terenure 0-2. 14B V Neilstown 1-2. 15B1 V Kinvara 1-5. 18 Prem V Leicester 1-3.

**Soccer School of Excellence for the 5-7 year olds re-opens Sat. 12<sup>th</sup> Feb 1.30 – 2.30.**

**Car Parking** – The car park at the dressing rooms should be used when it is open. When it is not open, please park considerably – as residents of Ballyowen Park Estate have been unable to exit their own driveways and roads due to poor parking.

**Baby Congrats** to the Hoey Family on the arrival of the latest baby boy.



## LUCAN PITCH & PUTT CLUB

**Winter Leagues** sponsored by Port West is coming to a close. All teams are asked to turn up this Sunday in case of a play off. **Last week's results** – First scalp goes to Evelyn O'Gorman who beat Gerry Hennessy. Gerry thought he was going to be alone in his defeat but Hugh Rooney obliged us once again by being beaten by Trish Keegan. Then there was Patsy, yet again, beaten by Kathleen Croke and newcomer to the scalps George McMahon beaten by our Lady Captain Rita. Next week there is no less than 13 possible scalps. I can hardly contain my excitement at the thought of all these men praying they will win, but us ladies know better.

**Deepest sympathy** to the Grant family on the death of Podge Grant. R.I.P.

**E.G.M. Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> February 8.30 pm.**

**Annual Fees** are now due.

Ladies fun Saturday leagues postponed this week and resumes following Saturday at 1.30 pm.

Meeting point for all ladies attending the Italian wedding Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> Feb. (Invitation issued by Lady Captain Rita) bus stop Superquinn side at 6.45 pm.

Names now being taken for Pitch and Putt outing to McDonagh on the 12<sup>th</sup> March. Please see Bernie, Peggy or Kathleen.

**Mr & Mrs Competition** Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> Feb in celebration of Valentines Day. Plenty of prizes.

**Music by THE IMPS.**

Lots of work carried out on the course last week, flowerbeds in need of plants. All donations gratefully received!!

**Lotto** Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> Feb. No winner. 4 x €12.50 winners: Dermot Donovan; Dean Ryan; Madeline & Noel; Paul Dignam. Next weeks Lotto €1700.00.

## BEECH PARK F.C.

**U/15 DDSL:** B.P. 5-4 St. Joseph's. BP managed to come out on top in this thrilling 9-goal encounter at Griffeen Valley. The home side started off at lightening pace and soon swept into the lead with Michael Genocchi volleying home and they doubled their advantage through Fergal Douglas before the visitors pulled one back. Colin Ryan then put Beech further ahead from a Peter Kelly corner and home side increased their lead just before the break with Daniel Brady firing home after the keeper failed to hold a Niall Byrne free kick.

The second half saw St. Joseph's fight back and within minutes of the restart they had reduced the deficit and after play had swung from end to end to grab their third goal of the game to really set the game up for a thrilling finale. Beech managed to hold on though to secure a valuable win.

**U/17 DDSL:** BP 4 – 1 Sacred Heart. In this clash of old rivals, BP managed to overcome the conditions to come out on top. SH started off the brightest but were caught napping when Beech were awarded a free kick which was quickly taken by Andrew Fitzgibbon, resulting in him lobbing the keeper for Beech's opener. Although SC managed to pull one back, there was no reprieve for them and Beech added a fourth when Ian McNamara converted a Willie Coyne free kick.

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# CHURCH NOTICES – 13<sup>th</sup> February 2005

Sunday – 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent

St. Mary's  
Lucan



**Sunday Masses:** Vigil Saturday, 7.30 pm, 9, 10, 11, 12 noon and 7 pm

**Weekday Masses:** Monday to Friday, 7.45 am, 10 am and 7.30 pm

**Saturday** - 10 am only

**Novena Prayers** to our Blessed Lady after 10 am Mass each Monday during Lent

**Monday: Feast of St. Valentine**

**Confession Times:** Saturday, after 10 am Mass and from 12 – 12.30

**Baptisms:** 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month at 1 pm. Please give at least two weeks notice to avail of Preparation Programme. As numbers are limited to 8 children, please book before making arrangements.

† **Deepest Sympathy** to the husband and family of **Maureen Cullen**, late of Sarsfield Park. *May she rest in Peace.*

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**Weekday Masses:** Monday to Friday, 9.10 am, 10 am and 7.30 pm

**Saturday** – 10 am only

**Sacrament of Penance:** Saturdays after 10 am and 7.30 pm Masses

**Baptisms:** 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays at 12.45 pm and on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>

Saturdays at 12.30 pm. Booking will only be accepted from those living within the parish, up to four weeks prior to the Baptism. All Baptisms

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**Confessions:** Saturday after the Vigil

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