

TANEY News

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TANEY FETE

SATURDAY 11TH JUNE FROM 1 - 4 PM



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TANEY NEWS

The magazine is a vital means of communication in Taney and is distributed to every household in the parish free of charge. We hope you will agree that it is a top quality production that has been recognized at a diocesan and national level. If you would like to make a contribution to the publication costs please leave it on the collection plate or drop it into the Parish Office. Please mark the envelope 'Taney News'.

NEWS! NEWS! NEWS!

For all up-to-date news and information on forthcoming events, please check out the Parish Website www.taneyparish.ie

TANEY COFFEE SHOP

The coffee shop will close at the end of June for the summer break.

Dear Parishioner



Just as the seasons – Spring, Summer, Autumn and Winter – are the heartbeat of the calendar year, here in Taney, the publication of our award-winning Parish Magazine, ‘Taney News’, marks the advancing seasons of our parish calendar at Christmas, Easter, Summer and Harvest. I want to thank all those involved in the production and distribution of ‘Taney News’: The Rev. Bernie Daly, our editor, Karen Pappin, the lay-out designer, Tara and Maeve in the office, who print the magazine in-house, and our post-persons who deliver it to your door! This is a big, but important, undertaking and we are grateful to all involved.

You won't be able to read this edition of ‘Taney News’ without being aware that we are gearing up for our Parish Fête on Saturday, 11th June! Once again our hardworking Fête Committee members have been planning a wonderful programme for a great family day out that caters for all ages. Please do support their efforts, either by providing items for the various stalls or by offering to help out on one or other of the stalls on the day. The Fête is our most important fund-raiser during the year, as well as being a fantastic parish occasion, so do join in with your help and support and spread the word among your neighbours and friends encouraging them to attend.

Our thoughts and prayers are with our young people who are preparing now for their State Exams – both Junior and Leaving Certificate. We wish them all well at this stressful time and pray that they will be given the spirit of calmness to enable them to succeed. Best wishes to all!

The Easter General Vestry was held on Sunday, 10th April. Those who were appointed or elected to positions of responsibility in the parish for the coming twelve months are recorded elsewhere in this edition of Taney News. We thank those who have offered themselves in the service of the parish as well as those who served in the past year. In particular we are hugely indebted to Mark Armstrong who stood down as Honorary Secretary having held that position for the past three years. The Select Vestry will appoint a new Honorary Secretary at its meeting in June.

We thank those of you who returned the Parish Survey which was distributed with the last edition of Taney News. I mentioned some of the findings of this survey during my Address to the Easter Vestry. They are reported elsewhere in this edition of the magazine. Your views and comments are valuable to the clergy and the members of the Select Vestry in planning and providing the various Ministries of the Parish.

It has been a pleasure to have had The Rev'd Nigel Pierpoint serving his Deacon Internship here in Taney since last September. In that short time, Nigel has endeared himself to his colleagues and parishioners alike, bringing his particular talents of pastoral concern, relevance in preaching and organisation – all underpinned by a clarity of faith and unstinting enthusiasm. Nigel's internship will come to an end in June and we will have an opportunity to thank him more personally at our services on Sunday, 19th June. We wish him every blessing as he discerns his future ministry in the Church.

As we head into the Summer months, I do hope that you will be able to get some time for rest and recreation. If you are visiting other areas, do make a point of attending worship there. Parishes love to welcome visitors and do pass on the good wishes and greetings from Taney!

With every Blessing.

Robert

Rev. Canon Robert Warren
Rector

LETTER FROM CATHY

Is it possible that time moves faster and faster the deeper one goes into curacy? It certainly feels that way. On arriving every morning, the cones in place for the Stroke Rehab or different tables set for various groups, reminds me which day of the week it is and these regular occurrences seem to draw closer and closer as the weeks progress. Curacy in Taney has made me happier than I could have imagined. There are days of course, when difficult situations arise and I find myself praying in earnest for God's guidance. Never have I felt so utterly reliant on Him, nor have I felt his peace more acutely.

The more I witness the internal workings of the parish and the varied groups within it, the more I come to realise its potential. And yet so many people have fallen away from our churches nationwide. There seems to be a lesser need for God as central in the lives of many, or for worship as a community of faith. I understand the hurt and disillusionment that still remains from damage done in the past regarding church, yet I can't see the gifts of life, nature, love, family and relationships, without seeing Him deeply embedded in the very core of them.

I have discovered Him in the most difficult situations; in the persistent bravery of a young woman's recovery from the brink of death; in the young man's attempts to bring cheer in a place that is not home to Him; in the out-pouring of grief, and in the peace that falls at the end of a life. If we are to invest in God as love, to believe in Him with all that we are, and to need Him in our lives, we must also believe that He is there at the heart of all things. Some, immersed in deep hurt,

become impatient for God's response, but He is there in the process and any healing from hurt takes time for true recovery.

By the time you read this I will have taken part in two days of talks in the Glencree Centre for reconciliation. These talks facilitate the expression of hurt by those in the Anglican community in Northern Ireland deeply affected by the troubles in the past. This is a forum that provides the opportunity to speak without interruption, to be allowed the freedom of self-expression without judgement. Listening is the greatest gift of acceptance we can give to another person, mirrored completely from the life of Christ himself.

It is truly amazing how God guides and directs us in our lives. From the piece of writing for my degree entitled 'Speaking the Language of Hurt' a path is becoming more clearly cut towards reconciliation, with the desperate need to draw people back to church and to God with all that has hindered them from living a full and happy life with Him.

There are many thoughts turning to bible studies, talks and prayer series, to enable people to consider God's presence in a world that so desperately needs that spiritual connection with their Creator and I would be very keen to talk to anyone interested in this. In the meantime, I wish you every blessing and the ability to see God's hand in the simplest and the most challenging things in life.



LETTER FROM NIGEL PIERPOINT

It is hard to believe that my time in Christ Church and St Nahi's is almost over. I started in September of last year and will finish in June. Throughout my time, I have been welcomed by all of you into the family of the church, and both Anne and I are very grateful for your welcome. However, time does not stand still for any of us and like the seasons they change from autumn to summer to spring, winter and back to autumn again and so the cycle starts all over again, but yet each new season has it's own rewards. As the summer!!! has officially arrived it is time for all of us to renew our strength and refresh our bodies with a little bit

of rest and relaxation. Despite the sometimes-inclement weather, it is always nice to get the chance to recharge our batteries and have some fun.

All too often people think of the church as being a rather serious place to be, but the ministry team know when it is appropriate to raise a smile from the congregation in the pews. As God created us, he also gave us the ability to laugh. As a Christian community, our laughter binds us together and creates friendships and when dark days fall, we know that we can rely on the friends that surround each of us and that they are the people

who will help to bring some light back into our lives.

As the days lengthen, my prayer is this: please get out into the fresh air, enjoy family and friends and above all, have fun doing so. The bible informs us that 'A happy heart makes the face cheerful, but heartache crushes the spirit' (Proverbs 15:13).

May God bless you all during the summer and I hope and pray that you have a joyous time.





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SUMMER SERVICES IN TANEY

WEEK 1 OF EACH MONTH

Christ Church, Taney
10.15am – Parish Communion
7.00pm – Evening Service

St Nahi's, Dundrum
8.30am – Holy Communion
11.45am – Morning Prayer

WEEK 2 OF EACH MONTH

Christ Church, Taney
10.15am – Family Service & Baptism
7.00pm – Evening Service

St Nahi's, Dundrum
8.30am – Holy Communion
11.45am – Parish Communion

WEEK 3 OF EACH MONTH

Christ Church, Taney
10.15am – Parish Communion
7.00pm – Evening Service

St Nahi's, Dundrum
8.30am – Holy Communion
11.45am – Morning Prayer

WEEK 4 OF EACH MONTH

Christ Church, Taney
10.15am – Morning Prayer
7.00pm – Evening Service

St Nahi's, Dundrum
8.30am – Holy Communion
11.45am – Parish Communion

The Holy Communion is celebrated in Christ Church, Taney, on Wednesdays at 10.00am

There will be no 7.00pm evening Service on Sundays 5th June & 31st July (Bank Holiday Weekends).
Services on the 5th Sunday of the month as announced.

Easter Holy Communion (for those who are sick or housebound) will be administered by the clergy.
Please contact the office if you would like to receive Holy Communion at home.

COVER ARTWORK WINNERS

Congratulations to our cover winner Katie Louise Howe and also to our runner up winners, Isabella McClean and Aisling Espey on their fantastic artwork all from 3rd class, Taney Parish Primary School!



ISABELLA MCCLEAN



AISLING ESPEY

CHANCEL GUILD

Both Christ Church and St Nahi's were beautifully decorated on Saturday 26th March for church services on Easter Sunday. A big 'Thank You' to all who helped on the day and who contributed flowers and foliage. Thanks also to those who gave donations in memory of loved ones. The next festival coming up is Harvest which takes place in Christ Church on Sunday 2nd October. Decoration will take place on Saturday 1st October at 10am. Decoration of St Nahi's takes place on Saturday 8th October at 10am for Sunday Service on the 9th. All helpers will be most welcome (no experience needed) and any contribution of flowers, foliage and fruit will be most welcome.



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1916 COMMEMORATION SERVICES

On 24th April 1916, both Christ Church and St Nahi's Church marked the anniversary of the Easter Rising of 1916. At each service prayers were said for Ireland and for those who laid down their lives during the civil unrest at the time of the Rising. Prayers for war-torn countries and for victims of war were also included in the services. Miss Louie Lloyd, a parishioner of Taney parish who was born in 1916, was asked to read a lesson during the service. Louie's advancing years prevented her from attending the actual service, but she kindly allowed a recording of her reading to be played at both services. A second reading in Irish was read by Tom Gilmore (Christ Church) and Ida Reed (St Nahi's).

The sermon was preached by Rev'd Canon Patrick Comerford, historian and lecturer in Anglican studies and liturgy in The Church of Ireland Theological Institute. Giving a wonderful account of the history surrounding the Rising, Canon Comerford suggested that there were four types of feeling that people might have experienced in the lead up to the commemorations: a sense of national pride; '1916 Fatigue'; upset at the 1916 commemorations displacing the Easter celebrations; feelings of alienation. He went on to say that none of these feelings were mutually exclusive.

Parishioners at the well-attended services were very grateful to Canon Comerford for shedding light on some Church of Ireland members who were involved or who died during the Rising, including the late Patrick Doyle, whose family was present in St Nahi's Church for the service.

For a full transcript of Canon Comerford's sermon, please follow this hyperlink:

St Nahi's: <http://www.patrickcomerford.com/2016/04/remembering-1916-national-shall-not.html>

SONGS OF PRAISE

A congregation of over 350 people attended the Ecumenical Songs of Praise Service in Christ Church Taney on Sunday evening 17th April. In addition to the choirs of Taney Parish, clergy, choirs and members of the congregations of Dundrum Methodist Church, St. John's Church Ballinteer, Kiltarnan, Tullow, Tallaght and Whitechurch attended. We were also joined by Wesley College Junior Girls Choir and the St. John's Gospel Choir from Ballinteer. The parish Fellowship Committee provided a reception following the service which gave those present an opportunity to socialise together. A retiring collection of €400 in aid of the Laura Lynn Foundation was subsequently presented to their Fundraising Manager, Elizabeth O'Riordan.

LENTEN LUNCHESES

Once again the Lenten Lunches have been a great success, raising over €2,500. Special thanks to Heather Rutledge and Vera Warren and all the helpers who worked so hard to make these lunches a happy occasion in the parish while making a valuable contribution where it is needed. And of course special thanks are due to everyone who supported the lunches in 2016. We look forward to seeing everyone again next year!

TANEY SUMMER ART SCHOOL

This year, due to pressure of time, the Summer Art School will take on a slightly different format. Instead of the usual six to eight mornings, the classes will take place over four days. Beginning on Wednesday 13th July and ending on Wednesday 3rd August, the timetable will be as follows:

10.30am tea or coffee and settling down time.
1.00pm lunch break (bring your own sandwiches – tea and coffee provided).
4.00pm class ends.

You are of course free to leave at an earlier time if necessary.

I hope we can repeat the fun we have created in previous years. Please ring the parish office if you would like to reserve a place.
Bernie





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THE PARISH SURVEY

WHAT YOU TOLD US!

The following is a synopsis of the returns received from you, the parishioners, in response to the Parish Survey which was distributed with the Easter edition of Taney News.

The focus of the survey can be divided into the following categories:

- Church – the buildings and the Worship, Liturgy and attendance patterns
- The Clergy & Pastoral Support
- The Parish Community
- The Parish Facilities
- Youth Involvement
- Parish Organisations
- Parish Communication and Administration

Respondents were asked in many incidents to rate various aspects of the parish on a scale of 1 to 5, where 5=excellent; 4=Good; 3=Average; 2=poor; 1=very poor.

IN RELATION TO "CHURCH":

- 70% of respondents attend worship either weekly or fortnightly.
- 93% of respondents rated Christ Church as either excellent or good.
- 83% of respondents rated St. Nahi's as either excellent or good.
- 90% of respondents rated Morning Prayer Services as either excellent or good.
- 91% of respondents rated family Services as either excellent or good.
- 84% of respondents rated Holy Communion Services as either excellent or good
- 80% of respondents rated Evening Service as either excellent or good.
- 88% of respondents rated the music as either excellent or good.
- 84% of respondents said they were made feel welcome when they came to church.
- 79% of respondents rated the after Service hospitality as either excellent or good.

IN RELATION TO THE CLERGY:

- 91% said they were satisfied with the level of pastoral support. 7% said they were not.
- 16% said they would like a visit from the Clergy. 71% said they would not!

THE PARISH COMMUNITY

- 95% said they felt part of the Parish Community. 5% said they did not.
- 64% said they thought there was a strong link between the parish and the school.
- 36% felt there was not.

PARISH FACILITIES:

- 88% rated the Parish Centre facilities as either excellent or good.

COMMUNICATION & ADMINISTRATION:

- 85% of respondents thought the website was either excellent or good.
- 7% think it is poor.
- 85% of respondents rated Taney News magazine as either excellent or good. Only 2% think poor.
- 51% of respondents receive Taney News Extra by e-mail.



The comments received under the various headings are almost as diverse as the number who chose to comment!

However, the following are generalisations:

In relation to Church: Choose more familiar hymns – keep sermons to 10 minutes. St. Nahi's needs a toilet.

In relation to Parish Community: Some more work needed on a friendly welcome and a few more social events.

Link with the School: Organise joint events and share more information between church & school.

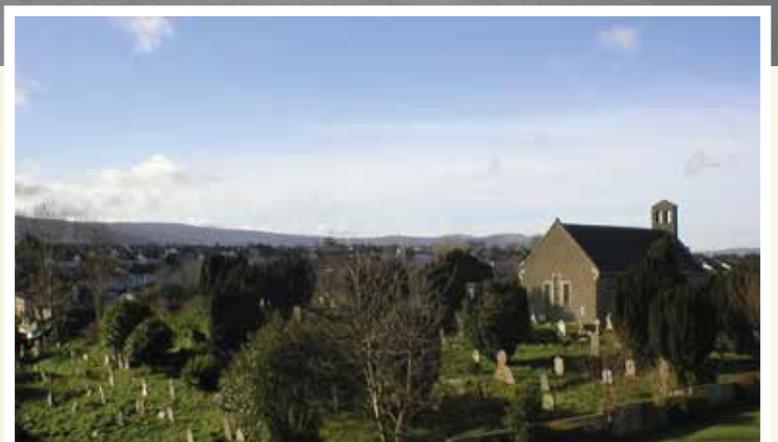
Parish Facilities: Parts of the Parish Centre look a bit tired. Could do with being 'freshened up'. Provide Internet access. Notice Boards could be improved.

Clubs & Societies: Consider providing a 'Men's Club' & a 'Book Club'.

Communication & Administration: A better thought out communication strategy required. Taney News to include more 'reflective' articles and 'Letters to the Editor' section. Needs more 'meat'!

All this provides us with food for thought and will provide the Clergy and Select Vestry with valuable data as they consider ways to improve the various aspects of Parish life which affects us all.

We thank the sub-committee who planned and analysed the survey – but especially to those of you who took the time and trouble to complete it and to give us your thoughts and suggestions.





TANEY FÊTE 2016

SATURDAY 11TH JUNE FROM 1 – 4 PM

WE NEED YOUR HELP, WE CAN'T DO IT WITHOUT YOU

Taney Fête is just around the corner and we are looking for your support to ensure a great day for everyone.

Donations of items for stalls may be left at the Parish Centre from May 30th onwards.

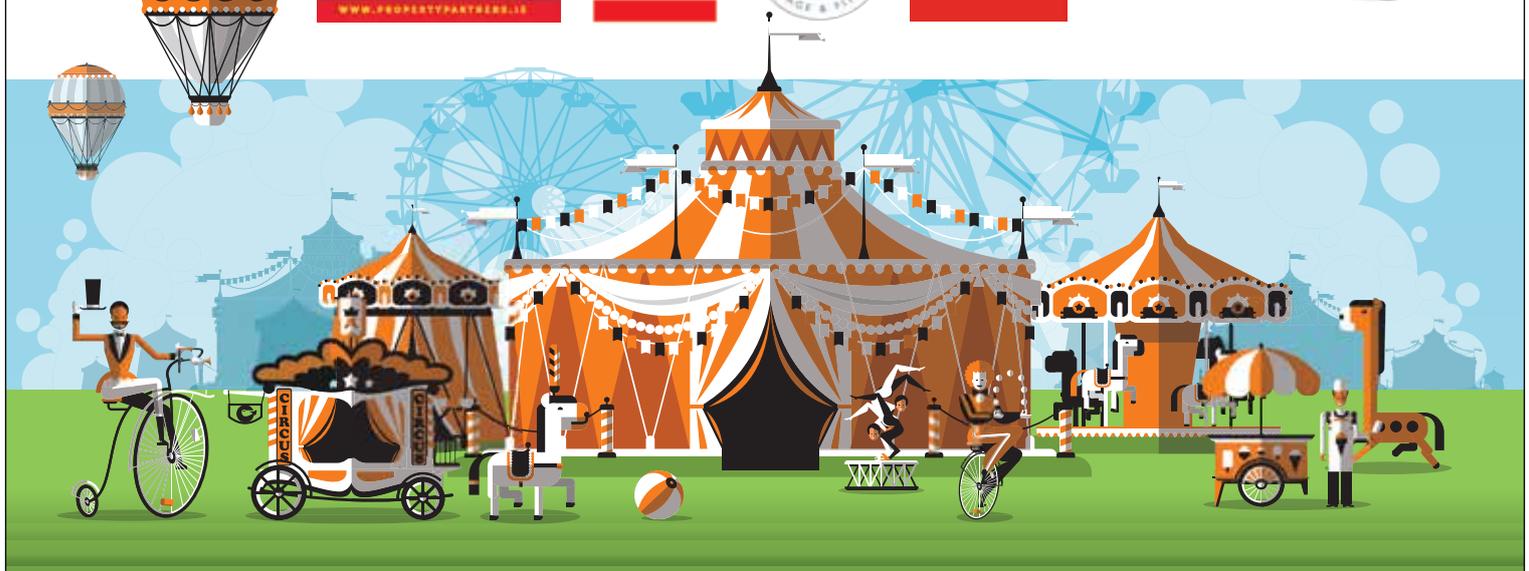
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Clothes – Known far and wide for its range of fabulous and affordable fashions for all ages, the Taney Fashion Outlet needs you to donate all those items that have you haven't worn in the past year! Clothes, shoes, handbags and jewellery in good condition are welcome! Contact Suki Gray on 086 823 4685

White Elephant & Bric-a-Brac – De-clutter your house and clear out those cupboards – we are looking for good quality curios, ornaments, lamps, pictures, plates, crockery etc. – anything old or new in good condition please! Contact Jean Corrigan on (01) 4944424

Granny's Attic – We're not fussy about who owns the attic as long as you have the owner's permission!! Any unwanted gifts, sports and garden equipment, furniture (no sofas, beds or electrical goods). Please note that all items must be in working order. Items can be delivered to the church ground before 7pm on Friday 10th June. If you have a large item to sell, take a photo of it - we will hang it up with your contact details.
Contact Catherine McCann on 087 935 6949

Plant Stall – A firm favourite with keen gardeners, the plant stall needs donations of new or established seedlings or cuttings. Plants can be dropped off the day before or on the day of the Fête before 10am.
Contact Michael Burgess on 087 243 4468

Book Stall – Are you really going to read those books a second time? Why not donate them and make room on your bookshelf for all the exciting new books that await you at the Fête! CDs, DVDs and console games are also welcome! No videos please! Contact Katherine Stroughair on 087 678 2544

Health & Beauty Stall - Your unwanted and unused 'smellies', cleansers, moisturisers, soaps and perfumes will be gratefully received. Contact Jane Arpac on 087 978 3677

Bottle Stall – We need bottles – lots and lots of bottles! Collections at the Church doors on Sunday May 22nd, May 29th and June 5th and at Taney Parish Primary School during the week beginning June 6th.
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Raffle - We need donations and/or prizes for raffle – if you can help us, please email taneyFete@gmail.com or contact the parish office at (01) 2985491

Please note, there is no Crockery Smash game this year, so we would ask that any crockery donated is in good and saleable condition.



TANEY ECO

Remember the environment during your Holidays. Often the biggest impact your holiday has on the environment is the journey to and from your destination. Plan carefully as less is more.

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Continue to reuse and recycle while you are away. Ask in your accommodation about their recycling policy. Even if there isn't any, promote awareness and that may bring improvement by next year. Consumer demand is very powerful.

Consume locally. Buy and eat local food to reduce air miles. Ask about locally produced specialties. Many areas, even within Ireland, have their own cheese, sausages, beer, bread etc. The Farmer's Market and Food Trails are a good source of new food producers. Buy local Art and Crafts as they create a good memory of your holiday and a much better souvenir than something shipped from far away.

Praise and compliment anybody producing sustainably - they need to know it is appreciated and you will probably be rewarded with a smile!

Finally, enjoy your summer. Fresh air, plenty of sleep, good food and company will prepare us for the winter ahead.

Carol Newburn



TANEY INDOOR BOWLING CLUB

Once again the Bowling Club were victorious in 2016 and the Price Cup, which is an inter-church competition, will nestle with us until 2017. Apparently this is the first time that any Club has won the cup in two consecutive years. The victorious team is (standing L t R) – Willie Dixon, Maureen Flanagan, F Uhlehamm, Stanley Rowe. (seated L to R) – N Uhlemann, Dermot Dunne, Hazel Armstrong and M Mc Ewen.

BIBLE STUDY/PRAYER GROUP NOTES

This year we have used Scripture Union notes and studied parts of St Matthew's Gospel and also the prophet, Jeremiah. We gave up on the latter and chose instead 'When God Surprises' by Richard Bewes. We are privileged to pray for a long list of parishioners and others, who are sick or in need. We also include in our prayers countries where there is strife, famine or persecution. As usual, we finish on the last Friday in May, followed by lunch at a local hostelry. We hope to resume on the last Friday in September. New members are most welcome. THE FELLOWSHIP IS GOOD!

MOTHERS' UNION

Mothers' Union came to the end of another season with our AGM and Bring & Buy sale in May. Our treasurer presented the accounts and the outgoing committee was thanked for all their work over the last few years. Dorothy Blain, Colette Brooks, Carol Robinson and Jennifer Sloane agreed to help put together a programme for the new session which will now run from October to April. Stephanie Lloyd will remain as treasurer and Amy Hourie as an ex officio member.

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Taney Drama Society will return to the parish centre for our next production on Friday 17th June at 8pm. This is going to be a special night of varied relaxed entertainment in the traditional Taney Way. We have a one-act farce, singing, quiz, raffle... Our interval refreshments on offer include tea, coffee, homemade cakes and a glass of wine if you're not driving! It won't be a late night — we promise to bring down the curtain before sunset. To book tickets for you and your friends contact the parish office or email info@taneydramasociety.com and join us for our Midsummer Soirée!

TANEY LAWN TENNIS CLUB

The tennis club opened on time this season on 30th April; the weather has been getting better since then and the courts are playing very well considering we're still in May. Juvenile coaching started on Monday 16th and Tuesday 17th May with lots of new and budding tennis players from Taney School. It's so wonderful to witness their excitement as they run down Taney Road on a Tuesday after school with their tennis racquets. Some of the Mums and younger siblings have picnics on the grass as the coaching takes place. Lynda and Nicola Levis do a wonderful job and they have a team of club member helpers working alongside them. An open day was held on Saturday 21st May with our traditional afternoon tea and tennis for the adults. Tennis for the juveniles will go on throughout the summer. Any parishioners interested in coming to the club to 'try us out' are very welcome and for more information please contact Margaret Nevin, Hon Secretary at 087 2322308.

A single pink rose with green leaves is preserved in a clear glass jar. The jar is filled with water and sits on a thick, circular cork base. The background is a soft, out-of-focus brown.

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CONFIRMATION 2016

It was a pleasure to have Archbishop Michael Jackson with us in Taney when he confirmed twenty-three of our young people from the Parish and Wesley College on Sunday, 8th May. Thanks to David Adams and the Choir for their contribution to the Service. Thanks to Tara and the Curate for their work in preparing the Candidates and thanks to all who attended the Confirmation service to support – Joni Adams, Juliette Arpac, Elizabeth Barnardo Byrne, Richard Brophy, Megan Culbert, Alex Dunlop, Maddie Field, Carla Hudson, Zoë Hutchison, Lizzy Kennedy, Chloe Lindsay, Peter Maher, Jed Maloney, Jamie Metchette, Sophia Moore, Zak Moran, Tadgh O'Neill, Robin O'Shaughnessy, Jack Smalley, Kyle Wallace. **Wesley College Boarders:** Naomi Knaggs, Daniel Plunkett and Bill Mitchell.

Please continue to remember our young people in your prayers.

YOUTH NEWS

As things begin to slowly wind down for the summer holidays, we in Taney have several things to celebrate from the past school term. The first is renewed promises, as twenty-three of our young people made their confirmation in April; a wonderful group of varied talents and high energy. We remember them in our prayers as they continue on their journey of faith and welcome them as a valuable part of our community of faith.

Rory and Armina, our Youth Leaders look forward to drawing this term's Youth Club to a close with a visit to Jump Zone and plans are already being put in place for next September. Our Service and Sausages every month has been moved from the Church to the Overend Room, a smaller and more intimate venue, with the service itself now presented on screen. Each month focuses on a theme and we look

forward to inviting guest speakers and other creative activities around each month's theme. As food is served after each service we encourage parents to take part in tea and coffee too.

We are excited to announce the beginning of the long-awaited Taney worship band with a music workshop taking place in August of this year for all those willing to take part and we are most grateful to Suzanne Chadwick for her expert help in organizing this. We have a great variety of talent within our large parish and we hope that the band will take part in some of our Youth and Family Services.

As this is the final Taney News before the Summer Holidays, we wish all our young people a great summer, the best of luck to all those doing exams and we look forward to seeing you all next September.

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JUNIOR CHOIR

This exceptionally busy year is drawing to a close for the Junior Choir. In the months since last September we have sung at eleven morning services at Taney, participated in carol singing at St Ann's Church Dawson Street, sung in St Patrick's Cathedral and, of course, featured in the live broadcast service on RTE television. We also enjoyed a visit from the Junior Choir from Kilternan Parish in February, and made a return visit in May to sing with them at their Summer Fête. And along the way we found time to have a choir pizza party at Milanos! Wednesday afternoon practices continue to be lively affairs, and we have enjoyed learning a large repertoire of songs for all our commitments throughout the year.

The choir has enhanced our Family Services with their spirited singing and forged a strong bond amongst its members. A huge thank you goes to all the parents for their support and to all the talented children!

The last choir practice will be on June 8th, followed by the final Family Service on June 12th before the summer break. The Junior Choir is always happy to welcome new members who will commit to regular attendance at choir practice and at Family Services. Please contact Suzanne Chadwick on 087 757 4156 if your child is interested in joining.



TANEY TOTS

We've had a busy and buzzing few months at Toddler group, with many new faces joining us, and plenty of familiar ones!

It's fantastic to meet so many Mums, Dads, Grandparents and Minders, together with their babies and toddlers and to chat over tea, coffee and biscuits.

Thank you to the Mums for your help to us over the past few weeks, it's been greatly appreciated. As always, to ensure that this brilliant group continues, we urgently need more parish members to help out with the general running of the group.

For more information, visit our Facebook page; Taney Tots, Taney Parish, or contact Louise White on 087 829 4481.



TANEY BROWNIES

Taney Brownies are coming to the end of a busy year. The highlight of the past term was the pack holiday to Larch Hill in the Dublin Mountains. We had a Wild West theme; the girls made cowboy hats and neckerchiefs and masqueraded as sheriffs and outlaws for the weekend. The weather was bright and sunny so they spent the days outside exploring nature and discovering the delights of the climbing wall.

They built birds' nests and learned to trust their partners as they walked blindfold through the forest. Nights were spent singing and toasting marshmallows around the campfire. All made new friends and went home with a new confidence – for many this was their first trip away without their parents.

We continued to capitalise on the good weather with a meeting in Ballawley Park where the girls climbed trees and honed their observational skills. It is with sadness that we said goodbye to Snowy Owl (Julie Rance), who has been a much-loved leader for many years, but we wish her all the best in her new job. She has promised us that she will continue to come on pack holidays with us in the future! We are also saying goodbye to our older Brownies and hope that they will continue on to Guides in the autumn.

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TANEY SCHOOL PTA

The Summer Term is by far the busiest term for the PTA! After an early Easter break we had over 300 pupils, together with their parents, singing and laughing their way around Marlay Park for our Sponsored Walk on 28th April. Pupils from Junior Infants to 6th Class took part on our 3.2km hike around Marlay Park on an evening that was reminiscent of mid-winter. Our Junior Infants were just about to start off the walk at 5.00pm when everyone had to run for cover from the deluge of hailstones. However, this certainly didn't dampen spirits, the pupils had a great time! Thanks to everyone who supported our walk. The money raised went towards replacing sports equipment and contributing towards school tours to reduce the cost for parents.

We had our mid-term break for a week in May, returning on the 9th May, and our Junior Swimming Display was on Wednesday 11th May in Loughlinstown Swimming Pool. Pupils from 2nd Class and 3rd Class showed their parents the various strokes they had been practising throughout the year. Everyone left clutching a medal and a certificate with smiles on their faces! Our Senior Swimming Display will take place on Wednesday 15th June and will involve pupils from 4th and 5th classes.

The parents of our September 2016 Junior Infants visited the School on 18th May. They went away with lots of information for the autumn term, and the PTA provided tea and coffee and a friendly chat afterwards. The new Junior Infant children came to visit the School and to meet their respective teachers. Plenty of excited if somewhat apprehensive faces!

Our annual School Concert took place in the school on Tuesday 24th May with lots of pupils taking part, displaying their musical and singing talents.

We have an excellent committee in Taney School who have tirelessly worked towards our Active Flag. Well done to all the pupils who took part in the 'Run to New York' to achieve this. We also have an Active Week coming up on the 30th May.

Our sports programme is drawing to a close after a very successful year. Our boys' and girls' hockey



and soccer teams have had a great season and our Summer Sports Programme for our 4th, 5th and 6th classes will be finishing up soon, having covered cricket, athletics and rounders. Our Morton Cup (a seven-a-side soccer tournament) took place on Wednesday 25th May. Pupils from 2nd to 6th class took part and it was a great evening.

Upcoming events include our Sports Day which will be held on Friday 3rd June – let's hope we have a sunny day! Our Irish Dancing Display will be held in the School on Thursday 9th June. The PTA, together with volunteers, will run the tea and coffee stall at the Taney Fête. Our AGM will be held on Wednesday 15th June in the school where we will be welcoming new members to the PTA and the Sports Committee.

Our 6th Class pupils will be going to pastures new in September but have managed to pack in a lot in their last term. They enjoyed their tour to the Chocolate Warehouse and will be visiting W5 in Belfast at the end of June. As well as taking part in various sporting activities and summer sports programme they will be taking part in a Cycling Safety Training Course and running the Taneyvision talent show. The 6th Class Graduation ceremony will take place on Friday 26th June with a service in the church followed by refreshments in the school.

School closes on Tuesday 30th June for well-deserved summer holidays.

OLD WESLEY

Rugby Football Club



Best wishes and every success to Taney Parish at their annual Fête event on Saturday 11th June 2016 from everyone involved in mini and youth rugby.



Our new season starts on Sunday 4th September 2016 with registration in our Junior Training grounds on Ballycorus Road, Kilternan, Dublin 18.

Check our website for further info at
www.oldwesley.ie

A Day in the Life... *Viv Cox* Chairperson of Taney School P.T.A.

When I was asked to do 'A Day in the Life' . . . my first thought was how could I possibly pick a day that would suit and fill it with interesting things. My normal day starts with that noise we all know and love, the dreaded alarm clock that always goes off too early, 6.30am in my house. I generally get myself organized before I wake my cherubs who slide out of bed muttering something about it's too early! I have two daughters, Abbey who is in 6th Class and Kate who is in 4th Class in Taney School. The girls have been so happy in Taney School and both myself and Brian, my husband, are delighted they are there, Brian having been a past pupil himself.

Having finally managed to get the whole family downstairs for breakfast we then dance around one another, making lunches, packing schoolbags, doing hair (needless to say my husband runs from the last task) and feeding our various animals. My youngest daughter, Kate, fancies herself as Dr. Dolittle; we have a dog, a rabbit and some fish to contend with before finally getting everyone into the car after the usual cries of 'Hurry up, we'll be late!' Having arrived and parked on Stoney Road we walk to the school and once my girls are entrenched in their classrooms I have six hours to myself, or so I tend to think!

I like to go for a hike up Three Rock at least once a week with a pal and our dogs and I try to go for a jog two or three times a week. Unfortunately it doesn't always work out that way. However, I do find it's important to switch off from everything including technology for a few mornings a week to ensure good

head space. Once refreshed, I head home, turn my attention to upcoming events and answer a few emails – I also try to fit in a bit of housework, good intentions and all!

When my daughters started school I gave up my job as a Legal Executive in a busy Dublin solicitors' office. I honestly don't know how I ever managed early motherhood and a full time job.



Joining the PTA in Taney School two years ago has brought a new business to my life. Since taking over as Chairperson last year and because I will be continuing in office for a second year, my free time has dwindled to say the least. I work with a fantastic team of parents and teachers on the PTA, including the School Principal Mrs. Carpenter, who has been so supportive and very professional during my term. I would normally touch base with Mrs. Carpenter and keep up-to-date with upcoming events etc. on a regular basis. One of my predecessors, Elaine Bowers, once mentioned that you would need a degree in event planning for the job – and she wasn't wrong.

We are coming to the end of our school year having had a very successful fundraising year. In the coming autumn term, our main fundraiser will kick off with the School Fair in October. This is a mammoth task of organizing, delegating and precision planning. Everyone on the team gets a job and we hit the ground running from the start of September. Sure there are a few mini heart attacks along the way (generally mine in the middle of the night wondering if I have forgotten this or that) but it all works out in the end and runs very smoothly. I think one of the main things to aim for is good communication and planning, not only within the PTA but also with the school and the parents. Realizing that my six hours seem to condense into one hour while the girls are in school, I find myself back on Stoney Road for collection at 2.15pm. Having finished a lot of their afterschool activities at this time of year, Abbey, Kate and I find that we have a few afternoons where we can simply head home and either chill out or take the dog for a walk before sitting down to a family dinner and a chat about our day.

When I moved to Dublin from Cork many moons ago, I was instantly impressed with the sense of community surrounding Taney Parish. Brian is originally from Larchfield Road, where his parents still live and it was a natural step to send our children to Taney School to follow in their Dad's footsteps. We are very proud to be a part of this community and I am delighted to have the opportunity to give something back to Taney School as the last eight years there (and two more to go) have been filled with happy memories, funny stories and great friends.

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Holy Baptism

20th March (in St. Nahi's) – Matilda Elizabeth, daughter of Andrew and Emma Macken.

10th April (in Christ Church) – Jane Eleanor Margaret, daughter of James and Robin Fitzgerald.

10th April (in Christ Church) – Devin Sean, son of Gareth and Wendy Quill.

22nd May 2016 (in Christ Church) – Sybil Daisy, daughter of Andrew Quin and Susannah Hewson.

22nd May 2016 (in Christ Church) – Lauren Jacqueline, daughter of Claire and Gary Murray

Marriages

2nd April (in St. Ann's Church, Dawson Street) – Trine Jensen and Noel Burke.

Funerals

6th May 2016 (in Christ Church) – Hans Cazzini.

Bereavements

Our sympathy and prayers are with all who have recently been bereaved, remembering especially:-
Mark Armstrong and family on the death of Mark's father, Cecil Armstrong.

Nicola Woods and family on the death of Nicola's father, Robert Twigg.

Jasmin Hourie and Carol Fox and their families on the death of their mother, Doris Gaw.

Gladys Rafter and family on the death of Gladys's father, Benny Myers.

Hazel Cazzini and family on the death of Hazel's father, Ronnie Dorran.

Carole Pappin and family on the death of her sister-in-law, Miriam Curtis.

Julie Whiriskey and Dermot Strong on the death of Julie's sister Jane Whiriskey.

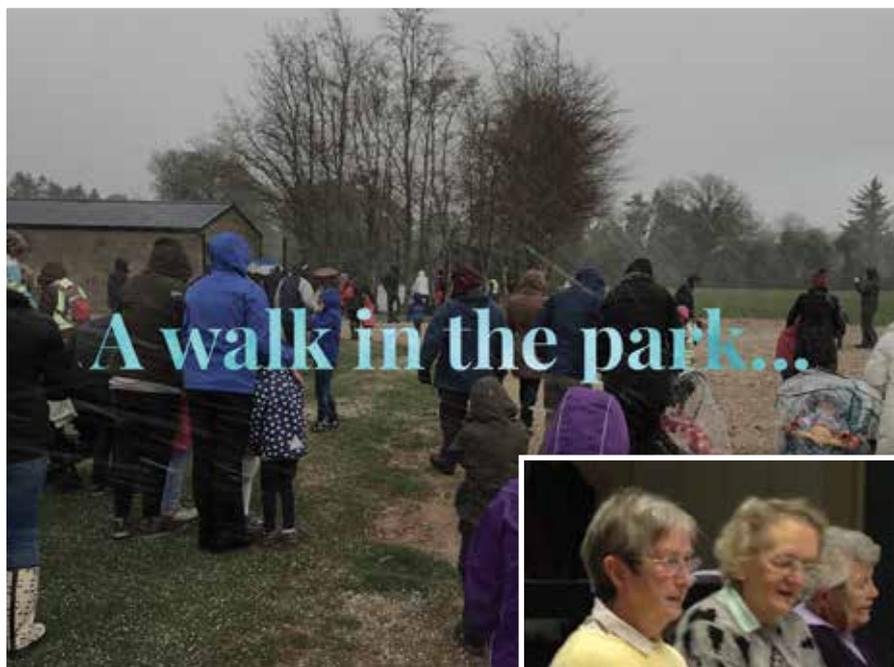
Ivan Rafter and family on the death of Ivan's niece, Jane Whiriskey.

Mark Cazzini and family on the death of Mark's father, Hans Cazzini.

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