FÉILE LACHTAIN 2022

St. Lachtain's 1400th ANNIVERSARY 622 - 2022

The Millennium Quater Centenary (MQC) Commemoration

EVENT SCHEDULE

March 19th

St. Lachtain's Feast Day - Launch of festival

Church Service "Celebrating our Shared Christian Heritage" at 3.00 p.m in St. Lachtain's C of I with procession to St. Lachtain's RC Church to conclude ceremony. Reception afterwards in Community Hall.

April 17th

Easter Event

War of Independence Commemoration on the Green after Easter Sunday Mass.

April 23/24th

Kilkenny Fleadh Cheoil in Freshford

Events taking place at: the Green, Community Hall and Church of Ireland.

May 6th

Edmund Fitzpatrick Weekend. Margaret Allen Day

Launch of Ned Kennedy's booklet on artist Edmund Fitzpatrick 8.00 p.m. with a weekend exhibition of available paintings & illustrations.

May 7th

Lecture on artist Margaret Allen by Ms. Derville Murphy 3.00 p.m.

May 20th

Lecture on St. Lachtain's Church and Doorway

Speakers: Ms. Margaret Quinlan, RIAI and Dr. Rachel Moss of Trinity College. St. Lachtain's C of I at 7.00 p.m.

Open Air Community Art Event led by Ms. Rachel Burke with KCEBT

June 10th

Open Air Painting on the Green for children of Scoil Lachtain

June 11/12th Open Air Painting on the Green for community & family.

June 26th St. Lachtain's Cemetery Mass at 11.00 a.m.

June 26th Vintage Car Rally on the Green from 1.00 p.m.

MQC Pilgrimage day

July 10th

Pilgrimage Walk to the Church ruins at Clashacrow, then to Ballylarkin returning to the Green - a fundraiser for Ionad Lachtain - donations welcome. 1.00 p.m from the Green.

Art Exhibition in conjunction with Kilkenny Arts Festival

August 4/14th Art exhibition by local artists, curated by Marie Cleere, in St. Lachtain's Church of Ireland. 11.00 - 4.00 each day.

Heritage Week Events

August 15th

"Excavations at St. Lachtain's Church of Ireland" Lecture by Mr. Colin Ó Drisceoil

August 19th

Launch of Mike Cormack's book of parish photos and his survey of 20th century home ownership in Freshford village. 8.00 p.m at Ionad Lachtain.

MQC Commemorative Events

September 9th

"Shrine of St. Lachtain's Arm" Lecture by Dr. Griffin Murray of UCC. 7.00 p.m in Ionad Lachtain.

September TBC Unveiling of MQC commemorative stone benches.

MQC Concerts

October 8th

The Rafter Family at St. Lachtain's R.C Church at 8.00 p.m

October 15th St. Canice's Cathedral Choir and Organist St. Lachtain's Church Of Ireland at 8.00 p.m.

MQC Closing

Mass with the spiritual songs of Elvis Presley sung by Alexander Rafter.

November 12th at St. Nicholas's Church, Tulla at 7.30 p.m (Saturday evening Mass) November 13th at St. Lachtain's Church, Freshford at 11.00 a.m (Sunday Morning Mass)

Additional events: Sports weekend and additional lectures TBC.

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