

Comedy night raises thousands in aid of St Mary of the Angels

ABOVE: Diane Breen. Bernard Casey. Laura Fitzpatrick. FredCooke, John Coolery, Joyce **Bambury and Conor** Crowley at the Live **Comedy Fundraiser** in aid of St Mary of the Angels at the Inn Between, Beaufort on Friday. Photo by Michelle

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By STEPHEN FERNANE

DESCRIBED as a comedy night to remember, a total of €3,250 was raised for St Mary of the Angels as part of a special soldout event held at The Inn Between Bar, Beaufort last Friday evening.

Comedians Fred Cooke (of The Tommy Tiernan Show) and John Colleary (of Savage Eye fame) travelled from Dublin, while the popular Portmagee comedian Bernard Casey - who has just auditioned for Britain's Got Talent - also entertained a packed audience who thoroughly enjoyed the novel occasion - the first fundraiser of its kind for St Mary of the Angels which is nearby.

The comedians did the gig for free, recognising the importance that the facility has to residents and their families and, given the success of this inaugural event, there is every indication it's set to become an annual night as other comedians around the country are interested in performing.

"It was a huge success and it couldn't have got better," said co-organiser Laura Fitzpatrick.

"No sooner was it over when people were asking about doing the same event again next year.



Tim and Niamh Corcoran, Bernard Sweeney, Caitriona and Catherine Kelly at the Live Comedy Fundraiser in aid of St Mary of the Angels at the Inn Between, Beaufort on Friday.



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We're very grateful to the three for free as it's a cause they becomedians for doing the event lieve strongly in supporting."