## **Band Report 2022**

The Band continues to come together to practice although the number of players is about half of what is needed for a full brass band. We took part in the Parish Carol Service in St Peter's Church in December last year. Only the Band and Choirs were in the Church due to Covid restrictions in place at the time. The band was able to start practices again in February of 2022 and we took part in a concert on St Patrick's Day in the Parish Centre, this was the first time this event was held since St Patrick's Day 2019 and the Band was treated to a standing ovation at the conclusion of the short concert.

St. Patrick's Day 2022 marked the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of St Peter's GAA Band appearing in public in the town. There will be two events to mark this milestone, on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> of November the Band will play at the 11.30 Mass in St Peter's and deceased members will be prayed. We hope to have a concert on Friday the 2<sup>nd</sup> of December in the Parish Centre.

The Band were saddened to lose their President, Barney Carr and played when his remains were received into the church. Barney had been influential in having the band established in the club and was our Secretary for many years he always had the welfare of the Band at heart ar dheis Dé go raibh a anam uasal.

On a happier note we were delighted to be asked to play at the 90<sup>th</sup> birthday party of Jim O'Hanlon, a member of the band for many years, and the band's contribution was greatly appreciated by the those attending.