

ST MANMANS NEWSLETTER

Second Sunday of Lent

Sunday 1st March 2015

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Phone: 057-864-8030

Parish Website: www.clonasleeparish.com

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WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 8 pm Sunday 10 am

WEEKDAY MASSES

Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs 9 am

Friday – 1st Friday 7:30 pm

CONFESSIONS

Every 1st Friday before 7:30 pm Mass.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptisms available on Saturdays. To arrange a date contact 057-864-8030.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

It is advisable to give 6 months' notice of your intention to marry to the Church and the Registrar. Contact 057-864-8030 to book the church. All couples getting married must

ALTAR SERVERS

Sat March 7th – Team D: Darragh Scully, James Daly, Olivia Rigney

Sun March 8th – Team D: Ellen Doyle, Rachael O'Meara

ANNIVERSARIES

Saturday 28th February – 8 pm

Months Mind, Donal Maher, Clarahill

Months Mind, Angela O'Gorman, Lissane

Months Mind, Desmond Dain, London

Winnie & Tom Delaney, Brocca

John Bracken, Coolagh

Elizabeth McCann & deceased members of the

McCann Family, Cush

Sunday 1st March – 10 am

Noreen Foyne, Ballykaneen

Saturday 7th March – 8 pm

Tom Smith, Bellair & Young Family, Ashbrook

Deceased members of Clonaslee United Soccer

Club

James & Julia Casey, The Derries

Lil Rosney & her parents, Patrick & Catherine,
Broughla

Sunday 8th March – 10 am

Paddy Breen, Sliabh Bloom Park

Peter & Margaret Maher & deceased members of the Maher Family, Ballinalug.

Pray for Mary McCann who died during the week.

VISITATION OF THE SICK

The sick and invalids of the parish will be visited Thurs 5th March and Fri 6th March in the morning.

ADORATION

Adoration of Blessed Sacrament takes place Friday 6th March from 10am – 7 pm in the Fr Shortall Room.

FRIDAY PENANCE DURING LENT

Make a special effort at family prayer, make the Stations of the Cross, do something to help the poor, sick or lonely, make a special effort to avail of the Sacrament of Reconciliation, abstain from meat or some other food.

1st COMMUNION PROGRAMME

The First Communion programme continues next Sunday March 8th at the 10 am Mass.

TRÓCAIRE

Trócaire boxes are available at all church doors. Take a box for your family.

CHOIR PRACTICE

Choir practice for Confirmation on Tues march 3rd at 7 pm. All members are invited to come along.

PRO-LIFE EVENT AT DÁIL

Pro-Life event on Wed 11th March from 7-8 pm outside the Dáil, challenging media bias on the abortion issue. In one fortnight recently, 33 articles appeared in national newspapers pushing for more abortion, with just 1 pro-life article during the same period. Please attend this event. For more info or to help organise a bus call 0857-266-8702.

Clonaslee United Soccer Club

The club are 25 years in existence and we wish them many more years into their Golden Jubilee.

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DINNER DANCE

Clonaslee United 25th Anniversary Dinner Dance is on Friday March 6th. Tickets cost €40 and available from Flynn's Post Office.

TIDY TOWNS

Tidy Towns meeting on Tuesday March 3rd at 8:30 pm in the Community Centre. Please note change of date. We would like to see a representative from each house in the village and also business people. This meeting is to plan projects for the National entry this year. We welcome all ideas put forward. All welcome to attend.

CCDA

The monthly CCDA meeting is on Monday March 9th at 8:30 pm in the Community Centre. This is open to everyone from our community.

COMMUNITY ALERT

Please be vigilant as a lot of unwelcome callers to the area. Please report registration numbers to the Gardi. Elderly people do not answer the door; press your panic button if worried. This should be pressed once a month to make sure it is working. Best wishes to Teresa Maloney who is laid up at the moment but will be back working soon.

MOUNTMELICK DRAMA FESTIVAL

The Annual Drama Festival runs from Friday March 6 to Friday March 13. Plays commence at 8 pm each night, starting with "Poor Beast in the Rain", "Family Plot", "Conversations on a Homecoming", "The Desert Lullaby", "Be My Baby", "Trad", "Stolen Child", "Beyond the Brookly Sky". Season tickets are €50, nightly tickets are €10 with concession €5.

CLOTHES COLLECTION

Clothes collection in aid of Friends of Calcutta. Please leave clean, dry clothing in church car park by 12 noon Thurs 5th March.

MUSIC CLASSES

Classes starting at 6 pm on Thursday in the Community Centre. The instruments being taught are tin whistle, banjo, mandolin, concertina, fiddle and button accordion. The classes are beginner classes for children and adults; class fee is €6 weekly. We have a rental system for button accordions and fiddles only. For more information contact John Conway on 085-285-1772.

MUSIC AND SINGING SESSION

Clonaslee Comhaltas next singing and music session will be held on Friday March 6th at 9pm in the Parochial hall, all welcome to attend.

SCOIL BHRIDE NEWS

A big welcome is extended to past pupil Reece Steele who is on work experience at SBC. Reece is a Third Level IT Student and will spend the next three weeks at our school where he will be giving instruction in computers and IT to all the classes. We are very lucky to have extensive IT Facilities at our school and especially in the purpose – built IT Suite. Many thanks to all in the school Community who is helped Fr. O'Reilly in welcoming the Sacred Heart Tullamore Senior Choir to the local church for the celebration of the mass last Sunday. We were more than happy to help with the planning of the event and with the provision of the stage and sound. We are also grateful to the many parents who helped with the catering / reception which was held in the school gym after Mass. Confirmation candidates enjoyed their retreat in Castletown on Feb 23rd. This is part of their preparation to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on March 24th.

HOLY CROSS

Next visit for Holy Cross mass and devotion night to Padre Pio is March 5th leaving Clonaslee at 5:45 pm Collects in Rosenallis and Mountmellick. Cost €15 return. If you require tea and sandwiches €5. Names to 087-212-2766.

CLONASLEE PARISH LOTTO

Jackpot not won. Winning no: 4-3-9. €30 winners: Pat McEvoy, Derry; Deirdre Comerford, Brocca; Paddy Dunne, c/o L Costello; Julie Fitzpatrick, c/o Pharmacy; Denise Hogan, Shraduff; David Smith, c/o Nuala Smith. Promoter's prize: Ann Rigney, Kathleen Blake, Fallons.

Next week's Jackpot: €900.

CLONASLEE ST MANMANS GAA LOTTO

Jackpot not won. Winning no: 1-7-12-9. €40 winners: Tara and Conor Digan, Ned Conroy, Michelle Fallon, Ruth Conroy, Tony Tiernan. Promoter's prize: Mary Hickey. Next week's Jackpot: €2,650