ST MANMANS NEWSLETTER

Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday 15th October 2023

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& Fennell Families

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 8 pm Sunday 10 am WEEKDAY MASSES

Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri 9 am

View a video broadcast of masses in Clonaslee daily at 9 am, Saturday 8 pm, Sunday 10 am on this direct link https://churchmedia.tv/st-manmans-church

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptisms available on Saturdays. To arrange a date contact Fr. O'Reilly on 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 attend a premarriage course. Contact ACCORD for marriage preparation courses on 057-934-1831 or accordtull@eircom.net. Marriage & relationship counselling service Mon-Fri 9:30am-1:30 pm.

EUCHARIST: 21st/22nd Oct: Team C

ANNIVERSARIES

Saturday 14th October – 8 pm

Elizabeth & James McRedmond, Brocca & their sons Michael, Francis, Kevin & all the McRedmond Family

John & Joe Egan, Coolnamoney

Paddy & Mairead Murphy, Bellair

James & Josephine McEvoy, Bellair

Carmel Mooney, The Green

Michael English, Old Bridge, Clonmel

Sunday 15th October – 10 am

Months Mind, Eugene Young, Bellair Kathleen & James Conroy, Coolnabanch & members of the Conroy Family

John Hogan, Hillside

Saturday 21st October – 8 pm

Mary Carroll, Castlecuffe

Evelyn Molloy & Pat Molloy, Main St & Molloy

William & Mary Culleton, Shracullen
James Dunne, Peter Dunne, Donal Sweeney,
James & Maureen Sweeney & Mrs Lawlor,
Main Street

Sunday 22nd October – 10 am

Bill Dunne, Broughla, his parents Charlie & Mary & deceased members of the Dunne & Delaney Families

Margaret Peg Casey, Ferbane & Broughla & deceased members of the Casey & Redmond Families

Pray for Mary Moore, Stradbally formerly of Barradoo and Chrissie Goulding, Drummond, Rosenallis who died during the week.

1st COMMUNION PROGRAMME

1st Communion programme is next Sunday 22nd Oct during 10 am mass.

COLLECTION

Mission Sunday collection is next weekend. Please use your monthly envelopes.

BUS TO LIMERICK

A bus will travel to Limerick on Sat Nov 11th leaving the Clonaslee PO at 8:45 am. Bus leaving Limerick at 5 pm sharp. Adults with Free Travel Pass/ over 16's is €10 return. Under 16 is €5 return. To book seats before Wednesday Nov 8th, call TFI Local Link on 057-869-2168.

CLONASLEE TIDY TOWNS

Clonaslee Tidy Towns scored a total of 338 points in the 2023 National Tidy Towns Competition. This is an increase of 13 points on our 2022 entry. This is testament to the hard work that the committee and volunteers have put in since April. The committee wish to thank Clonaslee St Patrick's Day Committee who did terrific work on 2 evenings which was a big help, Clonaslee CE Scheme under Supervisor Francine Ashe, Mary Rose Corbet, local residents, local people who keep flower beds and weeded their own areas, local businesses who sweep outside their business premises, Laois County Council - Edmund Kenny and Bill Dempsey and all their departments, Cllrs

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Seamus McDonald, Paddy Bracken and Conor Bergin for all the help and support we receive. A copy of the Judges report is available in Flynns

Londis, Clonaslee Pharmacy, Ger Kelly Butcher, Hogans Filling Station, Anthony Mahers.

BUS SHELTER FOR CLONASLEE

Clonaslee Tidy Towns are delighted to confirm the installation of a new bus shelter on Main Street, Clonaslee which will commence in the next and will be located on the end of the footpath outside Downeys Cosy Bar. Funding of €9,876.20 was secured through the Community Recognition Fund for this project to benefit the local community and to facilitate the 3 bus services which currently operate in the village.

CCDA REPORT

Our Local Lotto will be running 30 years. We have divided over a million euro between Community Centre, Parish and our 2 Primary Schools. This could not be done without the support of Lotto Committee, promoters and all who faithfully buy tickets. Kitchens in the Centre and the Play school were painted. A breakdown of grants received for the solar panels, cameras, fire doors, wheelchair toilet in the Centre given by Treasurer. Hi Vis jackets available in the Centre for children using Astra Pitch in hope they will be more visible in the Centre grounds. Curtains sponsored by Mountmellick Credit Union for the stage are being made and hung. Curtain to divide the middle of the hall is being made locally. Path to Troy's Cross has been upgraded. It was suggested to request the council extend lights out to this walking area. Two lights reported not working on the street. Thanks to Seamus McDonald for all the support he gives to our projects. The Heritage Centre may now be hired by Undertakers for wakes. A dangerous incline on the soccer pitch was fenced. A vote of sympathy was expressed to all who lost loved ones.

BIRR ARTS THEATRE PRESENTS

Saturday 21st October, Emer Dunne Trio 'Folk Threads' Show at 8 pm. Tickets €18 plus booking

fee. Special Discount for groups of ten. Contact 057-9122911 or book online www.birrtheatre.com

MOUNTMELLICK LIBRARY

Card making and paper quilling course starting Tues Nov 7th from 10:30 am-12 noon. *Prenatal*

Yoga on Sat Nov 11th at 10:30 am, Window Illuminations Workshop: A creative workshop to celebrate Mountmellick with catching window displays for Christmas 2023 the square. Aingeala Flannery's writing workshop on Thurs Nov 9th from 1-3 p.m. Halloween Holiday Activities: Tues Oct 24th from 2:30 pm onwards, Pop up Parent and Child Craft table until supplies last. Tues Oct 31st at 3 pm Spooky Storytime for children and their parents/carers. Dress up in your costume if you want. Nore Valley Pet Farm will be visiting on Wed Nov 1st at 11:30 am. Suitable for all ages.. For further information or to book any of the above events call 057-864-4572 or email mountmellicklibrary@laoiscoco.ie.

TFI LOCAL LINK BUS

This bus travels to Portlaoise every Tuesday and Friday and to Tullamore every Thursday leaving from the village at 9:20 am. Travel pass is accepted. Cost is €3 return for adults and children over 5 years old. You must book the evening before prior to 5 pm on 057-869-2168.

Bus service from Birr to Portlaoise Monday to Sunday. Pick up point is Londis Clonaslee. Weekday times: 6:28, 10:28,14:13, 17:58, 21:53. Sunday: 8:43, 12:53, 16:58, 20:23. Cost €4 return and Free Travel Pass Accepted. Travels on Bank Holidays. More information call 057-869-2168

CLONASLEE PARISH LOTTO

Jackpot not won. Winning no: 12-23-10. €30 winners: Mary Tynan, Clonaslee; Christy Kelly, Shraduff; Tadhg Bryan c/o N Dunne; Liam Conroy, Hillside; Donna Conroy, Clonaslee; Liam Conroy, Hillside. Promoter's prize: Ann Rigney, S Fitzpatrick, Maura O'Gorman. Jackpot: €950. Lotto gift vouchers can be purchased from Dolores Murray on 087-414-8093.

CLONASLEE/ST MANMAN'S GAA LOTTO

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Jackpot not won. Winning no: 11-19-25-27.

€30 winners: Fintan, c/o Donna, Phil Davis, Malee

McCabe, Eugene Dunne, John Callaghan.

Promoter's prize: Hickeys.

Next week's Jackpot: €2,800 in Downeys Bar.