

*ST MANMANS NEWSLETTER*  
*Twenty Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
*Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> September 2013*

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**WEEKEND MASSES**

**Sat      8 pm                  Sun                  10 am**

**WEEKDAY MASSES**

**Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs                  9 am**

**Friday – Communion Service                  9 am**

**ALTAR SERVERS**

**Sat Sep 21<sup>st</sup> – Team C:** Eoin Conroy, Kathleen Blake, Roisin O'Donovan, Jake Smith

**Sun Sept 22<sup>nd</sup> – Team C:** Orla Conroy, Shay Foynes, Ciara Foynes, Ciaran Fitzgerald.

**ANNIVERSARIES**

**Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> September**

8 pm Elizabeth & James McRedmond & deceased members of the McRedmond family, Brocca

**Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> September**

10 am Patricia Culliton, Brittas

10 am Patrick Casey & deceased members of the Casey Family Broughla

**Monday 16<sup>th</sup> September**

9 am Mary Lambe, Ashbrook

**Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> September**

8 pm Luke McRedmond and all the McRedmond Family, Clarahill

8 pm Matt & Eileen Fitzpatrick, Ballinalug

**MISSION COLLECTION**

Our annual church gate collection is on this weekend September 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> in aid of Sr Bridie Hogan in Zambia and Fr PJ Clear who is home from Brazil to mark his Golden Jubilee.

Thank you for your faithful support.

**CLONASLEE COMMUNITY GYM**

Open days on Saturday September 21 and Sunday September 22 in the Community Centre from 10am – 1pm All welcome to come along and see our new facility, chat to our gym instructors.

Looking forward to seeing you there

**GIVE BLOOD**

On Thursday September 19 from 5 – 8:30 pm in St Patrick's National School, Mountmellick. It is important that we all remember patients always need our blood and this need never stops regardless of what else is going on in the world.

**CK ZUMBA**

Shrink everything but your smile. Starting in Clonaslee Community Centre on Wednesday September 18 from 6-7 pm. First class only €5. Ya gotta try it to love it!

**THANKS**

A big thank you to Paddy Bates for a lively and interesting talk about different aspects of Clonaslee History. The Heritage Centre was filled with people from all areas of Clonaslee who were encouraged to participate with their own memories as Paddy showed slides and video clips of interviews from 1985.

**PARENT TODDLER GROUP**

The Clonaslee Parent Toddler group is back on Tuesdays in the Community Centre from 9:30 am to 11:30 am. Cost is €3 per family. Parents, grandparents and child minders of children from 0 to 5 years old are all welcome to come. If you have any queries please contact Maureen on 087-691-9056.

**CLONASLEE SHOW SOCIETY**

We will be meeting on Tuesday September 17 at 8:30 pm in the Community Centre. We would like all helpers, gate people, car parkers, etc to please attend the post mortem on the show.

**CLONASLEE BASKETBALL**

Clonaslee Basketball Club is holding a final registration night at Clonaslee Community Centre on Friday September 20 from 5pm – 7pm. A parent/guardian must be present when registering as all members must be registered to play. Anyone wishing to join, come along we look forward to seeing you. Anyone who has already registered but still has fees due, may also pay on the night. A big thank you to everyone who contributed and helped out on our collection day on September 1. The money will give us a great boost and go towards some much needed equipment.

**CLONASLEE BASKETBALL PRACTICE**

The practice times for 2013/2014 season are as follows: Tuesday 5-6pm U12 boys; 7-8pm U16 girls; Wednesday 4-5 pm U8 boys and girls; Thursday 5-7pm U14 girls; 7-8 pm U 16 boys; Friday 5-6 pm U 12 Girls; 6-7 pm U 10 boys and girls.

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**CLONASLEE BRANCH CCE**

Music classes every Thursday 5.30 to 7.30 in the Community Centre. Singing classes every Saturday 10 to 11am in the Parochial Hall. Set dancing starting Thursday September 19 in the Parochial Hall; juniors 7 to 8 pm and seniors 8 to 9.30 pm. Culture night is Friday September 20 with music, singing and dancing in the Heritage Centre 8 – 10 pm. All welcome to join in. For more information on any of the above please contact John Conway on 085-285-1772.

**NEW AND USED CLOTHING COLLECTION**

Castlecuffe NS is having a clothing collection on Wednesday September 25. Recycle and support our National School. Please bring the following to the school by 9:30 am in any condition as long as they are clean: new and used men's, women's and children's clothing, shoes, belts, handbags, ties, linens household textiles, stuffed toys, etc. Also mobile phones in a separate bag.

**LAOIS TIDY TOWNS**

Clonaslee received the best environment award in Portlaoise on Wed night. They were presented with a certificate and cheque. This was a great result. Well done to all involved and another positive result for our lovely village.

**IRISH DANCING**

Irish dancing has resumed in the Parochial Hall every Tuesday from 4:30pm- 5:30 pm. New members are welcome to join in, all levels.

**TIDY TOWNS**

Clonaslee gained 3 points in National Tidy Towns award, bringing total to 299. They received a very good report from judges. Clonaslee was only judged once on 5<sup>th</sup> June, the committee did a lot of work since and feel if a 2<sup>nd</sup> judging had been done marks would be higher and feel it's unfair.

Chairman John Callaghan thanks his hard working volunteer team who have worked since May. Also to our wonderful Fas participants who have done so much. Thank you to the community and business people for supporting us at collection time, to those who gave private donations and the Vintage Club, without this we couldn't achieve what we have to date. Thank you to our young people who worked with us and Pat Fenlon who

did Trojan work litter picking every morning no matter what the weather was like. Congratulations to Camross who receive the Endeavour Award in the National Competition. Well done to you all.

**Laois Connects – Mental Health Awareness Week**

Details of the 2013 programme for Laois Connects from Sept 28<sup>th</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> Oct is available on [www.laoiscommunityforum.ie/laoisconnects](http://www.laoiscommunityforum.ie/laoisconnects). The programme promotes positive mental health and wellbeing.

**Clonaslee Community Employment Vancancy**

The following vacancies required for C.E. scheme: **Administrator:** (ref no: ES-791315) Duties include general administration, basic bookkeeping, payroll, knowledge of 'excel' and 'word' would be an advantage. **Tidy Towns Worker:** (ES-791320) Duties will include development and maintenance of green areas. These are developmental opportunities, no experience is necessary. Accredited training will be provided to support your career. Applicants should contact their local DSP Employment Services/Intreo Office quoting the above reference numbers to check eligibility before applying for the position. Please post CV to Supervisor, Community Employment Scheme, Community Centre, Bellair, Clonaslee, Co. Laois. Applicants must supply suitable character references and be prepared to complete a Garda vetting application form.

**CLONASLEE PARISH LOTTO**

Jackpot not won. Winning no: 3-22-21.

€30 winners: Bernadette Hogan, Brittas; Jessica and Daniel Baker, Bellair; Niall Pickering, Main Street; Eileen and Grace Digan, Coolagh; Emma O'Brien, Mountmellick; John Corbet, Ballykaneen. Promoter's prize: Conroys (Swans), Matt Barrett, Mary Rose Corbet.  
Next week's Jackpot: €650.

**CLONASLEE ST MANMANS GAA LOTTO**

Jackpot not won. Winning no: 8-23-3-11.

€40 winners: Winnie Scully, Peter and Emma Dunne, Nora Flynn, Aisling and Conor, Blaize Byrne. Promoter's prize: Mick Fallon.  
Next week's Jackpot: €5,950.