

ST MANMANS NEWSLETTER
Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday 16th July 2017

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Phone: 057-864-8030

Parish Website: www.clonasleeparish.com

Diocesan Website: www.kandle.ie

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 8 pm Sunday 10 am

WEEKDAY MASSES

No morning mass this week

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 attend a pre-marriage course. Contact ACCORD for marriage preparation courses on 057-934-1831 or accordtull@eircom.net. Also on offer marriage & relationship counselling service Mon-Fri 9:30 am-1:30 pm.

WEBCAM – Live Mass feed on www.mcmmedia.com under Clonaslee Parish

ALTAR SERVERS

Sat 22nd July: Team A: Eimear Kelly Gráinne Scully, Emma Dunne

Sun 23rd July: Team A: Aoibhe Mulhall, Philip Dunne, Emer Dunne, Daniel O'Meara

ANNIVERSARIES

Saturday 15th July – 8pm

James & Mary Barrett, Tullamore Road
Paddy & Betty Byrne, Cadamstown & members
of the Byrne & Downey families.

Agnes & Daniel Carroll, Tullamore Road

Saturday 22nd July – 8 pm

Enda Gussie Fitzgerald, Ballykaneen
James Heaney, Hillside
Henry Dunne & Philomena Dunne,
Cloonaghmore

Sunday 23rd July – 10 am

Thomas O'Brien, Ballinahown

GOSPEL MUSIC & SONG

Join us for 1 hr of Gospel music and song in St. Manmans Church on Sunday 16th July 5-6 pm.

Watch us on the web clonasleeparish.com. If you can sing or play an instrument please join us.

TRÓCAIRE

An Emergency Collection in aid of Trócaire's work in East Africa is on next weekend 22nd/23rd July. Nearly 25 million people in Somalia, Kenya, South Sudan and Ethiopia are currently in urgent need of food and water due to drought. Trócaire is reaching over 150,000 people across the region with emergency food, water and sanitation. Needs are enormous. **Please support our appeal and help us reach more people with life-saving aid.**

TIR NA NÓG SUMMER CAMP

24th – 28th July. Ages: 3 years to 7 years

Lots of creativity, art, craft and cooking.

Cost: €50 per person (sibling discount available)

Ring or text: Pauline on 087-983-6384

TIDY TOWNS

Church gate collection on this weekend 15th/16th July. Your support is much appreciated. Judging is now in progress, please do not throw butts on the footpath, there are plenty of bins to dispose them in. Great comments on how great the place looks. A visitor to Clonaslee gave great praise and couldn't believe how much the village has improved in the 26 years since she last visited.

SLIEVE BLOOM MACRA Na FEIRMA

Slieve Bloom Macra Na Feirma AGM is on Friday July 28th in Poole's Pub in the lounge at 9 pm. New members are very welcome.

KNOCK

All who went on the Knock pilgrimage had a lovely day and enjoyed it very much. Thank you to Brendan Mahon, our bus driver, for all his help and kindness to all.

LAOIS WALKS FESTIVAL

Ridge of Cappard 12 km walk through state-owned nature reserve on Sat July 22nd. Meet at 2:30 pm at the Ridge of Cappard car park. More details www.laoispartnership.ie

COMMUNITY CCTV

Any interested person, club or organisation may still contribute to Matt Barrett, Chairman or Mick Fallon with a donation.

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FLY POSTING

All fly posting must go outside the 50 km speed signs in the interest of Tidy Towns. We thank you for your cooperation.

LAOIS AGE FRIENDLY BUSINESS RECOGNITION SCHEME

Business owners, managers and staff are invited to a workshop of the Laois Age Friendly Business and Recognition Scheme in the Council Chambers, County Hall on Wed July 19th at 7 pm. It's easy to make your business age friendly. Most age friendly practices are low to zero cost i.e. providing customer seating, making toilets available to older customers, having clearer signage, offering smaller portions, special offers for older customers or providing a magnifying glass or spare glasses can mean a big difference. Simple changes such as making your business easier to find, enter, move around and make purchases in are good for your customers and better for your business. By promoting a business as an Age Friendly Business you are letting older people know you value their custom and you are committed to serving them. This is a 2 hour presentation/workshop and if your business would be interested in attending please contact Geraldine Delaney, Community Development Section, Laois County Council on 057-866-4107 or agefriendly@laoiscoco.ie

LAOIS OFFALY LOCAL LINK

Bus to Tullamore on the first and third Thursday of each month leaving Clonaslee at 9:30 am. Leaving the Bridge Centre at 12:15pm. Cost is €3 return for adult. To book your seat you must phone or text the evening before to 057-869-2168 or 087-743-7444.

LAOIS COMMUNITY AND VOLUNTARY AWARDS

Laois County Council in participation with Laois Public Participation Network are proud to announce that the Laois Community and Voluntary Awards, 2017 are being held in the autumn. Nomination forms and details available from Claire Buckley, Community & Enterprise

Section or email cbuckley@laoiscoco.ie. Closing date for nominations is Friday July 21.

MOUNTMELICK LIBRARY & GALLERY

An exhibition of work by the Kilbride Art is on in the Gallery until Thurs July 27th. All are welcome to come and view the works by various artists. Upcycling craft morning suitable for 7-9 year olds on Fri July 21st from 2.30-4.30 pm. We will be using recyclable materials to build a craft robot and jet pack. Places are limited. Children who don't read during the summer can lose up to two months of learning by the time they return to school in September. This can be prevented by registering for the summer reading challenge in your local library. It's free and your child will get rewards for reading 8 books over the summer. Junior Chess Club will be on Sat July 29th from 10.30 – 11.30am for ages 7 – 13.

Would you like to introduce your baby or young child to books and the love of reading? Baby Book Club on Tues July 25th from 11am – 12 noon for babies from 0 – 18 months and their parents and siblings. Socialise with other children and babies, listen to rhymes, sing along and pick up reading tips. If interested in any of the above ring 057-864-4572 to book a place or call into Mountmellick Library.

YOUTH 2000 SUMMER FESTIVAL

The Youth 2000 Summer Festival is in Cistercian College, Roscrea. The Festival is for young people aged 16-35 from Thurs 17th – Sun 20th August. Included is inspiring talks, workshops, dramas, concert, prayer, games and times of sharing. It has been nicknamed "The Holy Oxygen" with over 1400 people from all over Ireland attending. This is a donation-only retreat. Free buses are available. Bring a sleeping bag and pillow. Book online at www.youth2000.ie

CLONASLEE PARISH LOTTO

Jackpot not won. Winning no: 5-4-9. €30 winners: Tess Murray, c/o Chris Horan; Dan & Ann O'Neill, Ross; Val Hogan, Tinnahinch; Richie O'Keeffe, Brittas; Jimmy Rigney, Garryheather; Mary Rose Corbet, Ballykaneen. Promoter's prize: Maura O'Gorman, Mary Rose Corbet, Matt Barrett. Next week's Jackpot: €1,100.