ST MANMANS NEWSLETTER Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday 17th November 2019

Fr. Thomas O'Reilly, P.P.

Parish Website: www.clonasleeparish.com Diocesan Website: www.kandle.ie

Local Safeguarding Representatives: Jackie Hyland, Caroline Mills

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WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 8 pm Sunday 10 am

WEEKDAY MASSES

Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri
CONFESSIONS
9 am

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

WEBCAM - Live Mass feed on

www.mcnmedia.tv under Clonaslee Parish

WHEELCHAIR available at the back of the church.

MASS FOR CHILDREN

The Fr Shortall Room, behind the sacristy, is available for families with young children.

ALTAR SERVERS

Sat 23rd Nov – Team B: Sally Morgan, Lily May Owens, Amelia Dunne, Bronagh Carroll

Sun 24th Nov – Team B: Ciara Breen, Cadhla McCann, Jack Kelly, Matthew Conroy

ANNIVERSARIES

Saturday 16th November – 8 pm

Deceased and past members of the ICA Annie, John, Margaret & Sister Bridie Casey, Coolnabanch

Margaret & Thomas Fingleton, Portarlington Matthew Dunne, Chapel Street

Sunday 24th November - 10 am

Tom McCann, Glebe

Pray for Denis Beirne, Bunclody & Roscommon and Bernie Daly, Portlaoise & Kilcormac who both died recently.

1st COMMUNION PROGRAMME

1st Communion programme continues at 10 am mass on next Sunday 24th November.

NOTE

The Parochial House phone's answering machine has an IT glitch. You won't be able to leave messages for Fr O'Reilly, please try ringing him again at a later time if he doesn't answer.

Phone: 057-864-8030

CHOIR PRACTICE

Choir practice for Advent and Christmas will be every Thursday at 7 pm in the Choir gallery. We urgently need new members for Saturday night choir. All are welcome

SVP CHRISTMAS CARDS

Saint Vincent de Paul Christmas cards will be on sale at both masses and next weekend.

CAKE SALE

In aid of the OsKars, a cake sale is on 23rd/24th Nov after both masses in the Fr Shortall Room.

SENIOR CITIZEN DINNER

Dinner in the Community Centre will be on Dec 1st at 1 pm. Music by JL Sound. There will be no invites sent out. Names to be in by Wed Nov 27th. All over 65 are welcome and you may bring someone if you require. Free raffle and spot prizes on the day. Names to secretary Maura on 087-312-2766 or chairman John on 083-471-2546. We would appreciate help on Sat Nov 30th at 11 am to prepare the party. A great day is promised.

BINGO

Big bingo in Mountrath on Sun Nov 17th at 3 pm in the Community school. €5000 in prize money. Double book €15, single book €10, single sheet €2. Big raffle with all cash prizes. Bus leaving from Clonaslee PO at 2 pm and returning at 5:30 pm, cost €3 return. To book your seat ring Offaly Local Link 057-869-2168

CLONASLEE BINGO

Monthly bingo in Clonaslee Community Centre on Sun Nov 24th at 3 pm. Doors open at 2:15 pm. Over €1,800 in prizes

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KILMANMAN GRAVEYARD

A meeting will be held in the kitchen of Clonaslee Community Centre on Thurs Nov 21st at 11 am to discuss possible sources of funding for future Heritage Projects in Kilmanman Graveyard. Please contact the Community Centre 057-864-8277, if you are interested in attending.

COMEDY PLAY

The Clodiagh Players are proud to present the hilarious comedy "A Wake in the West" on Nov 28th, 29th, 30th, directed by Dan Hyland. Booking essential on 085-783-1104. See you there!

BUS TO LIMERICK

A bus to Limerick on Nov 23^{rd} leaving Clonaslee 8:30, Rosenallis 8:45, Mountmellick 9 am. Seats must be booked thru Local Link before Wed Nov 20^{th} on 057-869-2168. Cost adults/FTP $\[\in \]$ 5 return, under $16 - \[\in \]$ 3.

HOLY CROSS

Bus will travel on Thurs Dec 5th leaving at 6 pm. Please give your names to 087-212-2766. Cost is €15 return and €5 if you require tea and sandwiches. Collects in Rosenallis and Mountmellick.

CCDA REPORT

Discussed at the recent meeting: tarmac around centre complete, ramp still to be done, soccer container needs painting, new meter will be done in centre, defibrillator course complete, refresher course required, new footpaths and pedestrian crossing on the Tullamore road, trees cut on Brittas Avenue, tribute paid to Vicky at the playschool and wish her well at her new job, Heritage centre lights need attention, CCTV planning was granted: 215 houses have contributed, you can still do so by contacting Matt Barrett, chairman. Text alert is available through Matt Barrett for €10, a good way to know what is happening in our area, dog signs at playground, dog owners are responsible for fouling, recycling bins, gas tank, social services dinner. Tidy Towns up 4 points, could do better with more help, all

posters and signs go outside 50/60km signs, Clodiagh Players new production, thank you letter to Laois County Council and councillors for all their help. Sympathies to all who lost loved ones recently

Phone: 057-864-8030

REMEMBERING MICHEÁL Ó DUINN

Ballyfin's famous dance master will be celebrated with dancing, music, memories and special guests on Sun Nov 24th at 7 pm in Sean Chistin, Irey, Ballyfin. Enquiries Maureen 087-648-2038.

MOUNTMELLICK LIBRARY & GALLERY

New monthly book club for 10-12 year olds. Places are limited call 057-864-4588 for bookings. Baby book club Tuesdays at 10:30 am. Kilbride art group will exhibit for the month of November. Short and sweet book club meets every month in to discuss two short stories. If interested in joining call 057-864-4588 for further details.

LAOIS OFFALY LOCAL LINK

Bus travels each Tuesday and Friday to
Portlaoise leaving at 9:30 am, returns at 12:30
pm. Cost €3 return and travel pass accepted. Bus
travels to Tullamore every Thursday leaving at
9:30 am, returns at 12:15 pm from the Bridge
Centre. Cost €3 return. Bus travels to Bingo each
Sunday leaving Clonaslee at 7:30 pm. It is a door
to door pick up. The bus will also drop you at
hospitals or train stations. Any queries or to book
your seat you must phone or text the evening
before to 057-869-2168 or 087-743-7444.

CLONASLEE PARISH LOTTO

Jackpot not won. Winning no: 24-9-21. €30 winners: Phil Carroll, Ballykaneen; Kathleen, Mary, Patrick c/o Kathleen Blake; Jacinta Davies, Gurteen; Nan Hill, Killeigh; Ken Bagnall, Castlecuffe; Finbar Rosney, Larrigan. Promoter's prize: Ann Rigney, P O'Donovan, P Costello. Next week's Jackpot: €1,850. Give a gift card for birthdays or a special occasion. Lotto gift vouchers can be purchased at the Heritage Centre or from Dolores Murray on 087-414-8093 or Betty Finnerty, Chapel Street. Extra prizes next week.