



*ST MANMANS NEWSLETTER*  
*Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
*Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2015*

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**TIDY TOWNS**

Our sincere thanks and appreciation to all who supported our church gate collection. Total collected was €862. Thank you to all the collectors and to Patricia Costello for running the Bonus Ball. All the money goes towards our projects we took on this year including three spiral planters, two waterbutts installed, webcam at the Heritage Centre, flowers, paint plus many other things. Thank you to all the Fas participants for the great work and help. Work continues on Tuesdays and Thursdays starting from the Heritage Centre at 6 pm. Please sweep early and keep everywhere clean and tidy.

**THANKS**

Thanks to all who donated clothes to the recent CCDA clothes collection which raised €185 and this time around given to Clonaslee Tidy Towns.

**SOCIAL SERVICES**

Our outing this year is on 20<sup>th</sup> Aug to Strokestown House where we will visit the house, museum and gardens. Then onto Ardagh and St Mel's Cathedral in Longford. Dinner at 5:30 in The Longford Arms Hotel. Total cost is €40. Names to chairman John Callaghan 083-471-2546 or Secretary Maura O'Gorman 087-212-2766. Free raffle on the bus with loads of prizes.

**KNOCK**

Bus leaving on August 13<sup>th</sup>. Please give your name to 087-212-2766.

**HOLY CROSS**

Bus leaving Clonaslee on Thursday August 6<sup>th</sup> at 5:45 pm. Cost is €15 return, €5 if you require tea and sandwiches. Names to 087-212-2766.

**FESTIVAL**

An Sean Chistin, Rambling House, Irej, Ballyfin, will host a festival of events. Tues July 28 at 8pm an Open House, a night of music, song, dance, poems and stories with special guest Sam O'Doherty, accordionist. Thurs July 30 Laois Matters occasion at 8pm when we celebrate the

people of Laois with many All Ireland composed songs, poems etc. about Co. Laois. Sunday Aug 2 at the Community Centre, Ballyfin at 7pm when visitors and natives will share their talents. Further details contact Maureen 087-648-2038.

**DANCE WORKSHOPS**

As part of Ballyfin Trad Fest there will be dance workshops as follows; Wed July 29<sup>th</sup> there will be an opportunity to learn one of our famous traditional step dances Madam Bonaparte, and on Friday July 31 it will be Sean-Nós and brush dancing. Both will be from 11am-4pm at An Sean Chistin. Saturday August 1 it will be set dancing in Community Centre, Ballyfin from 10.30am-4pm. All workshops suitable for all ages and abilities. Further details Maureen 087-648-2038

**CCE SCHEME**

General Operative Worker positions on Clonaslee Community Employment Scheme. 19½ hours per week or week on week off. Garda vetting required. Department of Social Protection rates apply. For further information please contact Caitriona on 057-864-8277.

**CLONASLEE PARISH LOTTO**

Jackpot won, congratulations to Denise Hogan, Shraduff, Ger Gorman, Clonaslee and Agnes Hogan, Larrigan on sharing €1400. Winning no: 13-10-3. €30 winners: Michael Dunne, Cloonagh; Niall Pickering, c/o PO; Val Hogan, Tinnahinch; Nuala Smith, Bellair, E Conroy, Graigue, Patsy O'Rourke, Mountrath. Promoter's prize: Fallons, Larry Costello, Ann Rigney. Next week's Jackpot: €500.

**CLONASLEE ST MANMANS LOTTO**

Jackpot not won. Winning no: 22-17-27-9. €40 winners: Mary Hickey, Grace Digan, Pat Kirwan, Axel Fallon, Sharon Smith and boys. Promoter's prize: Mick Fallon. Next week's Jackpot: €5,700.