

ST MANMANS NEWSLETTER

First Sunday of Advent

Sunday 1st December 2019

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WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 8 pm Sunday 10 am

WEEKDAY MASSES

Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs 9 am

1st Friday - *Confessions before Mass* 7:30 pm

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. 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 7th Dec – Team B: Sally Morgan, Lily May

Owens, Amelia Dunne, Bronagh Carroll

Sun 8th Dec – Team B: Ciara Breen, Cadhla

McCann, Jack Kelly, Matthew Conroy

ANNIVERSARIES

Saturday 30th November – 8 pm

Months Mind, Seamus Kelly, Scaroon

McEvoy Family & Conroy Family, Graigueafulla

Sunday 1st December – 10 am

Months Mind, Paraic Byrne, Chapel St & Tinnahinch

Peter & Christina Dunne, Brocca

Saturday 7th December – 8 pm

Months Mind, Denis Beirne, late of Bunclody & Elphin

Timothy & Margaret Mary Murray, Bellair

Kit Mahon, Slieve Bloom Park

Helen Hilliard, Shraduff

Deceased members of Blake Family, Barradoo

Sunday 8th December – 10 am

Laurence Conroy & Larry Conroy Jnr, Brocca

PENITENTIAL SERVICE

Reconciliation service is on Wednesday Dec 18th Rosenallis 7 pm, Clonaslee 8 pm.

CHRISTMAS FLOWER OFFERING

The tradition of placing Poinsettias around the altar will continue this year. If you wish to have one on the altar in memory of your beloved dead, there is an envelope in your monthly box for this purpose. Cost €10 each.

VISITATION OF THE SICK

The sick and invalids of the parish will be visited on Thurs and Fri 5th/6th Dec in the morning.

ADORATION

Eucharistic adoration is in the Fr Shortall Room on Friday 6th Dec from 10 am – 7 pm.

SAINT VINCENT de PAUL

SVP meeting on Fri 13th Nov at 7:30 pm. Please note change of date.

COLLECTION

National church gate collection for St Vincent de Paul is next weekend 7th/8th Dec. Please support.

CHOIR PRACTICE

Choir practice for Advent and Christmas will be every Thursday at 7 pm in the Choir gallery.

CHRISTMAS ACTIVITIES –CLONASLEE

Dec 8th – Carol service 4 pm in the church

Dec 9th – Castlecuffe NS Christmas play in

Community Centre 7 pm. All welcome.

Dec 16th - Tir na Nog school play in Scoil Bhríde 6 pm

Dec 17th – Scoil Bhríde Christmas concert 7 pm

Dec 21st – Scoil Bhríde Nativity play, 8 pm mass

SENIOR CITIZEN DINNER

All who are coming, please be in and seated by 12:45 pm. A surprise guest will be present on the day. Raffle for a hamper and other items as well. A great day is promised.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Christmas Concert in St. Manman's Church on Sun Dec 8th at 4 pm. Admission free. Featuring a large combined choir of singers from Clonaslee, Portarlinton, Clonaghadoo & surrounding areas.

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CLINIC

Carol Nolan TD will be in the Parochial Hall on Fri 6th Dec from 6-7 pm.

KILMANMAN RESTORATION

COMMITTEE

The Restoration Committee ask members of the community to submit photographs, maps and other relevant documents pertaining to the graveyard to Joanne or Caitriona in the Community Centre. You can call to the Community Centre from 9 am - 3 pm, Mon - Fri. Material will be photocopied or scanned and posted to the Heritage Centre's Facebook page and any other future publications relating to the history of Kilmanman/ Clonaslee. Any material submitted will be returned once photocopied/ scanned, original material will not be kept/ stored. The name of the person who submits will be noted under each item.

HOLY CROSS

Bus will travel on Thurs Dec 5th leaving at 6 pm. Please give your names to 087-212-2766 by Tues Dec 3rd. Cost is €15 return and €5 if you require tea and sandwiches.

LOVE YOURSELF WOMEN'S

AFTERNOON

Clonaslee Calendar Girls are hosting 'Nollaig na mBan' on Sun Jan 5th from 3 – 5 pm in the Heritage Centre. The theme is Self-care and Well Being. Professional guest speakers covering topics related to our physical, mental, emotional and spiritual well-being. Afternoon tea and a raffle with exceptional prizes. Tickets €25, phone 085-759-7659. Limited number of tickets.

TIR NA NOG PLAYSCHOOL

Now enrolling for January 2020. Please contact Tir na Nog playschool at 057-864-8988.

ROAD REPAIR SURVEY FOR CLONASLEE

Are the roads in your area in need of repair? The CCDA are carrying out a survey. Phone or text Dolores on 087-414-8093.

ALMAS CHRISTMAS BOUQUETS

Now available from Betty Finnerty, Chapel Street or Dolores Murray 087-414-8093

CLONASLEE/PARISH LOTTO GIFT CARD

Christmas Lotto gift cards €10 or €20 now available from Dolores Murray on 087-414-8093 or Betty Finnerty, Chapel Street.

BINGO

Monthly bingo in Clonaslee Community Centre on Sun Dec 15th at 3 pm. Doors open at 2:15 pm.

CCDA

The monthly CCDA meeting is on Mon Dec 9th at 8:30 pm in the Community Centre.

COMMUNITY ALERT

Please be vigilant, there is fake money in circulation, €5, €10, and €50 notes. Always check your change

THANKS

Social services recent church gate collection received a total of €610 including private donations. Our sincere thanks to all who contributed.

LAOIS OFFALY LOCAL LINK

Bus travels each Tues 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. Booking by phone or text the evening before to 087-743-7444.

CLONASLEE PARISH LOTTO

Jackpot won. Congrats to Ryan Clan, Shraduff on winning €2,000 . Winning no: 23-3-11. €30 winners: Hetty & Edel, Clonaslee; Conor Dunne, Main Street; Joe Digan, Coolagh; Shirley Finnermore, Clonaslee; Geraldine Kelly, Glenkeen; Kat Conroy, Brittas. Voucher: Finbar Rosney. €30: David & Adam Downey, Glenkeen. Promoter's prize: Ger Kelly, Kathleen Blake, Maura O'Gorman. Voucher: Imelda Cusack. €15: Dolores Murray. Next week's Jackpot: €500.