ST MANMANS NEWSLETTER Fifth Sunday of Lent Sunday 2nd April 2017

Fr. Thomas O'Reilly, P.P.

Parish Website:www.clonasleeparish.com

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday	8 pm	Sunday	10 am
WEEKDAY MASSES			
Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs			9 am
Friday – 1 st Friday			7:30 pm
Confe	ssion before	mass	-

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 premarriage 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.mcm media under Clonaslee Parish

ALTAR SERVERS

Sat 8th April: Team A: Eimear Kelly Gráinne Scully

Sun 9th April: Team A: Aoibhe Mulhall, Philip Dunne, Emer Dunne, Daniel O'Meara

ANNIVERSARIES

Saturday 1st April – 8 pm

Sinead Murphy nee Barrett, Tullamore & Bellair Teresa Conroy, Glebe

Sunday 2nd April – 10 am

Martin O'Dwyer, Rathcabbin& Clonaslee Ann Kelly, Glenkeen

Saturday 8th April – 8 pm

Benedict & Bridget Egan, Rathcoffey Liam, Larry, William & Elizabeth Flynn, Garryheather

Sunday 9th April – 10 am

Molly & Tommy Conroy, Ballyfarrell Rose, Ernest & Carmel Cully, Ballyfarrell Pray for Bridie O'Brien, Ballinahown who died during the week.

1st CONFESSION

The communion children will have their 1st confession on Tues 4th April at 7:00 pm.

Phone: 057-864-8030

Diocesan Website:www.kandle.ie

VISITATION OF THE SICK

The sick and invalids of the parish will be visited on Thurs & Fri April 6th/7th in the morning.

ADORATION

Eucharistic adoration is in the Fr Shortall Room on Friday April 7th from 10 am – 7 pm. All volunteers are asked to attend at their designated time.

SAINT VINCENT de PAUL

The SVP meeting is after Fri evening mass NATIONAL COLLECTION

A collection for the World Meeting of Families 2018, is on this weekend $1^{st}/2^{nd}$ April. Your support is greatly appreciated.

1st COMMUNION PROGRAMME

The First Communion programme continues next Sunday April 9th at the 10 am Mass.

PATCHWORK & QUILTING EXHIBITION

An exhibition of quilts and many items made by ladies in the local patchwork class. Come and see the quilts on Sun Åpril 2^{nd} from 10 am to 6 pm in the Heritage Centre, Clonaslee. Admission is free. The public are invited to vote on their favourite quilt in the exhibition and buy a ticket for a quilt.

Don't Forget! Chrism Mass 2017

You are warmly invited to join with Bishop Denis for the annual celebration of the Chrism Mass in the Cathedral, Carlow on Monday, April 10th at 7:30 followed by a cuppa in Carlow College. Please come early to be sure of a seat!

Parking available in Carlow College; entrance opposite Court House on the Old Dublin Road. See kandle.ie for map.

CLOTHES COLLECTION

Castlecuffe NS fundraising clothes collection for the National Council Blind Ireland is on Tues April 4th. Please bring bagged clothing to the school before 10 am.

CAKE SALE

In aid of Scoil Bhríde Parents Association, a cake sale is on Sat & Sun April 8th/9th in the Fr Shortall Room after mass. Proceeds go towards cost of buses for the upcoming school tours. Donations can be dropped in before mass. Your support is greatly appreciated.

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HOLY CROSS

Bus leaving Clonaslee on Thurs April 6^{th} at 6 pm. Cost is $\notin 15$ return and $\notin 5$ for tea and sandwiches if required. Names to Maura by Tues April 4^{th} on 087-212-2766.

<u>BINGO</u>

Bingo each Wednesday from 2-4 pm in the Community Centre.

EASTER ART CAMP

Anne Kelly School of Art Craft and Design Easter Art Camp on Tues April 11th and Wed April 12th, morning session 10-1pm or afternoon session 2-5 pm in the Community Centre. Limited places, booking essential. Camp is for 5-13 year olds with discount available for siblings. Cost is €25. Ring 085-751-8833 to book.

COMMUNITY ALERT

The agenda at the recent meeting was the CCTV cameras for Clonaslee. 136 houses have contributed towards the cost of the cameras. Total amount collected to date is €3,355. This is very encouraging as money is still coming in.. You can still give your donation to Matt Barrett, Chairman, Mick Fallon or the Community Centre. Anyone who did not receive an envelope can still make a donation in an envelope. These cameras will be of great help to the village and to all the village approach roads. They have been installed in many villages and it certainly helps reduce robberies and crime. Thank you so much to all who have contributed.

TIDY TOWNS

We will continue to clean up all areas on Tuesday April 4th at 6 pm starting from the Heritage Centre. We ask again to not put your household rubbish in the bins. There was quite a large amount thrown and left at Clodiagh River early last week. It only cost €3 to take a bag to the landfill.

CONCERT

Clonaslee CCE is holding a concert on Friday April 7 at 8 pm in the Parochial Hall, Clonaslee. Free admission. All are welcome to attend.

CHIROPODIST

Chiropodist at Clonaslee Pharmacy on Tuesday April 4. Please call to make an appointment on 057-868-6990. Diocesan Website:www.kandle.ie

MOUNTMELLICK LIBRARY & GALLERY

Phone: 057-864-8030

The following events are taking place in the Mountmellick Library: Parent and Child Easter Craft table on the mornings of Tues & Wed 11th/12th April. Easter Basket Collage Craft on Wed 12^{th} April from 2:30 - 3:15 pm for 5 - 7year olds and 3:30 - 4:15 pm for 8 - 10 year olds. Booking is essential. An informal evening of poetry readings on Tues April 25th at 7:00 pm. We are looking for volunteers to read selected poems and anyone who would like to read some of their own work or a poem of their choosing on the theme of poetry connects. Baby Book Club starting Tues May 2nd from 11 am – 12 noon for babies from 0 - 18 months and their parents and siblings. Junior Chess Club starting Sat April 22^{nd} from 10:30 - 11:30 am for ages 7 - 13. Local artist, Tom Joyce's exhibition, "The Beauty of Water" will open in the Gallery from Tues April 4th till Thurs April 27th. Tom will host a coffee morning on Thurs April 6th from 10:30 – 11:30 in the library. On Sat April 8th, Tom Joyce will host an Art Demonstration in Landscape Painting Techniques from 11 am - 1 pm. If interested in any of the above events call 057-864-4572 to book a place or call into the library. **EXHIBITION**

Winter Trees from the Artist's Garden, an exhibition by Mary Lee Murphy. The exhibition runs until April 13th. Opening times: Tues & Thurs 1 pm-5:00 pm and 5:30pm-8 pm, Sat: 10 am-1 pm (Except on Bank Holidays) with entry through library to front of the building. Wed and Fri 1 pm-4 pm with entry through the Laois Arthouse. For more details contact T: 057-866-4033/13 E: artsoff@laoiscoco.ie

CLONASLEE PARISH LOTTO

Jackpot not won. Winning no: 10-1-24. €30 winners: Cis Sutherland, Brittas; James McRedmond, Clonabeg; Sarah & Emily Corbet, Ballykaneen; Ryan Delaney, Clonaslee; Nora & John Casey, Coolnabanch; Glen Conroy, c/o Peavoys. Promoter's prize: S Fitzpatrick, Ann Rigney, Eamon Sammon. Next week's Jackpot: €650.