ST MANMANS NEWSLETTER Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday 20th September 2020

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WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday	8 pm	Sunday	10 am
WEEKDAY MASSES			
Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri			9 am

Parish Website: www.clonasleeparish.com

You can watch live mass feed on www.mcnmedia.tv under Clonaslee Parish daily at 9 am, Saturday 8 pm, Sunday 10 am.

DAILY PRIVATE PRAYER

The church will be open daily, entrance from main church doors only, for private prayer and lightning of candles. Please observe social distancing while in the designated area. Hand sanitizers are available.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptisms available on Saturdays. To arrange a date contact Fr O'Reilly on 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 accordfull@eircom.net. Marriage & relationship counselling service Mon-Fri 9:30am-1:30 pm.

ANNIVERSARIES

<u>Saturday 19th September – 8 pm</u>

Joseph Sutherland, Brittas

Sunday 20th September - 10 am

Deceased members of the Rowney Family, Shraduff

Eileen & Matt Fitzpatrick, Ballinalug

<u>Saturday 26th September – 8 pm</u>

Pat Fenlon, Hillside & Emo

The McRedmond Family, Brocca

Bernard Dunne, Scaroonb

Sunday 27th September – 10 am

Margaret Stynes Dunne, Geashill Henry Dunne, Geashill & Cloonaghmore Philomena Dunne, Cloonaghmore

NEWSLETTER

The newsletter will be online weekly – check it out on www.clonasleeparish.com

See **www.kandle.ie** for up to date news and resources.

BISHOP NULTY VISITING

Bishop Denis Nulty is visiting our parish on Tuesday 22nd Sept to celebrate 9 am morning mass.

FACE COVERINGS

A message from Bishop Denis asks, in line with NPHET and government guidelines all attending Mass are encouraged to wear masks or a visor.

ENVELOPES

Your weekly donations, monthly envelopes can be dropped into the Parochial house or at Collection Boxes before/after weekend Masses. Alternatively the Diocesan Donation button on KandLe website can be used on www.kandle.ie

FUNERALS

It is important the numbers attending a funeral should not exceed the current guidelines. We know this causes huge hardship to bereaved families, but they are mandatory guidelines.

HIGH NELLY BIKE CLUB RALLY

A bike rally in aid of Kilmanman Church Conservation Project is on Sun Oct 4th. Registration from 12 - 1 pm in the Square. Sponsor cards are in the shops and from members for $\in 2$ per line. Draw prizes include $\in 200$, $\frac{1}{2}$ ton hardwood timber, 3 hrs mini digger hire + driver, plus many more. Auction will take place after the rally. If you wish to donate items to the raffle, it will be gratefully received. Sponsor cards and donations to Tom McRedmond 087-947-6262. Please support this worthy cause.

TIDY TOWNS

Clonaslee Tidy Towns have finished for 2020. Please do not throw your masks on the street. Please sweep in front of house or business. The committee is small in numbers and it is hard to reach on keeping the street clean. We would ask all to keep the place tidy and have pride in where you

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live. After years of waiting we have finally got our Bronze medal signs and anyone who would like to give a hand putting them up on Mountmellick and Birr road please give your name to Chairman John Callaghan or Secretary Patrick Blake on 087-468-4213. Our thanks to Deputy Carol Nolan TD and Cllr Seamus McDonald for all their help and also the Environment section of Laois County Council. We thank all volunteers for coming out and helping and all businesses for their assistance. Also to the CE scheme who we work with and their supervisor Catriona Ryan. We look forward to 2021 when hopefully COVID 19 has passed which will allow us resume our activities at full capacity

HOLY CROSS

Due to Covid 19 guidelines the Holy Cross novena on the first Thursday of the month has not resumed. **KNOCK**

There will be no bus travelling to Knock due to the Covid 19 restrictions put in place.

SOCIAL SERVICES

Covid 19 has made it impossible to have our annual social services outing. The Christmas Dinner in the Community Centre has also been cancelled. We hope you all stay safe and please God we look forward to better ties in 2021.

COMMUNITY ALERT

With the nights getting longer we ask everyone to be vigilant. Those with monitor alarms, please wear your panic buttons at all times. They are monitored around the clock so help is always at hand. If anyone requires an alarm contact Matt Barrett, Chairman or Maura O'Gorman, Secretary. Report any strange happenings in your area

DRIVE IN BINGO

In Mountmellick GAA Grounds on Sun 20^{th} Sept at 5 pm. Prizes up to $\notin 2,000$.

PIANO LESSONS

Piano lessons available from resident pianist in Ballyfin Hotel for 5 years. Learn for fun or prepare for music exams. Contact Tom Conroy at 087-205-4720.

CLONASLEE PARISH LOTTO

Jackpot not won. Winning no: 22-16-19. €30 winners: Claire Dunne, Ballymacrory; E Conroy, Graigue; Trish Costello, Clonaslee; Páidí Bourke, Clonaslee; Mattie & Edel, c/o Matt; Kathleen Blake, Clonaslee. Promoter's prize: Chris Horan, P O'Donovan, S Langford. Next week's Jackpot: €1,250. Lotto gift vouchers can be purchased from Dolores Murray on 087-414-8093 or Betty Finnerty, Chapel Street.

<u>A Coronavirus Prayer</u> Loving and healing God,

we, the people of Kildare & Leighlin turn to you in prayer, confident that you are with us and with all people in every moment. We stand before you as people of hope, trusting in your care and protection. May your faithful love support us and soothe the anxiety of our hearts.

. Generous God,

fill us with compassion and concern for others, young and old, that we may look after one another in these challenging days. Bring healing to those who are sick with the virus and be with their families. May those who have died rest in your eternal embrace. Comfort their family and friends. Strengthen and protect all medical professionals caring for the sick and all who work in our medical facilities. Give wisdom to leaders in healthcare and governance that they may make the right decisions for the well-being of people. We pray in gratitude for all those in our country who will continue to work in the

days ahead in so many fields of life for the sake of us all. Bless them and keep them safe.

O God of creation and life,

we place ourselves in your protection. May the mantle of your peace enfold us this day and tomorrow. St Brigid, pray for us. St Conleth, pray for us. St Lazerian, pray for

us. May all the saints of God, pray for us. AMEN.