

ST MANMANS NEWSLETTER

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday 23rd February 2025

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Tom Higgins, Brocca

WEEKEND MASSES 1st/ 2nd March

Saturday 6 pm

Sunday 10 am

WEEKDAY MASSES 24th – 28th Feb

Monday, Tuesday, Friday 9 am

View a video broadcast of masses in Clonaslee daily at 9 am, Saturday 6 pm, Sunday 10 am on this direct link <https://churchmedia.tv/st-manmans-church>

Sunday 23rd February – 10 am

Nancy & Dan O'Neill, Hillside & deceased members of the O'Neill & Thompson Families

Kathleen Dooley, Camross

Mary McCann, Glebe

Saturday 1st March - 6 pm

Loretta Dunne, Main Street

Sunday 2nd March – 10 am

Months Mind, Jimmy Carroll, Hillside View
Noreen Foynes, Ballykaneen

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 accordtull@eircom.net. Marriage & relationship counselling service Mon-Fri 9:30am-1:30 pm.

EUCCHARIST: 1st/2nd March: Team A

ANNIVERSARIES

Saturday 22nd February – 6 pm

Months Mind, Josie Kilgannon nee Murray

Liverpool, St Helens & Bellair

Pat & Eugene Young, Hillside

Tom & Winnie Delaney, Brocca

John Moran, Main Street

Pray for Liam Murray, Clonabeg,

Fr Tommy O'Shea, Ballylinan

Hugh McCann Sydney Australia, late of The Square all who died during the week.

CHOIR PRACTICE

Choir practice for Confirmation will be on Tuesday at 7:30 pm on the choir gallery. As many as possible please make an effort to attend.

CHURCH GATE COLLECTION

Church Gate collection in aid of Clonaslee Comhaltas will be held next weekend 1st/2nd March. Your support is much appreciated.

GREAT SUCCESS

The Coffee Morning on Wednesday February 19th in the Heritage Centre was a great success with 25 people attending. Thanks to all who set tables up, to Caroline and Mags for scones and Ger Kelly for his sponsorship. Thank you to all who helped with cleaning up and the CE participants. A lovely social event was

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enjoyed by all. Next Coffee Morning is on Thursday March 6th at 11 am. There is a €2 charge per person to cover light and heating.

for all ages, 4-6 years meeting on the second Tuesday of the month at 3:30 pm and are reading 'Scout's Best Day Ever', 7-9 years meeting on first Tuesday of the month at

Please contact 087-212-2766 if you intend to attend on the day.

CLONASLEE TIDY TOWNS

Clonaslee is a poster free village; all posters must go outside the 50km road signs. We thank all for their cooperation.

TFI LOCAL LINK BUS

This bus travels to Portlaoise every Tuesday and Friday and to Tullamore every Thursday leaving from the village at 9 am. Travel pass is accepted. Cost is €3 return for adults and children over 5 years old. *You must book the evening before prior to 5 pm on 057-869-2168.* **Bus service** from Birr to Portlaoise Monday to Sunday. Pick up point is Londis Clonaslee. Weekday times: 6:28, 10:28, 14:13, 17:58, 21:53. Sunday: 8:43, 12:53, 16:58, 20:23. Cost €4 return and Free Travel Pass Accepted. Travels on Bank Holidays. More information call 057-869-2168.

MOUNTMELICK LIBRARY

Indoor sensory morning for 0-3 year olds and their parents/carers. Places are limited, booking is essential contact information below. *The Gallery* will host for February, "Dance Again", an exhibition by John Drumm. *C-Pens* which make it easier to read and learn by reading text out loud are now available to borrow. *The Home Energy Saving Kit* contains six practical tools to help you save energy at home and can help identify common problems. Contact us to be added to the waiting list. *Baby Book Club* returns on Thurs Jan 30th at 10:30 am. *Junior Book Clubs*

3:30 pm and are reading 'Pip Street: A Piggy Pickle', 10-12 years on first Tuesday of the month at 4 pm and are reading Louis Sachar's 'Holes'. *Adult book club* meet on the last Friday of the month at 11 am. Join us for some *shared reading sessions* where a staff member will read a story or poem. We then talk together about what we think and feel about it. *Lego Free Play* on Sat mornings from 10:30 am to 12:30 pm. *Sensory Room* available, this service is for the use of children and adults with additional needs with their parent/carer present. *Sensory Toy Resource Collection:* This service is for parents of children with additional needs who live in County Laois. To register for the service, you must have a referral letter from O.T., G.M.P., physio or other professional. If interested in any of the above and you wish to register call 057-868-9382 or email mountmellicklibrary@laoiscoco.ie .

COMMUNITY & PARISH LOTTO

Jackpot not won. Winning no: 7-18-13. €30 winner: Ellie Mai, Barry, & Jack O'Keeffe; Kayden Flynn, Garryheather; John Callaghan, Clonaslee; Trish Costello, Clonaslee; Callum & Kylie, c/o S Finnamore; Peter Costello, Clonaslee. Promoter's prize: Pat Dunne, Maura O'Gorman, Hickeys. Next week's Jackpot: €950. Lotto gift vouchers can be purchased from Dolores Murray on 087-414-8093

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Jackpot not won. Winning no: 4-7-10-18.

€30 winners: Michael Hyland, Sharon Smith,

Jimmy Kelly, Mary Martin Deevy, Ann

Devine. Promoter's prize: Hickeys. Next

week's Jackpot: €13,150 in Hickeys Bar.