

# ST MANMANS NEWSLETTER

Third Sunday of Lent

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> March 2019

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## WEEKEND MASSES

**Saturday 8 pm Sunday 10 am**

## WEEKDAY MASSES

**Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri 9 am**

**Wednesday – in Scoil Bhríde 12 noon**

## CONFESSIONS

Every 1<sup>st</sup> 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](mailto:accordtull@eircom.net). Also on offer marriage & relationship counselling service Mon-Fri 9:30 am-1:30 pm.

**WEBCAM** – Live Mass feed on [www.mcnmedia.tv](http://www.mcnmedia.tv) under Clonaslee Parish

**WHEELCHAIR** available in sacristy if needed.

## NOTE

All groups, organisations, clubs please advise the parish office on 864-8030 two weeks in advance if you holding a church gate collection

## ALTAR SERVERS

**Sat 30<sup>th</sup> March – Team A:** Lily May Owens, Amy Thornton, Emily Lambe, Amelia Dunne

**Sun 31<sup>st</sup> March – Team A:** Niamh Kelly, Daniel O'Meara, Michael Poole, Ciara Breen, Peter Foynes

## ANNIVERSARIES

**Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> March – 8 pm**

Peter Hyland, The Green

**Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> March – 10 am**

Margaret & Martin Delaney, Scaroon

Bridget & Thomas O'Brien, Ballinahown

**Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> March – 8pm**

**Months Mind:** Paddy O'Neill, London & formerly of Ross, Clonaslee

Eamon & Betty Bourke, Main Street

John Bourke, Dublin

Breda Butler, Bellair

Gerry Donnelly, Kilcormac

Jack Hogan, Main Street

Ann Kelly, Philadelphia & formerly of Glenkeen

Jim, Elizabeth & Eamon Conroy, Boyle

**Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> March – 10 am**

Maureen Conway, Coolagh

## PARISH COUNCIL

Parish Council meeting on Tues 26<sup>th</sup> March at 8 pm in the Fr Shortall Room.

## SIGNPOSTS ON THE ROAD TO EMMAUS

Lenten parish programme digging, discovering and delighting in the richness of our Sunday mass. Continues Thurs March 28<sup>th</sup> from 8 – 9:30 pm in The Balcony Theatre, Arts Centre, Mountmellick Also being held in Portlaoise Parish Centre on Tuesday March 26<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm.

## DIOCESAN CHOIR REHEARSAL

Fr Liam Lawton will lead a rehearsal for the Diocesan Choir this Sun, March 24<sup>th</sup> in the Cathedral, Carlow from 3-5pm. This rehearsal will prepare the music to be sung at the Chrism Mass on Mon April 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:30. New members very welcome!

## COMPUTER COURSE

For those registered the course is on Monday March 25<sup>th</sup> at 10 am in the Heritage Centre.

## SCOIL BHRÍDE

On Wed March 27<sup>th</sup>, Scoil Bhríde will celebrate its 10 year anniversary. Mass will be celebrated in the school gym at 12 pm, All associated with the school, past and present are invited to attend.

## MONTHLY BINGO

Bingo in Clonaslee Community Centre on today Sun March 24<sup>th</sup> at 3 pm. Doors open at 2:15 pm. Over €1,800 in prizes.

## ST STEPHENS DAY WALK

If you have any outstanding sponsorship from the walk please contact Sheila Bourke 087-633-9540.

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## **K&L DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE LOURDES**

On 1<sup>st</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> Aug. Cost €759. A key to our diocesan pilgrimage is being attentive to the sick and vulnerable. Bishop Nulty has asked us to delegate one person from our parish who would benefit from a pilgrimage to Lourdes. The parish will pay for this person, their carer will pay their own fare. Anyone wishing to travel, please give your name to Fr O'Reilly by 31<sup>st</sup> March.

## **HOLY CROSS**

Bus will travel on Thurs April 4<sup>th</sup> leaving at 6 pm. Please give your names to 087-212-2766. Cost €15 return and €5 for tea and sandwiches.

## **CCTV**

At the recent meeting held about our local CCTV cameras, it was decided to install the cameras.

## **THANK YOU**

Thanks to all who supported the annual Autism collection and to the collectors. Total collected, including proceeds from the Whist, was €748.

## **TIDY TOWNS**

Work evenings commencing on Tue April 2<sup>nd</sup> and will take place every Tuesday and Thursday evenings for 2 hours from 7-9 pm. Work is to be carried out on The Green to make it easier to maintain. For Clean Up Laois Week we will work with local schools. Collection date for the litter is Tues April 9<sup>th</sup>, anyone collecting litter in their area must leave it at the Community Centre before then to be collected. The litter must be in the branded bags available from the Committee. No litter will be collected in black bags. There will be a clean-up on Good Friday morning 11-1 pm starting from Heritage Centre, we would like to see people come out and help.

## **LAOIS OFFALY LOCAL LINK**

Bus travels Tuesday and Friday to Portlaoise leaving 9:30 am, returns 12:30 pm. Cost €3 return and travel pass accepted. Bus travels to Tullamore

Thursday leaving 9:30 am, returns 12:15 pm from the Bridge Centre. Cost €3 return. Bus travels to Bingo each Sunday leaving Clonaslee 7:30 pm. It is a door to door pick up. The bus will drop you at hospitals or train stations. Any queries or to book your seat, contact 057-869-2168 or 087-743-7444. in the Heritage Centre or on 057-864-8519.

## **MOUNTMELICK LIBRARY**

Adult colouring group will be back from Thurs March 7<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 am. Baby Book Club for babies and children aged 0 – 3 years and their carers. This is a free session to talk, sing, read, write and play with your little one. Every Tues from 10:30-11:30 am. Exhibition by is by the Maximova family. "Family Art" available to view during opening hours until Tuesday, April 27. New Short and Sweet Book Club could be for you. Each month we'll read two short stories for discussion letting you try out a new author each month. Call 057-864-4572 for information and to book a place.

## **PERFECT WEDDING**

Laois Open Door Theatre invite you to "Perfect Wedding" by Robin Hawdon in the Dunamais Arts Centre on Fri & Sat 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> April at 8pm nightly. This play is a rare combination – a riotous comedy and a touching love story.

## **EASTER ART CAMPS**

Pop up Art and craft workshops for ages 7-10 years at Laois Arthouse, Stradbally. On 23<sup>rd</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> April from 11 am-1 pm. Fee €15 per child. Booking essential as spaces are limited phone 057-866-4033/13 or [artsoff@laoiscoco.ie](mailto:artsoff@laoiscoco.ie)

## **CLONASLEE PARISH LOTTO**

Jackpot not won. Winning no: 4-24-1.

€30 winners: Kathleen Blake, Clonaslee; A Egan, Slieve Bloom Park, Emily Rose Kelly, Clonaslee; Eileen & Grace Digan, Coolagh; Pa Flynn, c/o Hickeys; Noel Doherty, c/o Mary O'Keefe. Promoter's prize: Fallons, Kathleen Blake, Matt Barrett. Next week's Jackpot: €2,300. Lotto gift vouchers can be purchased at the Heritage Centre or from Dolores Murray on 087-414-8093.