

ST MANMANS NEWSLETTER

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Vocation Sunday

Sunday 26th April 2015

Fr. Thomas O'Reilly, P.P.

Parish Website: www.clonasleeparish.com

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WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 8 pm Sunday 10 am

WEEKDAY MASSES

Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs 9 am

Friday – 1st Friday 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 on 057-934-1831 or www.accord.ie

ALTAR SERVERS

Sat May 2nd – Team C: Aisling Dunne, Mary Ellen Tynan, Christy Conroy

Sun May 3rd – Team C: Seán Lee, Aoibhe Mulhall

ANNIVERSARIES

Saturday 25th April – 8 pm

Patrick & Mary Fitzpatrick, Brittas

Julianne O'Neill, Brittas

Alan Mangan, Brittas

John & Catherine Kelly, Coolnabanch

Jack Blake & deceased members of the Blake

Family, Glenkeen & his niece Phil Corrigan,

The Walk, Kinnitty

William Malone, Coolagh

Michael Comerford, Capparogan

Sunday 26th April – 10 am

Anastasia Mulhall, Mountmellick & Mulhall

Family

John & Mary Dunne, Tinnahinch

Wednesday 29th April – 9 am

Paddy Dunne, Chapel Street

Saturday 2nd May – 8 pm

Mary Hogan, Scaroon

Terence & Michael Hogan, Scaroon

Sunday 3rd May – 10 am

Jane, James & John Dunne, Glenkeen

VISITATION OF THE SICK

The sick and invalids of the parish will be visited Thurs 30th April and Fri 1st May in the morning.

ADORATION

Adoration of Blessed Sacrament takes place Friday 1st May from 10am – 7 pm in the Fr Shortall Room.

SAINT VINCENT de PAUL

The monthly SVP meeting on Fri 1st May after Mass in the Fr Shortall Room.

FROM THE POPE

“The family is the greatest treasure of any country. Let us all work to protect and strengthen this, the cornerstone of society”

TIDY TOWNS

Meeting on Mon April 26th at 8:30 pm in the Community Centre. This meeting is to finalise our new 3 year plan and complete entry into the National competition. We have two lovely spirals done, bird boxes, swift boxes, webcam, painting flower planters, bog oak, weeded flower gardens and more done so far. This is where our funds go, into the enhancement of the village and surrounds. Clonaslee was successful with application to avail of a biodiversity action plan. Work evenings on Tuesdays and Thursdays starting from the Heritage Centre at 6 pm. All fly posting must go outside the 60 km speed signs. During clean up week all roads were done, Brittas Lake, GAA field, Brittas wood. Our thanks to Liz Carroll who cleaned from Tinnahinch Bridge into the village and JP Dunne for Tullamore Road. Scoil Bhríde students and teacher helped as well. We ask people to please use bins to dispose of litter and cigarette butts. The committee thank Pat Fenlon and the CCE for the great work and help, it is much appreciated. What a lovely village Clonaslee is, so be proud of it and keep it clean.

THANKS

Laois Wheelchair Association thanks everyone who supported the recent table quiz on Good Friday by either participating or donating to the raffle. Thanks to Swan Bar for sandwiches, those who baked, Billy Daly

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quizmaster, Paddy O'Donovan and the CCDA for use of the Centre. Total amount raised was €453.

CLODIAGH PLAYERS

Rehearsals are going strong for our new production Just Outside Mountmellick written by Dan E Riley. Keep your calendar free for May 19th, 20th, 23rd for a mystery with laughter!

CLONASLEE SHOW SOCIETY

The AGM is on Thursday April 30th at 8:30 pm in the Community Centre.

MASTER COMPOSTER PROGRAMME

Commencing on Wed April 29th and continuing May 6th, 13th, Sat 16th, Wed 20th and 27th in the Maldron Hotel, Portlaoise from 7 – 9 pm. Friday May 29th and Sat May 30th will be in Clonaslee at the compost demo side. Contact Anne Marie Kelly at 057-864-4331.

HOLY CROSS

Bus will be travelling on Thursday May 7 leaving Clonaslee at 5:45 pm. Cost is €15 return and €5 for tea and sandwiches. Names to Maura on 087-212-2766 to book your seat.

PLAYGROUP

Tir na n'Og playgroup are now enrolling for Sept 2015, we are currently participating in the ECCE scheme (free year). For further details or to enrol your child contact Victoria on 057-864-8988 from 9 am – 1:15 pm.

CASTLECUFFE NS NEWS

Congratulations to the 6 pupils from Castlecuffe N.S. who represented their school recently in the 'Co-Operation Is Cool' exhibitions in Laois Education Centre and received first prize in the primary school category. Rebecca Delaney, Sarah Corbet, Aishling Dunne, Sarah Hogan, Rachel Dillon and Joshua McCann did an excellent job of communicating and informing the wider community through their class project 'Travel Away From Climate Change' about the efforts of the whole school community during the past two years as we worked towards our fourth green flag which is based on the theme of Travel. We are anxiously waiting to hear if we have been successful in our recent application for the Green

Flag. If we are successful we will be moving on to the fifth theme – Biodiversity - and we have already started with the installation last year of 3 nesting boxes from Laois Birdwatch.

SCOIL BHRÍDE NEWS

We lost the opening round of the Cumann na mBunscol Roinn 2. Hurling championship to Camross NS on a score line of 3-2 to 7-5. Best of SBC were D.J. Callaghan, Jack Hilliard, Cian Conroy, Josh Flynn. Camogie training resumes on Thursdays 3- 4 pm. Sixth class travelled to Clonaslee College on April 17th to do their entrance exams.

JOBS

Job applications are on the notice board in the corridor of the Community Centre.

COMMUNITY ALERT

Thanks to all who supported our church gate collection, the collectors and Dinny and Betty Finnerty for their help. Total amount collected €515. We are applying for a grant, if you are over 65 and would like a monitor alarm, indoor emergency or sensor lighting, please give your name to Matt Barrett, chairman 087-672-6290. Be vigilant as a house was broken into last Sun night along with a lot of activity in the area. Phone Gardi 057-867-4100 if you see anything suspicious. Sign up to text alert by contacting Matt Barrett.

CLONASLEE PARISH LOTTO

Jackpot not won. Winning no: 17-5-8.
€30 winners: D.R.O. Rigney, Brocca; Eoghan O'Donovan, Clonaslee; R.J.A.L Rigney, Clonaslee; John and Nora Casey, Coolnabanch; Thomas Barrett, Tullamore Road; Keith and Amanda Dunne, Tinnahinch. Promoter's prize: Maura O'Gorman, Ger Kelly, Ger Kelly.
Next week's Jackpot: €1,550.

CLONASLEE ST MANMANS GAA LOTTO

Jackpot not won. Winning no: 24-19-12-16.
€40 winners: Betty Sullivan, Eamonn Lee, Jimmy Digan, Paddy Dunne, Mary Delaney. Promoter's prize: Ger Kelly. Next week's Jackpot: €3,900.