

# ST MANMANS NEWSLETTER

*Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

*Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2017*

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## WEEKEND MASSES

**Saturday 8 pm Sunday 10 am**

## WEEKDAY MASSES

**Mon, Tues, Thurs 9 am**

**Ash Wednesday 10 am & 7:30 pm**

**Fri – 1<sup>st</sup> Friday 7:30 pm**

*Confession before mass*

## 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). They also offer marriage & relationship counselling service Mon-Fri 9:30 am-1:30 pm.

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

## ALTAR SERVERS

**Sat 4<sup>th</sup> March: Team B:** Catherine Hyland, Emma Dunne

**Sun 5<sup>th</sup> March: Team B:** Darragh Mulhall, Paul Mullhall, Ciara Breen, Eimear Kelly

## ANNIVERSARIES

**Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> February – 8 pm**

**Months Mind,** Mary Ann Kearney, Shracullen

**Months Mind,** Joe Flynn, Graiguefulla

Tom & Winnie Delaney, Brocca

Jack Comerford & Mary Comerford, Capparogan

Pat Young, Hillside

**Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> February – 10 am**

Noreen Foynes, Ballykaneen

**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> March – 10 am**

Paddy Breen, Slieve Bloom Park

James & Julia Casey, The Derries

Lil Rosney, her parents Patrick & Catherine

Rosney, Broughla

## VISITATION OF THE SICK

The sick and invalids of the parish will be visited on Thurs and Fri March 2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> in the morning.

## ADORATION

Eucharistic adoration is in the Fr Shortall Room on Friday March 3<sup>rd</sup> from 10 am – 7 pm. All volunteers are asked to attend at their designated time. All persons are welcome to participate in silent adoration during the day.

## SAINT VINCENT de PAUL

SVP meeting after 7:30 pm mass on Fri 3<sup>rd</sup> March.

## MISSION COLLECTION

Our pre-Lent collection for Sr Bridie Hogan's mission in Zambia and Fr PJ Clear in Brazil is this weekend, Feb 25<sup>th</sup>/26<sup>th</sup> Feb in the boxes inside the church doors. Thank you for your generous support.

## CONFIRMATION PROGRAMME

Confirmation programme continues on Tues 21<sup>st</sup> Feb at 7:15 pm in Scoil Bhríde. *Please note change of time.*

## FUNERAL MINISTRY

We are starting a Funeral ministry in our parish to assist families during the initial stages of bereavement with the rosary and funeral practices. We need volunteers to make this possible. If you are interested or want more info, please contact Fr O'Reilly in the sacristy or Parochial house.

## TIDY TOWNS

AGM on Mon 27<sup>th</sup> Jan at 8:30 pm in the Community Centre. All members please attend.

We need a new secretary as the secretary has resigned after many years of hard work.

## FUNDING

The CCDA is holding a meeting to discuss Laois Leader 2020 funding. All committee members and interested parties are invited to attend on Tues Feb 28<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 pm in the Community Centre.

## MOUNTMELICK DRAMA FESTIVAL

Taking place from Fri March 3<sup>rd</sup> to Fri March 10<sup>th</sup> each day at 8 pm sharp in the Mountmellick Community Arts Centre. Season ticket for 8 nights is €50, concession €25. One night ticket is €10, concession €5. For further details and bookings contact Jessie at 087-794-2994.

## TREE PLANTING

Laois/Offaly Irish Wildlife Trust will be planting trees on Sat March 11<sup>th</sup>. All welcome to come along and help Clonaslee community create a new

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woodland patch at the Community Centre.

## **HOLY CROSS**

Bus leaving Clonaslee on Thurs March 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6 pm for St Padre Pio Novena. Cost is €15 return and €5 for tea and sandwiches if required. Names to Maura on 087-212-2766 by Tues Feb 28<sup>th</sup>.

## **LADIES GAA**

If you are interested in joining U14, U16 or ladies GAA group there will be a meeting in March, date to be confirmed. Please contact Frank Fitzpatrick on 087-418-3419 or Mary Rose on 864-8173 for more information. We are taking names for a start in September 2017.

## **ROSENALLIS ST PATRICK'S DAY**

### **PARADE**

Any club or organisation interested in participating in this year's parade please phone Mick Clear 087-416-3867.

## **COMMUNITY ALERT**

Discussed at the meeting was CCTV cameras for the village. Attendance was poor. Matt Barrett, Chairman welcomed new to Mountmellick, Sgt Michael O'Connell and Garda Michael Greaney. Decision made was to go ahead with cameras as they have reduced crime in other areas. A letter will be forwarded to each house within the next week. Your reply, if interested can be left at Fallons, Clonaslee, the Community Centre or with Matt Barrett. We have a quote of €5,800; we are hoping to have a good response back from the community in regards to this. Gardi are fully supportive of this initiative. The committee ask all to be very vigilant as a house was broken in to and emptied. Report anything suspicious to Gardi on 057-86-4100. Do not answer your door to strangers, use your peep hole or press your panic button.

## **BINGO**

Bingo each Wednesday from 2 – 4 pm in the Community Centre. We would love to see more getting out and coming to this for the social aspect.

## **MOUNTMELICK GALLERY & LIBRARY**

IFA Farm Safety talks for parents and children. Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> March at 6pm. Save Lives-Think Safety Farm Safely. Call 057-864-4572.

Adult colouring Thursday mornings 10:30 am.

Why not drop in? All are welcome! Free internet for 15 minutes between 10 am and 11am every morning from Tues to Sat. Laois Libraries are working with other libraries across the country to use a shared computer system and create one joint library catalogue. We do ask that you bring your library card with you each time you visit the library, this will help you get the most out of the new system quickly! For further details ask at the desk! The Gallery at Mountmellick Library is delighted to host "Duality", a collection of artwork created by the artists attending art classes with Caroline Keane. The exhibition runs until Fri March 3<sup>rd</sup> and all are welcome.

## **PLAYGROUND AT COMMUNITY CENTRE**

Dog owners – please be mindful of where your dog roam and their potential behaviour around young children who use the playground. Dog fouling and the presence of unleashed dogs in the playground could pose a risk to young children.

## **CLONASLEE CES SCHEME**

The following vacancies have arisen:

**Caretaker** – Evenings at the Community Centre - Job Ref: CES2030016. **Clerical** - Acquired Brain Injury Ireland in Mountbolus - Job Ref: CES2030017.

**Clerical** - Heritage Centre and Clonaslee Community Centre - Job Ref: CES2030018. To apply for any of the above positions please contact your local Intreo Office – Tullamore, Portlaoise and quote the relevant Job Reference Number. For specific information about the job i.e. duties, hours etc. please contact Caitriona Cashin, Supervisor on 057-864-8277. The above positions are part of the national Community Employment Schemes programme and the eligibility criteria, rates of pay and contract lengths are determined by the Dept of Social Protection. People who are eligible for the above positions can work in their hours in a flexible manner i.e. 19 ½ hours per week or on a week on/week off basis but other options can be negotiated.

## **CLONASLEE PARISH LOTTO**

Jackpot not won. Winning no: 8-6-5. €30 winners: Annette Downey, c/o K Blake; Doireanne Young, c/o Maura O'Gorman; James McRedmond, Clonabeg; Ciarán O'Gorman, "Lissane"; Bracken Children, Capparogan; Fionnuala McManus, Coolagh. Promoter's prize: Shirley Langford, Kathleen Blake, Shirley Langford. Next week's Jackpot: €650.