

ST MANMANS NEWSLETTER

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Sunday 26^h November 2023

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WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 6 pm Sunday 10 am

WEEKDAY MASSES

Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs 10 am

Friday – 1st Friday 7:30 pm

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

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.

EUCHARIST: 2nd/3rd Dec: Team A

ANNIVERSARIES

Saturday 25th November – 6 pm

Thomas & Mary McCann Glebe & members of the McCann Family

Mary Conroy, Coolagh Cross & her daughter

Kathleen nee Quill

John & Bridget O'Gorman, Graigueafulla

Sunday 26th November – 10 am

Months Mind, Seamus McManus, Coolagh

Peter & Mary Hogan, Broughla, their baby son & baby granddaughter Abigail Hogan & deceased members of the Hogan & Scully families.

Saturday 2nd December – 6 pm

Tim & Margaret Murray, Bellair

Deceased members of the Blake Family, Barradoo

Sunday 3rd December – 10 am

Larry Conroy, Brocca

VISITATION OF THE SICK

The sick and invalids of the parish will be visited on Thurs 30th Nov & Fri 1st Dec at the usual times.

ADORATION

Adoration in the Fr Shortall Room on Friday 1st Dec from 10 am – 1 pm.

COLLECTION

Christmas Station collection is next weekend 2nd/3^{ed} Dec. Please use your monthly envelopes.

1st COMMUNION PROGRAMME

1st Communion programme is today Sunday 26th November during 10 am mass.

PEACE LAMP

Considering all the wars and conflicts across our world, we are lighting the Peace Candle during mass. The lamp was produced in a parish run co-operative in the West Bank village of Taybeh.

ATTENDANCE AUDIT

Bishop Nulty has asked each parish in the Diocese to conduct an audit, on Nov 25th/25th and Dec 2nd/3rd, of numbers attending mass. This is to help with future planning and clustering of parishes.

CLODIAGH PLAYERS VARIETY SHOW

Takes place Thurs 30th Nov, Fri 1st Dec, Sat 2nd Dec in Clonaslee Parochial Hall at 8 pm. Contact Suzanne to book your seat [087-399-2355](tel:087-399-2355) or pay at the door.

CHRISTMAS CANDLELIT CONCERT

Tickets are going fast! Ensure your seat and get a ticket now. An evening of song, faith, hope and love coming to Clonaslee in aid of the church roof on Sunday Dec 10th at 7:30 pm in St Manman's Church with Dana, Philomena Begley, Sandy Kelly, Chrissy Mac. Tickets cost €30 and are **available on willwego.com**, local businesses and from Parish Council members. For more info call John 087-351-5805. *Tickets will not be available at the door on the night.*

CAROL NOLAN TD

Carol Nolan TD will be in the Parochial Hall on Thurs Nov 30th from 6 – 7 pm to discuss any issues you may have.

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CHOIR PRACTICE

Choir practices for Christmas Eve Mass will be held every Thursday evening at 7 pm on the choir

gallery. We encourage all existing members to come along, and new members are needed and most welcome.

CHRISTMAS DINNER

The annual Christmas dinner is on Dec 3rd at 1 pm. Anyone over 65 is welcome to attend and may bring someone with you. Catering by Marie. **Names by Nov 27th** to Sec 087-212-2766, John 083-471-2546, Mary Rose 087-207-1166. Music by Rock On Paddy. There will be no raffle, but each person will get a gift to bring home on the day. Help needed on Dec 2nd at 11am to get hall decorated.

CHRISTMAS GIFT

A great gift to give at Christmas is 'A Different Era, Life in a Small Village' written by Fr. O'Reilly costing only €10. Available after masses.

CHRISTMAS CARDS

St. Vincent de Paul Christmas Cards pack of 10 only €5, available after masses.

CHRISTMAS MASS BOUQUETS

Almas Christmas Mass Bouquets available from Betty Finnerty or Dolores Murray. Donation of €3

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Dominic McGorian and Piano Man Tom's Christmas Classics in the Dunamais Arts Centre on Sat Dec 9th at 8 pm. A not to be missed evening will be filled with Christmas classics, Irish ballad, a touch of Opera, musical theatre and many more festive tunes to sing along to and enjoy.

ST STEPHEN'S DAY HOSPICE WALK

Sponsorship cards are available from Sheila Bourke 087-633-9540. Donations of Christmas fruit cakes will continue to be gratefully received. Anyone who would like to help out in any way for an hour or 2 with parking, organising in the Community Centre, at the soup station on the mountain, your help would really be appreciated. For information contact Sheila Bourke 087-633-

9540, Niall Bourke 087-411-6274, Lucy Feighery 087-991-2440, Peter Maher 085-174-2217.

CCDA REPORT

Colm Bergin contacted re: extending lights out Birr Road, hoping funding be available next year. Gutters in Heritage Centre were cleared, and ivy

was removed from kitchen roof. Cost €450. Heritage Centre toilet doors and kitchen door was cleaned and painted. Presses were also cleaned. Trees on The Green were pruned. Flooding at Astra Pitch was drained at a cost of €1135. Electric costs in centre have dropped since solar panels installed but it will take a full year to really work out the savings. Bus shelter will soon be erected. Two new strips of wiring for Main Street to be purchased for Christmas lights. Dog fouling still a problem on soccer pitch. Look at higher mesh for balcony in Community Centre and more benches for players. We got €585 grant for energy bills. Next meeting January 24.

TFI LOCAL LINK BUS

This bus travels to Portlaoise every Tuesday and Friday and to Tullamore every Thursday leaving from the village at 9:20 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

Christmas Lotto Gift Cards now available.

Ideal Christmas present. €10 for 5 Weeks or €20 for 10 weeks. Contact Dolores 087-414-8093 or Betty Finnerty, Chapel Street.

CLONASLEE PARISH LOTTO

Jackpot not won. Winning no: 17-8-10. €30 winners: Edel & Hetty Dunne, Clonaslee; Kathleen Blake, Clonaslee; Mary Harrington c/o S Fitzpatrick; Shirley Langford, Clonaslee; Amy & Holly Dunne, c/o N Dunne; Jude Hatton c/o

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Jimmy Carroll. Voucher: Ryan James Delaney,

Larrigan. Bottle: Teresa Feery. Promoter's prize:

Hetty Dunne, Dolores Murray, S Fitzpatrick.

Voucher: Hetty Dunne. Bottle: Matt Barrett.

Jackpot: €800. Lotto gift vouchers can be purchased from Dolores Murray on 087-414-8093

or Betty Finnerty, Chapel Street. Extra Prizes for Christmas next week.