

ST MANMANS NEWSLETTER

Second Sunday of Easter

Sunday 27th April 2025

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Michael & Margaret Blake, Cadamstown & their daughter Phil Corrigan, Kinnitty

WEEKEND MASSES 3rd/4th May
Saturday 8 pm Sunday 10 am

WEEKDAY MASSES 28th April – 2nd May
Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs 9 am
Friday – 1st Friday 9 am

View a video broadcast of masses in Clonaslee daily at 9 am, Saturday 8 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.

EUCCHARIST: 3rd/4th May: Team B

ANNIVERSARIES

Saturday 26th April – 6 pm

Jo Bracken, Capparogan

Patrick & Mary Fitzpatrick, Brittas

Julienne O'Neill, Kilkenny

Kathleen Connolly, Castleknock

Alan Mangan, Clonaslee

John & Catherine Kelly, Coolnabanch

Nicholas & Mary Anne Dunne, Ballymacrory

John, Mary, Martin Dunne, Tinnahinch

Michael, Micheál, Dan, Sarah Maher,

Graigieafulla

Thomas O'Brien, Reary

Kathleen & Tom McCann & their daughters

Siobhan & Helen, Chapel Street

Jack Blake & the Blake Family, Glenkeen

Saturday 3rd May – 8 pm

Months Mind Val Bracken nee Daly, Coolagh John Murphy, Kilmanman & deceased members of the Murphy Family

Pray for Pope Francis, PJ Rosney, Clara and Anne Moore, Camross who died during the past week.

We entrust Pope Francis to God's mercy and continue to pray for the church as she prepares to elect a new Successor of St Peter: Heavenly God, we commend to Your mercy our Holy Father, Pope Francis. May he enter into the eternal joy prepared for those who love You. Through Christ our Lord. Amen

SATURDAY EVENING MASS

Saturday evening mass will be at 8 pm from next Saturday 3rd May.

VISITATION OF THE SICK

The sick and invalids of the parish will be visited on Thurs 1st May & Fri 2nd May at the usual times.

ADORATION

Adoration is in the Fr Shortall Room on Friday 2nd May from 9:30 am – 1 pm.

TRÓCAIRE BOXES

Please return your Trócaire boxes/donations to the church before or after mass. Do not leave them in the Church at other times.

COFFEE MORNING

The next Coffee Morning is on Thurs May 1st from 11 am to 12:30 pm. It is a lovely social event and all about getting out for a while to meet people and have a chat. There is a €2 charge per person to cover light and heating.

TRACTOR, TRUCK, CAR & BIKE ROAD RUN

Ray Delaney, Pat Carroll & John Joe Heaney are heading back to Africa for another school building project. Join us for on the day for some Bank Holiday Fun. Sunday May 4 in Clonaslee Village with an auction, entertainment and refreshments

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on the day. MC is Rock On Paddy. Registration from 1:30 pm. Run from 3 pm. All funds will be put towards Melon Educate and local charities.

Bealtaine Festival Events: Dry Felting Workshop on Thurs May 8th from 10-12:30 pm. Places are limited so booking is essential-call 0578689382.

Monoprinting Workshop on Thurs May 15th from 12-1 p.m. Places are limited so booking is essential-call 0578689382. There will be many

Contact Ray Delaney 087-299-6778, Pat Carroll 087-254-5187, John Joe Heaney 087-649-2038.

COMMUNITY ALERT

Personal monitor alarms available to anyone over 65 years old. First year is free if you have a land line, or with a mobile phone, you pay for a sim card, but the alarm is free. The following years will cost €66 with Task Community Care. These alarms are monitored around the clock and have saved many lives. If the alarm is no longer required, there is no need to return them to the committee. Phone Secretary if you require one on 087-212-2766.

EASTER RAFFLE RESULTS

Edel O'Brien thanks all who supported and sold tickets for her recent Easter raffle in aid of the Gavin Glynn Foundation. The prize winners were Anthony & Thomas Blake, Liz McEvoy, Oliver Clear, Phyllis Fitzpatrick, Damien Conroy, Grace Culleton, Ava Kiernan, Harriet Keeley, Josh Flynn, Fia McRedmond, Sabrina Daly, Denise Flynn, Amelia Hogan, Kathleen Blake, Murray Grandchildren, Breda Hally, Adam Conroy. Total amount raised was €2,620.

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

more events during May, keep an eye on social media, noticeboards and newsletter for upcoming events. *The Gallery* hosts a solo exhibition by Anna Kupper's of acrylic and acrylic fluid art. *Light therapy boxes* available to use with a library card. *C-Pens* which make it easier to read and learn by reading text out loud are now available to borrow. *Baby Book Club* on Thurs May 1st at 10:30 am. *Junior Book Clubs* for all ages, 4-6 years meeting Tues May 13th at 3:30 pm reading 'The Invisible String', 7-9 years meeting Tues May 6th at 3:30 pm reading 'The Story of Newgrange', 10-12 years meeting Tues May 6th at 4 pm reading 'Shackleton: The Boss'. *Adult book club* meet on the last Friday of the month at 11 am and reading 'The Secret Scripture'. Join us for some *shared reading* sessions where a staff member will read a story or poem. *Lego Free Play* on Sat mornings from 10:30 am to 12:30 pm. 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: 24-20-12.

€30 winner: Pat Dunne, Ballymacrory; Nuala Smith, Bellair; Larry, Helen, Angie Rigney; Cecilia Flynn, Clonaslee; Daragh Conroy, c/o Maura O'Gorman; Edel O'Brien, Clonaslee. Promoters prize: Pat Dunne, Mary Rose Corbet, Fallons. Next week's Jackpot: €650. Lotto gift vouchers can be purchased from Dolores Murray on 087-414-8093

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CLONASLEE/ST MANMAN'S GAA LOTTO

Jackpot not won, Winning no: 2-7-8-17.

€30 winners: James McRedmond, Eddie Carroll,

Adam & Simone, Alex Comerford c/o Stephan,

Bridie Flynn. Promoter's prize: C Downey.

Next week's Jackpot: €14,500 in Downeys Bar.