ST MANMANS NEWSLETTER

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday 27th October 2024

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Parish Website: www.clonasleeparish.com Diocesan Website: www.kandle.ie

Charity Number: 07355 Local Safeguarding Representatives: Jackie Hyland, Caroline Mills

Director of Safeguarding Children: Ailish Higgins: 085-802-1633 Email: safeguarding@kandle.ie Fr Jim Gahan, former PP of Clonaslee

WEEKEND MASSES

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Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs

9am
Fri – 1st Friday & All Saints

9 am & 7 pm

View a video broadcast of masses in Clonaslee daily at 9 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: 1st Nov: Team A
2nd/3rd Nov: Team B

ANNIVERSARIES

Saturday 26th October – 6 pm

Margaret McCann 7 deceased members of the McCann Family, Clonabeg

Mary Carroll, Castlecuffe

Sunday 27th October - 10 am

James McManus, Coolagh Cross

Seamus Conroy, Graigueafulla & baby Grandson Michael

Joe & Annie McCann, Cush, their son-in-law Sean Fitzpatrick, Graigueafulla, their grandson Noel Fitzpatrick, Clara

Saturday 2nd November – 6 pm

Brenda Gardiner, Dublin & Tipperary Roseanne Daly, Castlecuffe

Sunday 3rd November – 10 am

Walsh, Wood of O

Kathleen Conroy, James Conroy & the Conroy Family, Coolnabanch

Timothy & Rose Murray, & their daughter Bridie

Padraig Byrne, Tinnahinch & Chapel Street

VISITATION OF THE SICK

The sick and invalids of the parish will be visited on Thurs 31st Oct & Fri 1st Nov at the usual times.

ADORATION

Adoration is in the Fr Shortall Room on Friday 1^{st} Nov from 9:30 am -1 pm.

COLLECTION

November Dead List collection is next weekend. Please use your monthly envelopes.

CHURCH GATE COLLECTION

Fatima Church Gate collection is next weekend $2^{nd}/3^{rd}$ Nov. Your support is appreciated.

PARISH REMEMBERANCE MASS

To celebrate our families and remember our dead this year the Rosary and Mass will be held in the church on Sun 3rd Nov at 2:30 pm. Each family will be given a candle to bring up to the altar representing their loved ones. Refreshments will be offered in Scoil Bhríde after mass for everyone. *Rosary will not be said in the 3 graveyards*.

MINISTRY OF LAY PASTORAL WORKERS

The Diocese of Kildare & Leighlin is delighted to present our Lay Pastoral Ministry programme. This comprehensive training initiative aims to equip lay Leaders with the essential skills required to serve as lay Pastoral Ministers within Parishes & Pastoral areas. To find out more please attend an information evening starting at 7:30 pm with tea & coffee from 7:15pm. For our area, information meetings are on Wed Nov 6th in Solas Bhride, Kildare Town or Thurs Nov 7th in Dolmen Hotel, Carlow or Thurs Nov 14th in Mt St Annes, Killenard.

BUS TO LIMERICK

A bus will travel to Limerick on Sat Nov 23rd leaving the Post Office, Clonaslee at 8:30 am,

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Rosenallis at 8:45 am, Mountmellick Garda Station at 9 am. Bus leaves Limerick at 5 pm. Seats must be booked through TFI Local Link Office on 057-869-2168 before Wed Nov 20th. Adults: €12 return, under 16: €7 return.

CLONASLEE CLOTHES COLLECTION FUNDRAISER

Items needed - Mens, Womens and Childrens Clothes and Shoes. Bed Sheets and Curtains. Please leave at the shed door at the back of Clonaslee Community Centre before Wed Nov 21st. Call Dolores 087-414-8093 if you have any questions.

CHRISTMAS DINNER

The Social Services Christmas dinner is on Sun Dec 1st at 1 pm in the Community Centre. Take note for your diary. Details will be published later. **CCDA NEWS**

On Oct 14th the following was discussed at the CCDA: We are still corresponding with Irish Water and Laois County Council re: Birr Road path. We got a grant of €2000 to update soap/towel dispensers etc. We have applied for bigger grant to re-vamp the centre. Loan we had to borrow to cover expenses incurred during Covid when centre had no income is now re-paid. Centre is fully booked for the winter months. Curtain rail to be put up, cost to be covered from Credit Union Grant. Congrats to High Nelly on their fund raiser of €35,400 towards church roof. Tidy Towns received Gold Award and €1000 from Tullamore Credit Union. Thanks to St. Patrick's Day committee for their help with Tidy Towns. Conor, son of CCE Worker Sabrina grew his hair and is having it cut to raise money for Laura Lynn foundation. We congratulate him on this. Votes of sympathy extended to all who lost loved ones. Next meeting is on Nov 11th weather permitting.

FLY POSTING

Clonaslee is a Litter Free Village for many years. We ask that all posters be placed outside the 50 km road signs. Thank you for your cooperation.

DOG POO

We appeal to all who are walking dogs to please be responsible and take a bag located at Hillview, Slieve Bloom Estate and Brittas Avenue. It is a disgrace lately, dog poo on the footpaths where children and people are walking. There is a €150 on the spot fine for this if it is reported to Laois County Council.

CASTLECUFFE N.S. ADMISSIONS

Castlecuffe National School will begin accepting applications for the September 2025 junior infant class on October 25th. The application form for admission can be downloaded from www.castlecuffens.com or parents may contact the school and ask for a form to be

posted to them. Phone (057) 864 8238 or email <u>info@castlecuffens.com</u> and give your name and address. The school's Admissions Policy and Notice are available for viewing on our website. The closing date for receipt of applications is November 15th, 2024.

SCOIL BHRIDE ADMISSIONS

Scoil Bhríde, Cluainna Slí will commence accepting applications for admission to its new Junior Infant Class 2025-2026 from October 10th, 2024. The closing date for accepting applications falls on November 11th, 2024. A copy of the

school's admission policy and application form for the 2025-2026 school year is available as

follows: To download at www.clonasleens.com. On request by emailing clonasleens@gmail.com. On the phone 057-864-8334 between 2 pm- 4 pm. On writing to: The Principal, Scoil Bhríde, Chapel Street, Clonaslee, Co Laois, R32WE51

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 info call 057-869-

CLONASLEE PARISH LOTTO

Jackpot not won. Winning no:11-15-23. €30 winners: PV & Hetty Dunne, Clonaslee; John & Laura, c/o K Blake; Dillon, Eve & Jayden, c/o N Smith; Phyllis Fitzpatrick, c/o Flynns PO; Patricia Callaghan, Clonaslee; Christina, Cara & Willie, c/o K Blake. Promoter's prize: Maura O'Gorman, Kathleen Blake, S Finnamore. Next week's Jackpot: €1,700.

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Lotto gift vouchers available from Dolores Murray on

087-414-8093.

CLONASLEE/ST MANMAN'S GAA LOTTO

Jackpot not won. Winning no: 1-7-18-20.

€30 winners: Conor Hyland, Ann Marie Hogan, Liam Conroy, Paddy Friel, Seamus & Geraldine Fitzpatrick.

Promoter's prize: Fallons.

Next week's Jackpot: €10,750 in Fallons Bar.