ST MANMANS NEWSLETTER Fifth Sunday of Easter Sunday 28th April 2024

Fr. Thomas O'Reilly, P.P.

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

Director of Safeguarding Children: Ailish Higgins: 085-802-1633 Email: safeguarding@kandle.ie

Nicholas & Mary Anne Dunne, Ballymacrory

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WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 8 pm Sunday 10 am

WEEKDAY MASSES

Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri 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 premarriage 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: 4th/5th May: Team A

ANNIVERSARIES

Saturday 27th April – 8 pm

Joseph & Catherine Kelly, Coolnabanch Mick Comerford, Capparogan & his sister May Pakie Dooley, Ballinahown & deceased members of the Dooley, O'Rourke & Davis Families Jo Bracken, Capparogan Sheila O'Connor, Ashbrook

Sheha O Comior, Ashorook

Jim & Elizabeth Conroy, Boyle

Eamon & Theresa Conroy, Dublin

John & Mary Dunne, Tinnahinch

Martin Dunne, Tinnahinch

Sunday 28th April – 10 am

Months Mind, Bish/Mary Bridget Casey, Cush Joe Lambe, Ashbrook & his parents

Monday 29th April – 9 am

Matt, Katie, John & Paddy Dunne, Chapel Street

Saturday 4th May – 8 pm

Months Mind, Paddy Flynn, London &

Garryheather

Michael & Eilish Maher, Main Street

John & Kit Carroll, Shracullen

Sunday 5th May – 10 am

Months Mind, Kit Molloy, Tinnahinch

Mary & Edward Holton, Gorrough

Ben Egan, Rathcoffey

VISITATION OF THE SICK

The sick and invalids of the parish will be visited on Thurs & Fri $2^{nd}/3^{rd}$ May at the usual times.

ADORATION

Adoration is in the Fr Shortall Room on Friday 3rd May from 9:30 am – 1 pm.

BAPTISM TEAM TRAINING

A training day for baptism teams will take place in the Cathedral Parish Centre, Carlow from 10 am - 4 pm on Saturday, May 25th. Tea/coffee will be provided throughout the day. Those coming are asked to bring a packed lunch. The day will explore the why of a baptism team, what happens at the celebration of a baptism, what does a baptism team do and the different models of working well as a baptism team. Practical handouts will be provided to participants. If you are interested in joining this team please contact Fr O'Reilly on 057-864-8030.

K&L DIOCESAN DAY IN KNOCK

Join Bishop Nulty on the Kildare &Leighlin Diocesan Day to Knock on Sunday June 2nd. Names now being taken for the bus leaving Mountmellick at 8:30 am. Call to the parish office

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or phone 057-862-4390. Cost €20. Ceremonies

begin at 2:30 pm.

TIDY TOWNS

Dog fouling is a big issue at Slieve Bloom Park, all green areas and walks in the village. Please use doggie bags at Brittas, Slieve Bloom Park and Hillside. After a successful Clean Up, please use the bins for litter. All posters must go outside the 50 km and 60 km road signs. Work evenings for Tidy Towns is on Tuesday and Thursday evenings meeting at Clonaslee Heritage Centre at 7 pm.

COMMUNITY ALERT

Please give Matt Barrett your fee for the text alert. If you require an alarm contact Matt Barrett or Maura O'Gorman.

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

MOUNTMELLICK LIBRARY

Our landline is currently *out of order*. Please either call into the library or email mountmellicklibrary@laoiscoco.ie to book any events or for any enquiries. *Ciorcál Comhrá* - Gach Máirt sa Leabharlann Mointeach Mílic ag 6.00. Comhrá agus craic agus cupán tae.! Fáilte roimh gach leibheál. *Irish Conversation Circle*:

Every Tues at 6 pm. *The Gallery* is delighted to host a *photographic exhibition* by local photographer Kevin Byrne for the month of May. *Sensory "Messy Play"* Morning on Thursday May 2nd at 10 am for 0–3-year-olds and their parents/ caregivers. Email to book a place. *Bealtaine events: Mindful Movement*- Booking is needed for

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this event. Fridays in May at 11 am. Cooking Demonstration about quick and easy budget friendly recipes using an air fryer on Tuesday May 14th from 5-7 pm. Please book in advance. *Illuminating Laois*: A talk on Thursday May 16th at 3 pm by Dr, Christy Cunniffe on the stained glass of the wider Midlands region by practitioners such as Harry Clarke Studios, An Túr Gloine and others. Shared reading groups bring people together to talk, laugh and share on Wednesdays in May at 11 am. as part of the Bealtaine festival. Crochet and Knitting Group meet every Thurs at 11 am to create and chat together. We have books clubs for all ages-baby book club for 0–3-year-olds, children's book clubs for 4-6, 7-9, 10-12-year-olds and two adult book clubs. If interested, call 057-864-4572 for information. Lego Free Play on Saturday mornings from 10:30 am to 12:30 pm. If interested in any of the above and you wish to register call 057-864-4572 or email mountmellicklibrary@laoiscoco.ie_to find out more.

CLONASLEE PARISH LOTTO

Jackpot not won. Winning no: 14-19-7. €30 winners: Colette Kelly, Ballykaneen; Niall Murphy, Broughla; Eilish Dunne, Broughla; Liam Dunne, Broughla; Jimmy Rigney, Clonaslee; Pat Corbet, Ballykaneen. Promoter's prize: Mary Rose Corbet, Maura O'Gorman, Mary Rose Corbet. Next week's Jackpot: €1,100. Lotto gift vouchers can be purchased from Dolores Murray on 087-414-8093 or Betty Finnerty, Chapel Street.

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Jackpot not won. Winning no: 4-10-24-27.

€30 winners: Martin Fallon, Liam Conroy, Loren

Fallon, James Corcoran, Camillas Kelly.

Promoter's prize: C Downey

Next week's Jackpot: €6,850 in Downeys Bar.