ST MANMANS NEWSLETTER Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday 28th June 2020

Fr. Thomas O'Reilly, P.P.

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MASSES

You can watch live mass feed on www.mcnmedia.tv under Clonaslee Parish daily at 9 am, Saturday 8 pm, Sunday 10 am.

1st Friday – 3rd July Mass at 7:30 pm DAILY PRIVATE PRAYER

The church will be open daily, entrance from main church doors only, from 2pm – 6pm for private prayer and lightning of candles. Please observe social distancing while in the designated area. Hand sanitizers are available.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

We can now offer baptisms with no more than 10 people in attendance. Contact Fr O'Reilly.

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.

ANNIVERSARIES

Nicholas & Mary Anne Dunne, Ballymacrory Margaret & Tim Tynan, Garryheather Jimmy Daly, Kilcormac Enda Comerford, Brocca Michael Lambe, Brittas

NEWSLETTER

The newsletter will be online weekly – check it out on www.clonasleeparish.com

See www.kandle.ie for up to date news and resources, including a list of parishes that have webcam so you can join in prayer and watch Masses. Follow Bishop Denis on twitter @BishopDNulty for daily tweets. Like Kildare & Leighlin Facebook page to keep updated.

PLEASE NOTE

Procedures are being put into place to ensure your safety when public mass resumes. Mass will resume 4/5 July. Please go to www.Facebook.com/KANDLEi/videos/54822823

5855368/ to see how to prepare for the return to public worship. Share it with your family and elderly.

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ENVELOPES

Your weekly donations, Trócaire, Peter's Pence, Levy envelopes can be dropped into the Parochial house or alternatively the Diocesan Donation button on KandLe website can be used on www.kandle.ie

FUNERALS

It is important the numbers attending a funeral should not exceed 25. We know this causes huge hardship to be eaved families and is difficult to police, but they are mandatory guidelines.

TIDY TOWNS

Thank you to all who attended our recent clean-up of Brittas woods and surrounds. Thank you to Hilary Fallon for organising the event. A total of 28 bags were collected which Laois County Council came and removed. A word of thanks to LCC.

KILMANMAN GRAVEYARD RESTORATION PROJECT

Meeting of the Kilmanman Graveyard Restoration Project on Thurs July 2nd in the Community Centre at 8 pm. Please be advised that the Centre has been fully equipped with sanitisers, masks, COVID-19 signage etc. Social distancing markings have also been installed in the kitchen, porch/hall area.

COMMUNITY EMPLOYMENT VACANCIES

Clonaslee Community Development Association. The following position is available on our local Community Employment Scheme: *Environmental Worker*, job ref: CES-2146081. Duties include: litter picking, seasonal duties: sweeping leaves,

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grass cutting, painting, planting flowers, weeding etc. Work 19 ½ hours per week or on a week on/week off basis. Other working arrangements will be considered. DSP rates of pay and contracts apply. Please contact your local Intreo Office Intreo Tullamore: 057-931-8500 or Portlaoise on 057-867-8010 to verify your eligibility and to place your name on the interview list. For specific information about the job and/or to discuss flexibility in relation to hours, please contact Caitriona on 057-864-8277.

50/50 DRAW

Clonaslee St Manman's Ladies 50/50 draw is on Wed July 1st. Envelopes cost €2 and are available from club members and the local businesses.

MOUNTMELLICK LIBRARY

Mountmellick Library offer a Contact And Collect services during the following: Tuesdays and Fridays 9:30-1 pm and 2pm-4:30 pm. Library customers must contact the library directly on 057-864-4572 in advance to place an order of books/DVDs/CDs that are currently available in Mountmellick branch. A time for collection will be given, and one member of a household can enter the lobby of the library to pick up the order. Members of the public are not permitted to enter the main library area at this time and other services such as computer access, printing, photocopying, scanning are unavailable at this time. Are you cocooning with no access to books or do you know someone who is? You can now request a selection of books, audiobooks and DVDs from Laois Libraries. Drivers from Volunteer Laois will then deliver them to you house. Call 1-800-832-010, The Laois Community response Forum, if you wish to avail of this service. Virtual baby Book Club is on every Tuesday on the Mountmellick Library Facebook page. The Maypole Project: We want all of youchildren and adults- to write down your experiences of this time in a time capsule or COVID diary. You can post your written pieces in the letterbox of Mountmellick Arts Centre or the library. There is a template of ideas available on

the Yarnbombing Mountmellick Facebook page to print off. Be part of history.

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A Coronavirus Prayer Loving and healing God,

we, the people of Kildare & Leighlin turn to you in prayer, confident that you are with us and with all people in every moment. We stand before you as people of hope, trusting in your care and protection. May your faithful love support us and soothe the anxiety of our hearts.

Generous God,

fill us with compassion and concern for others, young and old, that we may look after one another in these challenging days. Bring healing to those who are sick with the virus and be with their families. May those who have died rest in your eternal embrace. Comfort their family and friends. Strengthen and protect all medical professionals caring for the sick and all who work in our medical facilities. Give wisdom to leaders in healthcare and governance that they may make the right decisions for the well-being of people. We pray in gratitude for all those in our country who will continue to work in the days ahead in so many fields of life for the sake of us all. Bless them and keep them safe.

O God of creation and life,

we place ourselves in your protection. May the mantle of your peace enfold us this day and tomorrow. St Brigid, pray for us. St Conleth, pray for us. St Lazerian, pray for us. May all the saints of God, pray for us. AMEN.

ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen