

ST MANMANS NEWSLETTER

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday 29th January 2017

Fr. Thomas O'Reilly, P.P.

Phone: 057-864-8030

Parish Website: www.clonasleeparish.com

Diocesan Website: www.kandle.ie

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 8 pm Sunday 10 am

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday, Tuesday 9 am

Wed – Feast of St Brigid, Patron Saint 9 am

Thurs – The Presentation of the Lord
Blessing of Candles 9 am

Fri – 1st Friday – Feast of St Blaise
Blessing of Throats 7:30 pm

Confession before 7:30 pm Mass

CONFESSIONS

Every 1st Friday before 7:30 pm Mass.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptisms available on Saturdays. To arrange a date contact 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. They also offer marriage & relationship counselling service Mon-Fri 9:30 am-1:30 pm.

WEBCAM – Live Mass feed on www.mcmmedia.com under Clonaslee Parish

ALTAR SERVERS

Sat 4th Feb: Team A: Eimear Kelly Gráinne Scully

Sun 5th Feb: Team A: Aoibhe Mulhall, Philip Dunne, Emer Dunne, Daniel O'Meara

ANNIVERSARIES

Saturday 28th January – 8 pm

Betty Heaney, Gorrough
Foynes Family, Ballinakill

Sunday 29th January – 10 am

Mary Carroll & Richard Carroll, & members
of the Carroll Family, Coolaboughlan

Patrick Stack, Coolagh & Portlaoise

Gerry Conroy, Ashbrook

Tom & Mary McCann, Glebe

Saturday 4th February – 8 pm

Lorraine Hogan, The Square

Pray for Joe Flynn, Graigueafulla who died during the week.

VISITATION OF THE SICK

The sick and invalids of the parish will be visited on Thurs Feb 2nd and Fri Feb 3rd in the morning.

ADORATION

Eucharistic adoration is in the Fr Shortall Room on Friday Feb 3rd from 10 am – 7 pm. All volunteers are asked to attend at their designated time. All persons are welcome to participate in silent adoration during the day.

SAINT VINCENT de PAUL

There will be no SVP meeting this month.

CONFIRMATION PROGRAMME

The confirmation programme continues on Tues Jan 31st at 7:30 pm in Scoil Bhríde.

PARISH COUNCIL

Parish Council meeting on Monday Feb 6th at 8:30 pm in the Fr Shortall Room.

PARISH ENVELOPES

Envelope boxes have been given out. If you have not received one or wish to start giving a weekly donation for charity tax relief please call into the sacristy after mass.

CLONASLEE COMMUNITY ALERT

The committee are inviting all groups, clubs and all with an interest in the area to please attend a meeting about a community based CCTV camera on Mon Feb 20th at 8:30 pm in the Community Centre.

CHURCH GATE COLLECTION

A church gate collection for the Irish Heart Foundation is this weekend. Your support is much appreciated.

SINGING SESSION

Clonaslee CCE music and singing session is on Friday Feb 3rd from 8:30 pm in the Parochial Hall. A free family event with refreshments served. All welcome.

GIVE BLOOD

The Irish Blood Transfusion Service will be in St Patrick's National School, Mountmellick on Thurs Feb 2nd from 5 -8:30 pm. Patients always need our blood and this need never stops regardless of what else is going on in the world.

DR BULGER'S RETIREMENT

Mass in the Church of the Assumption, Tullamore at 6 pm on Wed Feb 15th. All are welcome.

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SET DANCING

Set dancing classes every Wednesdays in the Parochial Hall Clonaslee from 8 – 9:30 pm. Classes are suitable for adults and children, beginners welcome. For more information contact Elaine on 087-236-2723 or John on 085-285-1772.

TEXT ALERT

Reminder to those who have the community text alert, the €10 renewal is now due. Please contact Chairperson, Matt Barrett on 087-672-6290.

PATCHWORK QUILTING

All levels of patchwork and quilting classes ongoing in the Heritage Centre, Clonaslee. Come join in the fun and learn a new hobby or improve your skills. Start any week, no experience needed! Contact Annette Doolan on 087-988-1046 for more information.

CASTLECUFFE NS ENROLMENT

Please contact Castlecuffe National School on 057-864-8238 if you wish to enrol your child for the school term starting in September 2017. Enrolment forms and information will be given to parents.

SCOIL BHRÍDE ENROLMENT

The village primary school is currently endeavouring to determine numbers for the school year 2017/2018. It is imperative that the parents of all new Junior infants for September 2017 contact the school in writing over the next few weeks. In your correspondence please give details of your child's name, address, date of birth and P.P.S. no. (if known) and your own contact number.

Actual Enrolment forms shall be provided by the Board of Management later in the school year for all those who make contact with us now.

Telephone 057-864-8334 (between 2pm and 4pm each day) for further details.

LINE DANCING

New 6 weeks line dancing class commencing Wed Feb 1st at An Sean Chistin Ire, Ballyfin at 8 pm each night. Learn all your favourite dances to the music you enjoy while doing your workout. Limited numbers so register your interest by phone or text 087-648-2038. Male and female, all ages and abilities welcome.

VOLUNTEERS WANTED

Befriending Laois is a free visiting service which offers friendship to older people. Volunteers are trained and Garda vetted and visit people in their own homes. If you would like to volunteer or wish to avail of the services of Befriending Laois, please contact Laois Partnership Company on 087-272-0715 or email

befriending@volunteerlaois.ie

GRANT FOR REPLACEMENT OF LEAD PIPES

Laois County Council wishes to advise that a grant scheme is now available to assist householders with the cost of replacing lead pipes in their homes. Application forms, which include details of eligibility, may be obtained from the Water Services Department, Laois County Council, Áras an Chontae, Portlaoise, Co. Laois. Further information may also be obtained from our website at www.laois.ie. If you have any queries please ring 057-876-4120.

LAOIS TRIP

Laois Trip bus travels on Tuesdays and Fridays to Portlaoise. Bus leaves the Post Office at 9:30 am, the bus leaves Portlaoise on Tuesdays at 12:15 pm and on Fridays at 12:30 pm. Cost is €3 return for anyone without free travel pass. People travelling on Laois Trip must phone in to 087-743-7444 or 057-869-2168 and leave their number the evening before 6 pm or in the morning to book your seat. This is the only way to book your place with Laois Trip.

CLONASLEE PARISH LOTTO

Jackpot not won. Winning no: 11-12-1.

€30 winners: Kathleen & John Jnr, Barradoo; Anne O'Keefe, c/o M O'Gorman; Josh & Ava Sheeran, c/o J Callaghan; Lance Finnamore, Rosenallis; E Conroy, Graigue; T Barrett, Tullamore Road. Promoter's prize: M McRedmond, E Sammon, N Smith.

Next week's Jackpot: €1,550.

CLONASLEE ST MANMAN'S GAA LOTTO

Jackpot not won. Winning no: 9-18-13-22.

€40 winners: Aimee McCabe, Hillary Fallon, Fiona Kelly, Noel Maher, Eilish Dunne. Promoter's prize: Tommy Smith.

Next week's Jackpot: €5,800.