

ST MANMANS NEWSLETTER

Fourth Sunday of Lent

Sunday 30th March 2014

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WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 8 pm Sunday 10 am

WEEKDAY MASSES

Easter Station Masses: Mon, Tues, Thurs 9 am

Wed – Communion Service 9 am

Friday – 1st Friday 7:30 pm
Confessions before mass

ALTAR SERVERS

Sat April 5th – Team B: Jessica Baker, Amy Farrington, John Blake.

Sun April 6th – Team B: Luke Dunne, Eimear Lee, Sean Lee.

ANNIVERSARIES

Saturday 29th March

8 pm James & Margaret Dunne & their sons Gerry & Andy, Corbally

8 pm Bridie Hogan, Scaroon

8 pm Teresa Conroy, Glebe

Sunday 30th March

10 am Margaret & Martin Delaney, Scaroon

Saturday 5th April

8 pm Benedict & Bridget Egan, Rathcoffey

8 pm Michael Hogan, Scaroon

Sunday 6th April

10 am Christy Sawyer, his sister Mary & deceased members of Sawyer Family, Coolagh

VISITATION OF THE SICK

The sick and invalids of the parish will be visited

Thurs 3rd April and Fri 4th April in the morning.

SAINT VINCENT de PAUL

There will be no SVP meeting this month.

ADORATION

Adoration of Blessed Sacrament takes place Friday 4th April from 10am – 7 pm in the Fr Shortall Room.

CHOIR PRACTICE

Choir practice on choir gallery with Mary O'Gorman on Wed April 2nd at 7 pm.

CHURCH GATE COLLECTION

Kolbe Special School will hold a collection next weekend. All donations will be gratefully accepted.

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

Parishioners are invited to join in celebrating the Chrism Mass in the Cathedral in Carlow on Mon April 14th at 7:30 p.m. At this Mass Bishop Denis will bless the holy oils to be used in our parishes in the coming year. The priests of the diocese also renew their vows and receive the support of the congregation. The diocesan choir will lead the music at this celebration which promises to be a beautiful occasion. Bishop Denis is looking forward to meeting and greeting as many people as possible over a cuppa afterwards.

LADIES NIGHT

Ladies Night on Friday April 4th at 8 pm in the Community Centre. Come for dinner, dancing and craic. Tickets available until Wed April 2nd from Dolores Murray on 087-414-8093 or Annette Doolan on 087-988-1046, Betty Finnerty, Nuala Smith or Kathleen Blake.

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TIDY TOWNS

The AGM will be on March 31ST at 8:30 pm in the Community Centre. We welcome new members and give us new ideas. A lot more help is required if Clonaslee Tidy Towns is to stay.

THANKS

Thank you for donations, prizes and to the collectors of the recent Autism collection. Total amount collected, including the Whist proceeds was €581.

CLEAN UP LAOIS WEEK

Clean up Laois week is one of Laois Co Council's largest anti-litter campaigns. It is run in conjunction with An Taisce's National Spring Clean, Tidy Towns, community groups, residents associations, schools, local businesses and individuals get involved in clean ups. Competition time, in order to highlight all the hard work done, two goodie bags will be given away. To enter, submit your photos taken of clean ups in your area to cleanupweek@laoisco.co.ie Clonaslee Tidy Towns will do clean up on Tuesday April 8 and Thursday April 10 and with students from Scoil Bhríde NS on Wednesday April 9. Please give an hour one of the evenings.

SOCIAL SERVICES

The AGM will be on Monday April 7 at 8:30 pm in the Community Centre. New members most welcome.

EASTER DRAW

In aid of the Irish Guide Dogs For the Blind. 1st prize: Easter hamper, 2nd: beer and treats hamper, 3rd: ladies gift hamper, 4th: gents gift hamper, 5th: Killarney crystal vase, 6th: Killarney crystal candle set, 7th: Newgrange photo frame, 8th: biscuits and wine, 9th: chocolates and wine, 10th: Easter egg and soft toy. Tickets are €2 per strip, 3 strips for €5. Tickets available from Edel Dunne, Chapel Street or at local shops.

COMMUNITY ALERT

Signs for Text Alert are ready to be put up now. You can still sign up for text alert and the cost is €10. More information from Matt Barrett on 087-672-6290. When you get a text, you do not reply back. The number on the signs is what you ring if you see any suspicious behaviour in the area. The committee appeal to everyone to be very vigilant. If anyone calls and says he is from Laois County Council water services, or callers to tarmac your yard, ask for ID and VAT number or just don't entertain them. Press your monitor alarm if you are worried or phone 057-867-4100. The committee will have a church gate collection on April 19/20 as we require much needed funds to get wrist panic buttons and other items.

LINE DANCING

Line dancing every Friday from 10am – 11 am in An Sean Chistin. Please note change of day and time. Further details, Maureen on 087-648-2038.

CLOTHING COLLECTION

For Kenya, Africa please support used clothing collection to aid Fr Nicholas Maanzo and his parish of St Augustine's. Please leave items in bags in church car park on Wednesday April 2nd between 9 am – 12 noon.

CLONASLEE PARISH LOTTO

Jackpot won! Congratulations to James McRedmond, Clonabeg, €2,750. Winning no: 1-15-16. €30 winners: Patricia Barrett, Bellair; Brian Multaney, Clonaslee; Joe Digan, Coolagh; K and C Blake, Barradoo; Beth McEvoy, Slieve Bloom Park; Paddy Farrell, Chapel Street. Promoter's prize: Ger Kelly, Eamonn Sammon, PO. Next week's Jackpot: €500.

CLONASLEE ST MANMANS GAA LOTTO

Jackpot not won. Winning no: 17-8-23-4. €40 winners: Darragh and Roisin, Conor McEvoy, Ciara and Aoife Nolan, Paul Maher, John Brereton. Promoter's prize: Tommy Smith. Next week's Jackpot: €4,150.