

ST MANMANS NEWSLETTER

First Sunday of Advent

Sunday 30th November 2014

Fr. Thomas O'Reilly, P.P.

Phone: 057-864-8030

Parish Website: www.clonasleeparish.com

Diocesan Website: www.kandle.ie

WEEKEND MASSES

Sat 8 pm Sun 10 am

WEEKDAY MASSES

Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs 9 am

Friday – 1st Friday 7:30 pm

Sun Dec 7th, Vigil Immaculate Conception 8pm

Mon Dec 8th – Immaculate Conception 10 am

CONFESSIONS

Every 1st Friday before 7:30 pm Mass.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptisms available on Saturdays. To arrange a date contact 057-864-8030.

ALTAR SERVERS

Sat Dec 6th – Team C: Jessica Baker, John Blake, Darragh Scully

Sun Dec 7th – Team C: Luke Dunne, Sean Lee.

ANNIVERSARIES

Saturday 29th November – 8 pm

Conroy and McEvoy Family, Graiguefulla
Paddy Culleton, St Helens & Jack Culleton St
Widnes and formerly of Shracullen

Sunday 30th November – 10 am

Francey Downey, his mother Dora, Winifred
O'Meara, the Dunne & Downey's,
Ballinahemmy

Peter & Christina Dunne, Brocca

Saturday 6th December – 8 pm

James Dunne, Ballinalug
Christopher & Elizabeth Conroy & all
deceased members of the Conroy family,
Cappanagraigue & Timothy Guckivan &
Fred Duggan

Fr Joe Shortall, former P.P. of Clonaslee

Edward Troy, Brittas

Sunday 7th December – 10 am

Tim & Margaret Mary Murray, Bellair
Margaret & Larry Conroy & their son Larry
Brocca
Michael Costelloe & Mrs Annie Costelloe,
Graiguefulla

VISITATION OF THE SICK

The sick and invalids of the parish will be visited
Thurs 4th Dec and Fri 5th Dec in the morning.

ADORATION

Adoration of Blessed Sacrament takes place
Friday 5th Dec from 10am – 7 pm in the
Fr Shortall Room.

ST VINCENT de PAUL

The monthly SVP meeting is on Friday 5th Dec at
8 pm after mass in the Fr Shortall Room

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

We are in looking for volunteers to become
Eucharistic ministers. If you are interested please
give your name to Fr. O'Reilly.

COLLECTION

Christmas station collection is next weekend.
Please use your envelope for this purpose.

STATION MASSES

Christmas station masses will be held Mon, Tues
& Wed morning at 9 am.

THE GIVING TREE

Cards are now on the Giving Tree to give a gift to
the patients in St. Vincents' Hospital,
Mountmellick. Please return gifts by 14th Dec.
The school children will visit the patients where
they will distribute your gifts.

COLLECTION

Church gate collection is for the Irish Red Cross.

CHRISTMAS FLOWER OFFERING

The tradition of placing Poinsettias around the
altar will continue this year. If you wish to have
one on the altar in memory of your beloved dead,
there is an envelope in your monthly box for this
purpose. Cost €10 each.

PENITENTIAL SERVICE

The penitential service for Christmas will be on
Friday 19th December at 8 pm

CHRISTMAS CARDS

Christmas cards for St Vincent de Paul will be on
sale this weekend 22nd/23rd Nov and 29th/30th Nov
at both masses. Pack of 10 cost €5.

THE SIX MARY'S

The Clodiagh Players present 'The Six Marys'
from Wed Dec 3rd to Fri Dec 5th at 8 pm sharp in
the Parochial Hall. Tickets cost €10,
students/OAP €5, not suitable for under 10's.
Booking line open on 085-783-1104 and is
necessary as there is limited seating.

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ALMAS CHRISTMAS CARDS

Christmas cards for Almas cost €2 for pack of 5 and Christmas Mass Bouquets cost €3. Contact Dolores on 087-414-8093.

ST STEPHENS DAY HOSPICE WALK

Plans are well and truly underway for this year's walk so get those walking boots out and stretch those legs! You can follow us on Facebook, look us up on Clonaslee St Stephens Day. Donations of Christmas cakes and fruit cakes are gratefully accepted. Sponsorship cards are available by contacting Sheila Bourke on 087-633-9540.

CHRISTMAS DINNER

The annual Christmas dinner is on Dec 7th at 1 pm in the Community Centre. Music by Rock on Paddy and a great day is assured. Invitations are out and last day to reply is Dec 2nd, if you don't confirm your attendance you will not receive a dinner so please contact John on 083-471-2546 or Maura on 087-212-2766.

COMMUNITY ALERT

Everyone is asked to be extra vigilant as a lot of recent burglaries have taken place in our area with Garda equipment, trailers, and bucket from a digger plus other items being taken. The foggy nights are suitable for this type of crime. Please report any suspicious cars or vans you see around. Do not entertain callers to your house selling items. Always ask for identification. Those with monitor alarms please wear your panic button, it is no use on the table or in the other room. Anyone with a peep hole should use it before answering your door. Be vigilant.

MONITOR ALARMS

All monitor alarms must be returned to the community alert when the person no longer requires one. They belong to the committee and we install them for the next person who requires one. Please do not give it to anyone else. Teresa Maloney of Task installs the alarms and can always be reached on 087-970-5651.

ROUNDERS

Clonaslee St Manman's Rounders AGM is taking place on Fri Dec 5th in Clonaslee

Community Centre at 8pm. All members please attend.

BUS TO KILKENNY

On Sat Dec 13th leaving Clonaslee at 9:30 am sharp, Rosenallis 9:45am and Mountmellick at 10 am. Bus leaving Kilkenny at 5 pm sharp. Seats must be booked before Wed Dec 10th through Laois Trip on 057-869-2168. All children under 16 must be accompanied by an adult. Adults and over 16 years old cost €5 return, under 16 €3 return.

HOLY CROSS ABBEY

Bus leaving Clonaslee at 5:45 pm Dec 4th. collecting in Rosenallis and Mountmellick. Cost is €15 return. Tea and sandwiches if desired is €5 per person. Names to 087-212-2766. Devotion night to Padre Pio.

BINGO

Social Services bingo has finished for this year. We will start up again in the new year.

CHIROPODIST

The chiropodist will be in the pharmacy on Dec 10th. Santa will be paying a visit before Christmas.

YOUTH 2000 CHRISTMAS RETREAT

Annual retreat from Fri 12th – Sun 14th Dec in Newbridge. Contact 01-675-3690 for booking.

CLONASLEE PARISH LOTTO

Jackpot not won. Winning no: 22-13-14.
€30 winners: Ellie May and Barry O'Keefe, Ballykaneen; John O'Gorman, Clonaslee; Niamh McDonald, Lusmagh; the O'Gorman Children; Ger Kelly, Clonaslee; Anna Snell. Voucher: Sinead Hogan. Bottle: Ann Gleeson, Rosenallis. Sweets: Larry Costello. Biscuits: Jim Rigney. Promoter's prize: Mary Hickey, L Costello, Flynns PO. Voucher: Maura O'Gorman. Bottle: Mary O'Keefe. Sweets: Ger Kelly. Biscuits: Michael Dunne. Next week's Jackpot: €950.

CLONASLEE ST MANMANS GAA LOTTO

Jackpot not won. Winning no: 2-7-14-29.
€40 winners: Martin Dunne, Alice Kennedy, Teresa Feery, Ann Burbage, Peter Dunne. Vouchers: Lamy, Caroline and Nancy, Sean Conroy, N and G Walshe, Betty Sullivan, Ber Sutherland, Jimmy McEvoy. Promoter's prize: Pat Carroll. Next week's Jackpot: €2,500.