ST MANMANS NEWSLETTER The Transfiguration of the Lord Sunday 6th August 2023

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WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 8 pm Sunday 10 am

WEEKDAY MASSES

Thursday 9 am Friday – funeral mass 12 noon

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: 12th/13th Aug: Team C

ANNIVERSARIES

Saturday 5th August – 8 pm

Pat Flynn, Coolnabanch & his son Seamus Flynn, London

Bridie Conroy, Brocca & deceased members of the Yates & Conroy families

Sunday 6th August – 10 am

Bernard & Bridget Multaney, Coolagh Enda (Gussie) Fitzgerald, Ballykaneen Bridie & Jim Murphy, Cooldaragh, Blueball

Saturday 12th August – 8 pm

John & Catherine Costello, Coolnabanch Michael & Michéal Maher, Graigueafulla Dan & Sarah Maher, Graigueafulla Thomas O'Brien, Reary Sean Ricketts, Brocca Joseph & Elizabeth Dunne, The Lodge

Sunday 13th August – 10 am

Margaret & Joseph Digan, Coolagh

MASS

Funeral mass for Phil Lambe, Brittas & Birmingham is on Friday 11th Aug at 12 noon.

NEW ROTA FOR READERS

The new rota list for the ministry of reading is on the Sacred Heart Altar for Saturdays and Sundays.

Phone: 057-864-8030

SCRAP SATURDAY FUNDRAISER

In aid of Mellon Educate on Saturday August 12 from 10 am – 4 pm in the Clonaslee Community Centre. Waste Electrical & electronic equipment (WEEE) and all scrap metal; washing machines, TV's, toasters, kettles, cables, mobile phones, remote controls, batteries including farm fence batteries, all scrap metal. Clothes: all clean clothing, shoes, soft toys, belts & handbags, household textiles i.e curtains & towels, books. Contact: JJ on 087-649-2038, Ray on 087-299-6778, Pat on 087-254-5187. Pease support your local volunteers.

FESTIVAL OF THE MOUNTAIN

Festival of the Mountain and Vintage Rally is on Sun Aug 20th at 1 pm in the Festival Field Rosenallis. Vintage exhibits on the field by 12:30 pm. Vintage and Classic Vehicle Exhibits including tractors, cars, lorries, engines, motorcycles − Pre 1990. Arts and crafts stalls, music dog show, bread, butter and pancake making, spit-roast pork and colcannon, children's entertainment, food stalls and more. Admission: Adults €10 children free. Contact: Daniel 085-184-7390 or Ger 087-213-7494. Email − info@rdvcc.ie Follow us for updates on Facebook: Rosenallis Festival of the Mountain.

CLONASLEE SHOW DRAW

The annual draw takes place on Sun Sept 10th during the Show. €2,500 in prizes with first prize €500 cash. Tickets are €2 each or 3 for €5 and are available from committee members.

SOCIAL SERVICES

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The Social Services outing was a great day. Weather was fabulous. We started with tea and scones in the Newpark Hotel and then on to a guided tour of Kilkenny Castle which went down

a treat, we had an excellent tour guide Eva. Then to the Craft Centre and gardens, a train tour of Kilkenny City which was very informative and loved by all. Roth House, and Canice's Cathedral was worth a visit. The evening concluded with dinner at the Newpark Hotel. A free raffle on the bus where everyone got a gift. Secretary Maura O'Gorman thanks all who travelled, all who donated and gave gifts for the raffle, to Andy the bus driver and those who helped on the day.

REGISTER OF ELECTORS ASSISTANCE

Staff from Corporate Affairs will be in libraries during August to provide assistance to people to check and update their details on the Register. In order to update your details you are required to bring the following your visit: date of birth, PPSN, and eircode. Proposed scheduled dates: August 10: 10 am- 12 noon Portlaoise Library, 2:30 pm – 4:30 pm Portarlington Library. August 17: 10 am – 12 noon Mountrath Library, 2:30 pm – 4:30 pm Mountmellick Library. August 24: 10 am – 12 noon Rathdowney Library. August 25: 10 am -12 noon Durrow Library, 2:30 pm – 4:30 pm Stradbally Library. September 1: 10 am – 12 noon Abbeyleix Library.

WORK EVENINGS

Tidy Towns volunteers will be out every Tuesday and Thursday evenings meeting at 7 pm at Clonaslee Heritage Centre. Anyone who wishes to come on board and volunteer an hour any time the committee look forward to welcoming you.

TIDY TOWNS

No fly posting allowed in the village. Please put all posters outside the 60km road markers. We are a litter free village.

MOUNTMELLICK LIBRARY

. *Irish History Live:* A live interactive event on World War 1, on Thurs Aug 17th at 10 am for those 7+years.. Is your little one starting primary school in September? A 'My Little Library Book Bag' is available free for every child starting school in September 2023 to help them to prepare for this big step. Drop in to pick up your brochure

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for all our summer activities. Summer Stars programme, register and read 8 books and get rewards as you go along. Mountmellick Art Collective meet on Thursday mornings, ring to find out more. Lego Free Play Sat mornings 10:30 am to 12:30 pm. The Gallery is hosting Mountmellick Heritage Society's local history exhibition for the month of August. Sensory room available for 30 minute session. Registration required. Library closed any Saturday of a Bank Holiday weekend. For further information or to book any of the above events call 057-864-4572 or email mountmellicklibrary@laoiscoco.ie.

TFI LOCAL LINK BUS

This bus travels to Portlaoise every Tuesday and Friday and to Tullamore every Thursday leaving from the village at 9:20 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

CLONASLEE PARISH LOTTO

Jackpot not won. Winning no: 3-17-10. €30 winners: Maura & Andy, c/o Muara; Fallon Girls, Clonaslee; PV Dunne, Chapel Street; Ann Flynn, Reary Valley; Loren Fallon, Clonaslee; Pat Dunne, Ballymacrory. Promoter's prize: Leona Murray, S Fitzpatrick, S Finnamore.

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Next week's Jackpot: €1,700. Lotto gift vouchers can be purchased from Dolores Murray on 087-414-8093 or Betty Finnerty, Chapel Street.

CLONASLEE/ST MANMAN'S GAA LOTTO

Jackpot not won. Winning no: 16-19-25-26. €30 winners: Michael O'Brien, Noleen & Christy, Dermot Sullivan, Cara Fallon, Marie McCabe.

Promoter's prize: C Downey.

Next week's Jackpot: €1,450 in Cosy Bar