

ST MANMANS NEWSLETTER
Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
A Day For Life
Sunday 8th October 2017

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Parish Website: www.clonasleeparish.com

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WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 8 pm Sunday 10 am

WEEKDAY MASSES

Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs 9 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.

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. Also on 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 14th Oct: Team A: Eimear Kelly Gráinne Scully, Emma Dunne

Sun 15th Oct: Team A: Aoibhe Mulhall, Philip Dunne, Emer Dunne, Daniel O'Meara

ANNIVERSARIES

Saturday 7th October – 8 pm

Nuala Dunne, Clonabeg

Sunday 8th October – 10 am

Paddy & Mairead Murphy, Bellair

John, Joseph, & Sheila Egan, Coolnamoney

Pray for Jim McEvoy, Ashbrook who died during the week.

1st COMMUNION PROGRAMME

The First Communion programme is on this Sunday 8th October at the 10 am Mass.

MONTHLY BINGO

Bingo in Clonaslee Community Centre on Sun Oct 8th. Doors open at 2:15 pm. First number called at 3 pm. Books cost €3, €6 and €11. Sheets €2. Over €1,800 in prize money.

CCDA

The monthly meeting of the CCDA is on Monday October 9th at 8:30 pm in the Community Centre.

SOCIAL SERVICES BINGO

Bingo on Wednesdays at 2 pm in the Community Centre. Come along for two hours and enjoy bingo, cuppa and a chat. This is a social event to get people out. Everyone is very welcome.

CLONASLEE TIDY TOWNS

The committee scored 316 out of 450 points. Judges said entering the competition for 45 years is an amazing achievement and the community spirit it fosters. Highlighted was the unique display in Fallon's window of all the Tidy town endeavours over the years. Tribute was paid to Mick Fallon for allowing us to do so. The committee thank everyone who helped out, business people, the Community Centre, for the support from Cairiona Ryan and CE employees, Laois County Council and those who gave us help in anyway. Our AGM will be on Monday October 23rd at 8:30 pm in the Community Centre. If anyone has any ideas on what can be done to improve our village in 2018, please come along as everyone is most welcome.

BLOOD DONOR CLINIC

Please give blood in the Community School, Mountmellick on Wed Oct 11th from 5:30 pm – 8:30 pm. Please note change of venue.

CLONASLEE COMMUNITY ALERT

Meeting on Monday October 16th at 8:30 pm in the Community Centre. Sergeant Graham Kavanagh, Laois/Offaly Crime Prevention Officer and Sergeant Mick O'Connell will be attending. We appeal to everyone to be extra vigilant as there have been a lot of robberies in recent weeks. If you see anything suspicious please phone the Gardai on 057-867-4100. Elderly people press your panic button if worried as they are monitored around the clock.

SLIEVE BLOOM MACRA

Meeting on Fri Oct 13th at 9 pm in Fallon's Lounge. All welcome for ages 17 – 35 years.

SET DANCING

Set dancing classes are on Wednesdays in the Parochial Hall from 8 pm to 9:30pm. Suitable for all ages, cost is children €3, adults €5.

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CLONASLEE C.C.E

Music and traditional English singing classes held on Thursdays in the Community Centre starting at 4:15 pm. Beginners and advance welcome. Please contact 085-285-1772.

TEENY TOTS

Clonaslee Teeny Tots Parent & Toddler Group is on every Tuesday during the school term in the Community Centre from 9:30 am – 12 noon. All welcome with lots of fun activities for children from babies to pre-school. Cost is €3 per family. For information contact Cheryl on 087-633-1528

MOUNTMELICK LIBRARY & GALLERY

Put the dates in your diary now. The 19 and over Europe Direct Soapbox competition will be held on Wed Oct 18th and the under 19 competition will be on Wed Oct 25th at 6 pm in Mountmellick Library. Be in with a chance to win an I Pad on the night. Winners will then compete in an All-Ireland final in Dublin for the first prize of €1,000 and a trip to Brussels. The Junior Chess Club is on Sat Oct 21st from 10.30 am to 11.30 am for ages 7-13 years of age. All are welcome but knowledge of basic chess moves is necessary. An adult chess club has started on Saturday morning at 12 noon. Baby Book Club is on Tues Oct 17th at 10:30 am for babies 0-18 months and their parents and siblings. Socialise with other children and babies, listen to rhymes, sing along and pick up reading tips. The adult colouring group meets on Thursday mornings from 10.30 onwards. Drop in do some colouring and have a cup of tea and coffee and a chat. All are welcome. If interested in any of the above ring 864-4572 to book a place or call into Mountmellick Library. All are welcome.

'CONNECTING FOR LIFE' SUICIDE

PREVENTION ACTION PLAN

Laois PPN and the HSE invite you to an Information Session & Consultation regarding the 'Connecting for Life' Suicide Prevention Action Plan for Laois on Tues Oct 10th at 8:00 pm in The Maldron Hotel,

Portlaoise. Information will be available regarding the mental health services provided by the HSE and training in relation to these services. A very informative evening and is open to all. For further details please contact Pamela Tynan, Laois PPN on 057 8665661.

POLLINATORS POETRY

Submissions are invited for this new poetry prize, to raise awareness of Pollinators. Write a poem themed on pollinators. Categories: Age 7-11; Age 12-14; Age 15-18; Adults. Submit entries to Arts Office, Laois County Council, Portlaoise. Closing date Friday Oct 27th. Guidelines and entry forms at www.laois.ie Winners will be invited to read at a special event as part of the Laois Leaves Literary Festival at Emo Court C at 12 noon on Sunday Nov 12th. The event will also feature the premiere of a newly commissioned music work entitled "Thresholds", on the theme of Pollinators, by Ian Wilson

LAOIS OFFALY LOCAL LINK

Bus travels each Tuesday and Friday to Portlaoise leaving at 9:30 am, returns at 12:30 pm. Bus travels to Tullamore on Thursdays leaving at 9:30 am, returns at 12:15 pm from the Bridge Centre. Bus travels to Bingo Sundays leaving at 7:30 pm It is a door to door pick up and you must book through 087-743-7444. The bus will also drop you at hospitals or train stations. Any queries to 057-869-2168.

CLONASLEE PARISH LOTTO

Jackpot not won. Winning no: 7-14-9.
€30 winners: Nora & John Casey, Coolnabanch; Kathleen Blake, Glenkeen; Jimmy Kelly, Glenkeen; Tom Flynn, Glebe; Hetty & Ger, c/o Ger Kelly; Geraldine Foyne Carroll, Ballykaneen. Promoter's prize: Chris Horan, Maura O'Gorman, Imelda Cusack.
Next week's Jackpot: €2,900.

CLONASLEE ST MANMANS LOTTO

Jackpot not won. Winning no: 17-20-26-27.
€40 winners: Cartrage Grogan, Dypmna O'Connell, Mark & Christy, Tadgh Bryan, Eilish Dunne. Promoter's prize: Hickeys.
Next week's Jackpot: €11,200.