ST MANMANS NEWSLETTER

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe Sunday 24th November 2024

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Months Mind, Christy Culleton, Shracullen

WEEKEND MASSES 30th Nov/1st Dec

Saturday 6 pm Sunday 10 am

WEEKDAY MASSES 25th – 29th November

Monday – Children's mass 10 am Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri 9 am

View a video broadcast of masses in Clonaslee daily at 9 am, Saturday 6 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: 30th Nov/1st Dec: Team C

ANNIVERSARIES

Saturday 23rd November – 6 pm

Months Mind, Greg Callaghan, Tullamore Margaret & Thomas Fingleton, Portarlington Annie, John, Margaret & Sister Bridie Casey, Coolnabanch

Sunday 24th November – 10 am

Christina, Owen, Sean & Eugene Mulligan, Walsh Island

Saturday 30th November - 6 pm

Sunday 1st December – 10 am

Months Mind, Val Hogan, Tinnahinch Larry Conroy, Brocca Peter & Christina Dunne, Brocca Pray for Carmel Nugent, Thomastown, Rath who died during the week.

COLLECTION

The Christmas Station collection is next weekend 30th/Nov 1st Dec. Please use your monthly envelopes for this purpose.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR PRACTICE

No practice this week.

CHRISTMAS DINNER

The Social Services Christmas dinner is on Sunday December 1st at 1 pm in the Community Centre. All over 65 years are welcome to come. Catering by Marie's and music by Rock On Paddy. There is no raffle, but everyone will receive a free gift. This is a great social event, with plenty of spot prizes. We will be in the Community Centre on November 30th to decorate and have the place look its best for the party. Anyone free at 11 am is very welcome to come and help, help will also be needed after the party to clean up. Names must be given by Wednesday November 27th as the catering needs numbers. We ask all to please make an effort to contact Maura O'Gorman, Secretary on 087-212-2766 or John Callaghan, Chairperson on 083-471-2546. If anyone needs help, feel free to bring someone with you. In the New Year we hope to have a coffee morning in the Heritage Centre. It would be great to see you all come for a chat and a cuppa

CHRISTMAS FAIR

Christmas Fair in Peavoy's Shop, Clonaslee on Sat/Sun 7th/8th Dec from 11 am - 4 pm on both

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days. There will be gift ideas, festive treats, crafts and lots more! A few tables are still available. Please contact Susan on 087-958-1600 for more information or to book a table.

CONCERT

O Holy Night with Liam Lawton & Friends in St Marys Church, Edenderry on Sunday 8th Dec. Doors open at 6:30 pm, concert 7 pm. Tickets €15 available from Parish Office 046-973-3311.

FLY POSTING

Clonaslee is a Litter Free Village for many years. We ask that all posters be placed outside the 50 km road signs. Thank you for your cooperation.

TFI LOCAL LINK BUS

This bus travels to Portlaoise every Tuesday and Friday and to Tullamore every Thursday leaving from the village at 9 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 info call 057-869-2168

MOUNTMELLICK LIBRARY

The Gallery will host in December the exhibition 'Unapologetically Me' by Pauline O'Connor. Pauline learned mainly by experimenting and is also very interested in the therapeutic effects of art. Winter Wellness Workshop on Tues December 10thh at 3 pm, join us for a talk and cookery demonstration of easy, budget-friendly recipes like lentil soup and nut & seed energy bites. Booking required. Baby Book Club is on Thurs at 10:30 am. Junior Book Clubs: 4-6 years meeting on the second Tues of the month at 3:30

pm, 7-9 years meeting on first Tues of the month at 3;30 pm, 10-12 years on first Tues of the month at 4 pm. Adult book club meets monthly, we are reading 'My Name is Lucy Barton' by Elizabeth Strout for November. Short and Sweet Book Club

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is reading "Passing" by Nella Larsen. Next meeting is Tues Nov 26th at 11 am. *Shared reading sessions* where a staff member will read a story or poem. *Lego Free Play* on Sat mornings 10:30 am - 12:30 pm. If interested in any of the above and you wish to register call 057-868-9382 or email mountmellicklibrary@laoiscoco.ie.

GRAIGUECULLEN BINGO

On Tuesday 26th November in St. Fiaces Hall at 8.30pm. Jackpot on 50 numbers €4,470. Double number €3,120. Lotto €1,250.

Coming soon.....MONSTER Christmas Bingo. Sunday 15th December at 3pm.

CHRISTMAS GIFT

A great gift to give at Christmas is 'A Different Era, Life in a Small Village' written by Fr. O'Reilly costing only €10. Available after masses and the Post Office.

CLONASLEE PARISH / COMMUNITY LOTTO

Why not give a Parish/Community Lotto Gift Card for Christmas. 5 weeks for €10 or 10 weeks for €20. Contact Dolores Murray on 087-414-8093 or Betty Finnerty 087-773-0734.

A great Christmas gift to someone who has everything.

PARISH LOTTO

Jackpot not won. Winning no: 23-15-14. €30 winner: Nora & John Casey, Coolnabanch; T Costello, Clonaslee; Páidí Bourke, Clonaslee; John Callaghan, Clonaslee; Avril Rickard, Ballymacrory; Liam Conroy, Clonaslee. Voucher: Christina, Cara & Willie. Bottle: Niall Corbet,

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Portlaoise. Promoter's prize: Maura O'Gorman, Fallons, Eileen Digan. Voucher: Hickeys. Bottle: Imelda Cusack. Next week's Jackpot: €650. Lotto gift vouchers can be purchased from Dolores Murray on 087-414-8093. Extra prizes next week for Christmas.