

ST MANMANS NEWSLETTER

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Sunday 25th May 2025

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WEEKEND MASSES 31st May / 1st June
Saturday 8 pm Sunday 10 am

WEEKDAY MASSES 26th May - 30th May
Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri 9 am

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 pre-marriage 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: 24th/25th May: Team B

ANNIVERSARIES

Saturday 24th May – 8 pm

James & Ellen Rigney, Garryheather & deceased members of the Rigney Family

Mary & Terence Hogan, & their son Michael,

Scaroon

Nancy Flynn, Coolagh

Mamie Poole Main St

Sunday 25th May – 10 am

John, Tommy, Larry & Mary Ryan Camross

Martin & Bridget Corcoran, their sons Tommy,

John & Billy & grandson Sean, Coolagh

Phil & Pat Carroll, Ballykaneen

Saturday 31st May- 8pm

Alan McEvoy, Bellair

Una Tynan, The Heath

Ester Heffernan, Portlaoise

Eamon & Mary Multaney, Killyon Kinnitty

Margaret Dunne, Hillside

Sunday 1st June – 10am

Paddy & Anne Conroy, Brittas

1st COMMUNION CELEBRATION

Congratulations to the 21 students who received their 1st Communion.

CEMETERY MASSES at 7:30 pm

Clonaslee Cemetery: Friday June 6th

Corrigeen Cemetery: Friday June 13th

Kilmanman Cemetery: Friday June 20th

REARYMORE CEMETERY MASS

On Friday June 27th at 7:30 pm. Please note: if inclement weather mass will be in St Bridget's Church.

TRÓCAIRE BOXES

Please return your Trócaire boxes/donations to the church before or after mass. Do not leave them in the Church at other times.

COLLECTION

Retired Priest Fund collection is this weekend 24th/25th May. Please use your monthly envelopes. masses. Meeting concluded with sympathies extended to all who lost loved ones.

CLONASLEE TIDY TOWNS

The SuperValu National Tidy Towns entry has been submitted for Clonaslee for this year's competition. Judging will likely commence at the end of May. Please keep our village and surrounds litter & weed free. If you are free at any time to help it would be much appreciated.

Slieve Bloom Association

SBA are hold a walk to the Stoney Man, Cappard on Monday 2/6/'25 (Bank Holiday) assembling at

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Ridge of Cappard Carpark 12noon setting out at 12.30 sharp. All are very welcome. Refreshments after walk in Rosenallis Community Centre

will launch on Tuesday 3rd June at 7 p.m. The exhibition will run until 27th June during library opening hours. All are welcome!

Cruinniú na nÓg: On Saturday 7th June at 12.30 p.m. there will be a shadow puppet workshop for 7-12 year olds with Julie Rose Mc Cormack. There are limited places so booking is essential!

Email mountmellicklibrary@laoiscoco.ie.

Where is your energy going?! Available from Mountmellick Library, the Home Energy Saving Kit contains six practical tools to help you save energy at home and can help identify common problems such as lack of insulation, poor ventilation and the appliances in the home that might be driving up electricity bills. You can borrow the kit for a duration of 2 weeks in order to conduct a mini home energy audit. If you wish to be added to the waiting list for this item call 0578644572 or

email mountmellicklibrary@laoiscoco.ie.

New Service: Light therapy boxes available to use in Mountmellick Library with a library card! Light therapy is proven to put you in a better mood, to boost alertness and to help you feel more awake. Use Vitamin L wherever and whenever you need to restore concentration and give yourself a mental boost. Ask at the desk!

New service!! C-Pens which make it easier to read and learn by reading text out loud are now available to borrow from Mountmellick library, ask at the desk for more information.

Book Clubs: New members welcome to all these book clubs! To call 0578689382 or drop into the library. Books are available for collection behind the counter! 7-9yrs, Meeting Tuesday June 3rd at 3.30pm., last one before the summer break! 10-12yrs, Meeting Tuesday June 3rd at 4pm, last one before the summer break!

Baby Book Club takes place on Thursday mornings at 10:30am. Adult Book Club last Friday of May at 11 a.m.

Books available for collection at library desk. Last one before the summer break!

Lego Free Play - On Saturday mornings in Mountmellick Library from 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. No need to book just drop in to meet and create together!

Clonaslee St. Manmans GAA Lotto

Jackpot not won. Winning No:9,13,15,28
€30 winners.Martina Lynam Gavin Dunne
Gavin Delaney Hickeys Ethan Flanagan,
Lucy Callaghan

Promoter Prize JJCarroll

Next Weeks Jackport €15100 in Hickeys

COMMUNITY & PARISH LOTTO

Jackpot not won. Winning no: 1-15-2.

COFFEE MORNING

The next Coffee Morning is Thurs May 29th from 11 am to 12:30 pm. There is a €2 charge per person to cover light and heating.

COMMUNITY ALERT

Personal monitor alarms available to anyone over 65 years old. First year is free if you have a land line, or with a mobile phone, you pay for a sim card, but the alarm is free. The following years will cost €66 with Task Community Care. These alarms are monitored around the clock and have saved many lives. If the alarm is no longer required, they must be returned to the committee as we install them for someone else. Phone Secretary if you require one on 087-212-2766.

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 information call 057-869-2168.

Mountmellick Library

Craft Sessions: On Wednesday mornings in May at 10.30 a.m. Do you crochet, knit, sew or craft? Then drop in and meet like-minded people and enjoy a cuppa in the library. Ciorcál Comhrá: On Tuesdays, from Tuesday 6th May at 11 a.m.: Beidh fáilte róimh cupán tae a ól agus cúpla focal Gaeilge a labhairt nó a canadh!

Art gallery: The gallery in Mountmellick library is delighted to host for the month of June the Laois Quilters group exhibition of art quilts, "How We See It". The exhibition

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€30 winner: Samantha & John Corbet, Mary

Tynan, Michael Rigney, Deirdre Comerford,

Ryan James Delaney, Pat Dunne

Promoters prize: S. Finnamore, K. Blake, Fran

Bates Next week's Jackpot: €1,250. Lotto gift

vouchers can be purchased from Dolores Murray

on 087-414-8093