

ST MANMANS NEWSLETTER

Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday 10th November 2024

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James, Brigid & Paddy Rosney, Larrigan
Peter & Mary Hogan, theirs baby son,

WEEKEND MASSES 16th/17th November
Saturday 6 pm Sunday 10 am

WEEKDAY MASSES 11th – 15th November
Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri 9am

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 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: 16th/17th Nov: Team A

ANNIVERSARIES

Saturday 9th November – 6 pm

David Brickley, Main Street

Mary & Timothy Ryan, Terenure

Pak & Peggy Dunne, Tinnahinch & Maher Family
Ballinalug

James & Kathleen Cusack, Brittas, Liam Cusack,
Dublin & deceased members of the Cusack
Family

Denis Beirne, Bunclody & Clonaslee

Sunday 10th November – 10 am

Laurence Conroy, Brocca

Bridie & Joe Culleton, Coolaboughlan & parents

Richard & Mary Carroll

Annamay O'Keefe, Brocca

Kathleen Culleton, Hillside

Saturday 16th November – 6 pm

Winifred Flanagan, Arden Heights, Tullamore

Sunday 17th November – 10 am

granddaughter Abigail & deceased members of the Hogan & Scully Families.

1st COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION

1st Communion programme is on today Sun 10th at 10 am mass. Confirmation programme takes place next Sun 17th Nov 14th at 10 am mass.

NEW EUCHARIST MINISTRY ROTA

The new rota for Eucharistic ministers is on the Sacred Heart Altar.

MINISTRY OF LAY PASTORAL WORKERS

The Diocese of Kildare & Leighlin is delighted to present our Lay Pastoral Ministry programme. This comprehensive training initiative aims to equip lay Leaders with the essential skills required to serve as lay Pastoral Ministers within Parishes & Pastoral areas. To find out more please attend an information evening starting at 7:30 pm with tea & coffee from 7:15pm. The information meeting is Thurs Nov 14th in Mt St Annes, Killenard.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR PRACTICE

Choir practice for children is on Wed 13th Nov from 6:45 – 7:15 pm. All welcome.

CLONASLEE TIDY TOWNS NATIONAL RESULTS

Clonaslee Tidy Towns received a total of 351 marks in the National Competition in 2024 - an increase of 13 marks from our 2023 entry. The report overall was very good on the village in general and we were delighted that the village was litter and weed free the day judging took place. Tuesdays and Thursdays saw 3 volunteers out on most work evenings with a lot of work to be done. Local businesses were complimented how well the shop fronts are maintained, the Community Center and the Church. The Committee wish to thank the volunteers who came out and looked after their areas with flowerbeds at Capparogan and Hillside Estate getting a particular mention in the report, the local businesses for their ongoing support, Laois County Council and all their staff, Cllrs.

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Seamus McDonald and Conor Bergin for their support. CE Supervisor and CE Participants and Clonaslee St Patrick's Parade Committee for their help. We will continue our hard work for the

name and address. The closing date for receipt of applications is November 15th, 2024.

SCOIL BHRIDE ADMISSIONS

Scoil Bhríde, Cluainna Slí will commence accepting applications for admission to its new Junior Infant Class 2025-2026 from Oct 10th, 2024. The closing date for accepting applications

coming year and would welcome anyone who wishes to come on board to help. The report is available in Flynn's Londis and Hogans Shop for anyone who wishes to get a copy of it.

falls on Nov 11th, 2024. A copy of the school's admission policy and application form for the 2025-2026 school year is available as follows: To download at www.clonasleens.com. On request by emailing clonasleens@gmail.com. On the phone 057-864-8334 between 2 pm- 4 pm. On writing to: The Principal, Scoil Bhríde, Chapel Street, Clonaslee, Co Laois, R32WE51

BUS TO LIMERICK

A bus will travel to Limerick on Sat Nov 23rd leaving the Post Office, Clonaslee at 8:30 am, Rosenallis at 8:45 am, Mountmellick Garda Station at 9 am. Bus leaves Limerick at 5 pm. Seats must be booked through TFI Local Link Office on 057-869-2168 before Wed Nov 20th. Adults: €12 return, under 16: €7 return.

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

CLONASLEE CLOTHES COLLECTION FUNDRAISER

Items needed - Mens, Womens and Childrens Clothes and Shoes. Bed Sheets and Curtains. Please leave at the shed door at the back of Clonaslee Community Centre before Wed Nov 21st. Any questions ring Dolores 087-414-8093.

CHRISTMAS DINNER

The Social Services Christmas dinner is on Sun Dec 1st at 1 pm in the Community Centre. All over 65 years are welcome to come. Contact Maura O'Gorman 087-212-2766 for information. More details will be published later

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.

CASTLECUFFE N.S. ADMISSIONS

Castlecuffe National School will begin accepting applications for the September 2025 junior infant class on October 25th. The application form for admission can be downloaded from www.castlecuffens.com or parents may contact the school and ask for a form to be posted to them. Phone (057) 864 8238 or email info@castlecuffens.com and give your

MOUNTMELICK LIBRARY

In *The Gallery* is Street Photography exhibition by Laszlo Vig. *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* is reading "Passing" by Nella Larsen. Our next meeting is Tues Nov 26th at 11 am. Join us for a cuppa at the *Ciorcal Comhrá* each Tues at 6 pm, all levels welcome. *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.

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CLONASLEE PARISH LOTTO

Jackpot not won. Winning no: 20-15-12.

€30 winner: L Murray, Clonaslee; Ciara Breen, Shraduff; Pat Dunne, Ballymacrory; Regina Lawlor, Cloonagh; Denise Flynn, Main Street; Jane Gonoud, Brocca. Promoter's prize: Mary O'Keeffe, Matt Barrett, S Fitzpatrick. Next week's Jackpot: €2,000. Lotto gift vouchers can be purchased from Dolores Murray on 087-414-8093.