

ST MANMANS NEWSLETTER

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday 19th January 2025

Fr. Thomas O'Reilly, P.P.

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Charity Number: 07355

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Larry Costello, Graigueafulla & deceased

WEEKEND MASSES 25th/26th Jan

Saturday 6 pm

Sunday 10 am

WEEKDAY MASSES 20th- 24th Jan

Mon, 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 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: 25th/26th Jan: Team B

ANNIVERSARIES

Saturday 18th January – 6 pm

Mary Multaney, Castlecuffe

Martin Dunne, Tinnahinch

Ned Smith, Chapel Street

Sunday 19th January – 10 am

Sean Fitzpatrick, Graigueafulla, his son

Noel Fitzpatrick, Clara & his parents,

Patrick & Ellen Fitzpatrick, Killurine

members of the Costello Family
Paddy & Margaret Corbet, Ballykaneen
John & Ellen Ryan, Camross

Saturday 25th January – 6 pm

Nora Conroy, Clarahill

Betty Heaney, Gorrough & her parents

Mary & Joe Barnett, Cappard

Attracta Fallon, Derryguile

Ger Conroy, Ashbrook

Joe & Rita Flynn, Graigueafulla

Pray for Josie Kilgannon nee Murray, Liverpool and Bellair. Her remains arrive at the church Mon 20th Jan at 6 pm. Funeral mass on Tues 21st Jan at 1 pm. ***Pray for*** Tess Stodel nee Dunne who died during the past week.

COLLECTION

Candlemas collection is this weekend. Please use your monthly envelopes for this purpose.

COFFEE MORNING

Coffee mornings will start on Wednesday February 19th in the Heritage Centre from 11 am to 12:30 pm. Everyone is welcome to come along for a chat and a cuppa for an hour. Feel free to bring cards if anyone is interested in having a game of cards. There is a €2 charge per person to cover light and heating. For more information contact 087-212-2766.

CLONASLEE TIDY TOWNS

Tidy Towns will meet in the Clonaslee Heritage Centre on Wednesday January 22nd at 7:30 pm to discuss the last year and plan for the coming year. All welcome to attend.

COMHALTAS CLONASLEE

Music classes continue every Monday in the Community Centre from 4:30 pm. New members

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welcome. For more information call 083-441-0793.

MOUNTMELLICK LIBRARY

Please note Mountmellick Library will not open till 11 am on Fri Jan 24th. *C-Pens* which make it easier to read and learn by reading text out loud are now available to borrow. *The Home Energy*

Saving Kit contains six practical tools to help you save energy at home and can help identify common problems. Contact us to be added to the waiting list. In *The Gallery* is the Mountmellick Camera Club. *Baby Book Club* returns on Thurs Jan 30th at 10:30 am. *Junior Book Clubs* for all ages, 4-6 years meet the second Tuesday of the month at 3:30 pm, 7-9 years meet on first Tuesday of the month at 3:30 pm, 10-12 years on first Tuesday of the month at 4 pm. *Adult book club* meet on the last Friday of the month at 11 am. Join us for some *shared reading sessions* where a staff member will read a story or poem. We then talk together about what we think and feel about it. *Lego Free Play* on Sat mornings from 10:30 am to 12:30 pm. *Sensory Room* available, this service is for the use of children and adults with additional needs with their parent/carer present. *Sensory Toy Resource Collection*: This service is for parents of children with additional needs who live in County Laois. To register for the service, you must have a referral letter from O.T., G.M.P., physio or other professional. If interested in any of the above and you wish to register call 057-868-9382 or email mountmellicklibrary@laoiscoco.ie.

COMMUNITY & PARISH

LOTTOCOMMUNITY & PARISH LOTTO

Jackpot not won. Winning no: 11-14-12.

€30 winner: Grace, Caoimhe & Mollie c/o Fallons; Patrick & Nancy; Shirley Langford, Clonaslee; Liam Murray, Clonaslee; Tony Slevin, Coolagh; Edel & Thomas O'Brien, Clonaslee. Promoter's prize: Dolores Murray, S Finnamore, Trish Costello.

Next week's Jackpot: €650. Lotto gift vouchers can be purchased from Dolores Murray on 087-414-8093

CLONASLEE/ST MANMAN'S GAA LOTTO

ST PATRICK'S DAY COMMITTEE

Meeting on Thurs Jan 23rd at 8:30 pm in the Community Centre. Members please attend.

CCDA REPORT

The following was discussed at the recent Clonaslee Community Development Association meeting: A very successful Christmas Dinner for over 65s. All involved were thanked. Thanks to Laois County Council for clearing the snow and the gritting carried out around village and schools. Thanks to IFA for clearing Health Centre. A letter to be sent in hoping Tullamore Road will be included in future. Stage curtain pullies are now up. Thanks to all involved with Christmas lights. New lighting is installed in and around the Community Centre. A grants update was given by Treasurer. Coffee morning was discussed. Votes of sympathy extended to all. Next meeting is February 10th.

CONCERT

Dana's Cross & Cloak Concert in aid of the All Ireland Sacred Heart Crusade and featuring local artists on Sunday 2nd February at 7:30 pm with doors opening at 6:30 pm in The Manor Hotel, Abbeyleix R32 VE24. Tickets €25 by booking on eventbrite.ie For more information contact Antoinette on 086-080-3047.

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.

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Jackpot not won. Winning no: 1-8-24-26.

€30 winners: Shane Conroy, Kate Dunne, Jimmy McEvoy, The Carroll Family, Hillside View, Emily & Ruby Kelly.

Promoter's prize: Post Office.

Next week's Jackpot: €12,400 in Downeys Bar.