

ST MANMANS NEWSLETTER

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday 11th February 2024

Fr. Thomas O'Reilly, P.P.

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Charity Number: 07355

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1 pm Memorial Mass, Enda Corcoran, Spain,

formerly of Coolagh

Sat 17th Feb - 6 pm Jim Delaney, Larrigan

Sunday 18th February – 10 am

Pat Young, Hillside

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 6 pm Sunday 10 am

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday, Tuesday 10 am

Thurs, Fri 9:30 am

Wed – Ash Wednesday 9:30 am & 7 pm

View a video broadcast of masses in Clonaslee daily at 10 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: 14th Feb: Team B

17th/18th Feb: Team C

ANNIVERSARIES

Saturday 10th February – 6 pm

Maryanne & Tom Kearney & their daughter

Kathleen, Shracullen

Paddy & Chrissie Breen, Slieve Bloom Park

Sunday 11th February – 10 am

Martin & Brigid Corcoran & their son Tommy,

Coolagh

Monday 12th February – 10 am

Brigie Dunne, Capparogan & her sons Paddy

& Joe and Tommy Flynn, Chapel Street

Saturday 17th February

WEEKDAY LENTEN MASSES

During Lent mass will be held at 9:30 am to facilitate parents dropping children to school.

Why not do something extra for Lent and attend weekday mass.

COLLECTION

The Diocesan Levy collection is on this weekend 10th/11th Feb. Please use your monthly envelopes for this purpose.

MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Training for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion is on from 10 am – 4 pm on Sat 24th Feb in Emo National School. Please contact Fr O'Reilly or Annette Doolan 087-988-1046 if you would like to take part in this training.

ST PATRICK'S DAY PARADE GROUP

This group meet every Thursday at 8:30 pm in the Clonaslee Community Centre to organise the upcoming St Patrick's Day parade. All are welcome to join us.

CCDA - AGM

The AGM of Clonaslee Community Development Association will be held on Mon Feb 12th at 7:45 pm in the Community Centre.

COMMUNITY ALERT

Text Alert: Approximately half those receiving texts have not paid the annual €10, please do so as soon as possible if you intend on staying with it. Contact Matt Barrett if you no longer want to receive the text alerts. If you see any suspicious or strange cars around at any time, please phone the

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Gardi. Anyone over 66 years can install a monitor alarm, although there is no money to install sensor

for ages 0-3 years. *Adult book club* on Fri Feb 23rd at 11am. *Short story club* meeting is Tues Feb 27th at 11 am. *Junior book clubs*: 4-6 year olds Tues Feb 13th at 3:30 pm, 7-9 year olds on Tues March

or indoor lights. Those who have monitor alarms, press your panic button as help is always on hand. Be vigilant and look out for each other. Keep our community safe.

5th at 3:30 pm and 10-12 year olds on Tues March 5th at 4 pm. *Shared reading groups* bring people together to talk, laugh and share.. *The Gallery* is host to The People & Places Exhibition: A Selection from the Kenrick Photo Collection 1895 – 1915. *Lego Free Play* on Saturday mornings from 10:30 am to 12:30 pm. *Mountmellick Arts Collective* meet on Thurs mornings. *Campaign against Period poverty* there are free sanitary products in the bathrooms of Mountmellick, Portlaoise and Abbeyleix libraries. *The Home Energy Saving Kit* contains six practical tools to help you save energy at home. You can borrow the kit for 2 weeks in order to conduct a mini home energy audit. Contact us to be added to the waiting list. If interested in any of the above and find out more call 057-864-4572 or email mountmellicklibrary@laoiscoco.ie

BUS SHELTER DELAYED

Clonaslee Tidy Towns Bus Shelter has been put on hold at present due to a complaint going into the Planning Department of Laois County Council. Retention Permission must be sought for the concrete base developed at Main Street, Clonaslee and Planning Permission for the installation of the Bus Shelter at a cost of €1,350 to a voluntary organisation within the Community who work tremendously hard all year round.

YOGA

Tuesday Yoga class in Gaelscoil an Eiscir Riada, Tullamore at 6 pm with Patricia McLoughlin. Call 085-875-1431 to book a place.

TFI LOCAL LINK BUS

This bus travels to Portlaoise every Tuesday and Friday and to Tullamore every Thursday leaving from the village at 9:20 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

Ireland Reads Day on Sat, Feb 24th, *Parent & Child Craft* table from 11am. *Baby Book Club* takes place on Tues mornings at 10:30 am

GRAIGUECULLEN VALENTINEs BINGO

Tuesday 13th Feb in St. Fiacc's Hall at 8:30 pm. Jackpot on 50 numbers €2,000. Double number €950. Lotto €500. FREE Pink sheet with every book, 2 free with double book.

CLONASLEE PARISH LOTTO

Jackpot not won. Winning no: 18-20-23. €30 winners: K Blake, Clonaslee; Shane & Patsy Rigney; Edel Dunne, Ballymacrory; Marcus & Mary Ann, c/o Matt; S Rigney, c/o Hickeys; Eileen & Grace Digan, Clonaslee. Promoter's prize: S Langford, D Murray, C Horan. Next week's Jackpot: €950. Lotto gift vouchers can be purchased from Dolores Murray on 087-414-8093 or Betty Finnerty, Chapel Street.

CLONASLEE/ST MANMAN'S GAA LOTTO

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Jackpot not won. Winning no: 9-10-21-24.

€30 winners: Michael O'Brien, Annie & Neil

Digan, Alison, Gary & Eimer Kelly, The Goat,

Ronan & Patricia. Promoter's prize: C Downey.

Next week's Jackpot: €5,200 in Fallons Bar.