ST MANMANS NEWSLETTER The Ascension of the Lord Sunday 12th May 2013

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WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 8 pm Sunday 10 am

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Monday – Communion Service 9 am

Thursday, Friday 9am

ALTAR SERVERS

Sat May 18th – Team C: Eoin Conroy, Kathleen Blake, Roisin O'Donovan, Jake Smith Sun May 19th – Team C: Orla Conroy, Shay Foynes, Ciara Foynes, Ciaran Fitzgerald.

ANNIVERSARIES

Saturday 11th May

8pm **Months Mind,** Mary Cuddy, Sliabh Bloom Park

8 pm Eamon Kennedy, Cloonagh

8 pm Michael Conroy & deceased members of the Conroy Family, Clarahill

Saturday 18th May

8 pm Mamie Poole, Main Street

8 pm John Conway, Coolagh

8 pm Nora Cody, Kilcormac

8 pm Jack Blake & deceased members of the Blake Family, Glenkeen

Sunday 19th May

10 am John Carroll, Shracullen

Pray for Jack Malone Junior, Chicago and Phil Corrigan nee Blake, Kinnitty who died during the week.

Also Dick Underwood, Cappinagrague, internment takes place this Sunday 12 May after 12 noon mass in Caragh Cemetery Co Kildare.

FIRST COMMUNION – THE BEGINNING

OF A NEW JOURNEY:

This is a special time in our parish when our young people have received their First Holy Communion. They have received a special gift, which will enrich and sustain them throughout their entire lives. This is a treasure to be cherished. We acknowledge the support of parents and families and we thank our schools and dedicated staffs for their central work in preparing the children for the sacraments and handing on the faith.

COMMUNITY CHOIR

Choir practice is this Sun 12th May at 6:30 pm.

COLLECTION

Church gate collection for Irish Cancer Society is on 18th/19th May during both masses. Your support is greatly appreciated.

GREAT FAMINE

In memory and to honour the victims of the Great Famine, churches throughout Ireland will ring their bells on Sunday May 12.

BICENTENARY CONCERT

St Manman's Church is 200 years old so we're having a celebration concert in the church on Fri May 24th at 8 pm. A fantastic line up with Portlaoise Gospel Choir, La Cheile, Sax Sisters, Community Choir, Scoil Bhríde and Castlecuffe NS children, Emer Dunne and James Kilbane, the feature artist. Music will be varied and fun so it's an event for all the family. Tickets available from Ger Kelly Butchers, Flynn's Post Office, Hogans Shop, during mass times and from Annette Doolan 087-988-1046 or Dolores Murray 087-414-8093.

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CCDA

The monthly meeting is on Mon 13th May at 8:30 pm in the Community Centre.

CLONASLEE SHOW SOCIETY

Clonaslee Show Society is holding its AGM on Thursday May 16 at 8 pm in the Community Centre.

THANKS

Scoil Bhríde Parents Association would like to thank Bernie Chalke of the Mark Heffernan Foundation for the recent donation of a defibrillator to the school. We are placing the defibrillator outside the school to facilitate both Scoil Bhríde and the GAA. Presentation was made to Caroline Mulhall, Chairperson of the Parents Association and John O' Sullivan, Principal of Scoil Bhríde. Also present was Jody Conway representing the GAA. The Ambulance service will be providing training on the use of the defibrillator to parents and members of the GAA in the near future.

COMMUNITY ALERT

Since the present committee formed in 2002, over €30,000 has been spent on installing monitor alarms, sensor lighting, indoor emergency lights, peep holes, door chains and locks for the elderly of Clonaslee and surrounds. Funding is only for alarms and no longer granted for other requirements so we will continue to do our best. Anyone who has alarms and no longer requires it please return to the committee. Contact Teresa Moloney if problems arise with your alarm on 087-970-5651. Remember to always wear your panic button and press your alarm every month to make sure it is working.

TIDY TOWNS

Work evenings on Tues & Thurs at 6 pm from Heritage Centre. We appeal to all please put cigarette butts in bins. There is no excuse as there is ample supply of bins. The litter challenge is now in progress and for Clonaslee to do well, litter and cigarette butts must be placed in litter bins. It's our village, have pride in it. Sincere thanks to all who sweep and keep their fronts clean.

ENROLMENT DAY

Scoil Bhríde, Clonaslee enrolment day for Junior Infants is on Friday May 17 at 1:15pm. Parents

and child to be enrolled are welcome to the school on that day.

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FAMILY BINGO

Family bingo on Sunday May 12 from 2:30 -4 pm in the Parochial hall. Prizes galore. Cost €2. All welcome.

FOUND

A silver cross was found 2 weeks ago in the church grounds. Please contact Fr O'Reilly.

PORTLAOISE MINI-MINI-MARATHON

Calling all walkers, runners and joggers to take part in the Portlaoise Mini-Mini-Marathon on May 17 2013 in aid of the RISE Foundation. Frances Black will be there to get proceedings underway. The RISE Foundation is dedicated to providing recovery in a safe environment for families with loved ones in addiction. Starting at Centerpoint Car Park at 6.30pm the route will be out the ring road, around by Fairgreen and back in the Mountmellick Road. All welcome, make it a family occasion; bring the children in the buggy. A 5.5km route, if you are taking part in the Flora Mini-Marathon in June this is an excellent opportunity to test your fitness level and help a great cause in the process. Participants are asked to make a donation of € to the RISE Foundation and a monster raffle will be held at the end of the walk. If you are available to help on the day of the walk, are part of a band who would like to play enroute to add to the atmosphere or wish to sponsor a prize please phone Brenda on 085 8551107.

CLONASLEE PARISH LOTTO

Jackpot not won. Winning no: 2-23-8. €30 winners: Tom Feery, Killeigh; Larry Costello, Clonaslee; Mary A Hogan, Brittas; Sean Hyland, Clonaslee; Liam Dunne, Broughla; Kathleen and Helen Rigney. Promoter's prize: Hetty Dunne, Larry Costello, Maura O'Gorman. Next week's Jackpot: €1,850.

CLONASLEE ST MANMANS GAA LOTTO

Jackpot not won. Winning no: 9-8-13-11. €40 winners: Mary and Paddy Deane, Rosney Family, Castlecuffe, Jody and Monica Conway, Sheeran Family, Marie Conroy. Promoter's prize: Tom McRedmond. Next week's Jackpot: €3,250.