

# ST MANMANS NEWSLETTER

## Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2023

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Elizabeth Heaney, Hillside

#### WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 6 pm Sunday 10 am

#### WEEKDAY MASSES

Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri 10 am

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](mailto:accordtull@eircom.net). Marriage & relationship counselling service Mon-Fri 9:30am-1:30 pm.

**EUCHARIST: 21<sup>st</sup>/22<sup>nd</sup> January: Team B**

#### ANNIVERSARIES

**Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> January – 6 pm**

Sister Julia Egan & Brother Philbert Egan,

Rathcoffey

Nora Conroy, Clarahill

Joe Conroy, Brocca

Albert Yates, Castletown & deceased members of the Conroy & Yates Families.

Ned Smith, Chapel Street & his parents Thomas & Mary Smith

John & Ellen Ryan, Camross

**Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> January – 6 pm**

**Months Mind**, Mary Rosney, Clonlyon

Sean Fitzpatrick, Graigueafulla, his son Noel

Fitzpatrick, Clara & his parents Ellen & Patrick Fitzpatrick, Killurine.

Mary Multany, Castlecuffe

#### Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> January – 10 am

Larry Costello, Graigueafulla

Pray for Billy (William) Corcoran, Dublin

formerly of Coolagh who died during the week.

#### COLLECTION

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

#### OSKARS 'THE DERRY GIRLS'

Clonaslee St Manman's 'The Derry Girls' group are hosting a cake sale on Sat 14<sup>th</sup> after 6 pm mass in Scoil Bhride.

#### OSKARS 'WAKING NED'

Clonaslee St Manman's "Waking Ned" group are hosting a fundraiser on Sun Jan 15<sup>th</sup>. High Nelly Cycle at 1 pm and Tractor Run at 3 pm. Registration from 12 pm in The Square, Clonaslee. €20 per entry. Raffle and music on the day in Hickeys Pub. For more information contact Tom on 087-947-6262.

#### 'SPORTS DEBATE'

Clonaslee St Manman's GAA Club "Sports Debate". Come and meet the sports stars Aisling Donoher, Tommy Walsh, Dan Shanahan, Emily Corbet, Brian Gavin, Dessie Dolan in the Community Centre on Sat Jan 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:30 pm. Presented by host Stephen Miller. Adults €20, Juveniles €10. Monster raffle on the night. For tickets contact Pat 087-254-5187.

#### LAOIS MACRA

Laois Macra are an organisation for young people of rural Ireland from the age of 17 to 35. Macra has many different activities such as travel, sports, agriculture, performing art, public speaking to name a few. Laois Macra are hosting a new member information night in Portlaoise Macra Hall from 7:30 to 9:30 pm on Thurs Jan 26<sup>th</sup>

#### SINGING CLASS

Music and Traditional singing classes in the Community Centre every Thursday evening starting at 5:15 pm. Suitable for all ages,

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beginners welcome. Contact John on 085-285-1772 or Clonaslee Comhaltas Facebook page.

welcome. Next meeting is the AGM on Feb 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:45 pm. Vote of sympathy to all who lost loved ones.

#### A MESSAGE FROM AN GARDA SIOCHANA

An Garda Siochana wish to warn people of a doorstep fraud and theft offence which has become prevalent over the last number of weeks. Elderly People are

#### CASTLECUFFE NS ADMISSIONS

Castlecuffe National School will begin accepting applications for September 2023 admission on Jan 5<sup>th</sup>. The application form for admission can be downloaded from [www.castlecuffens.com](http://www.castlecuffens.com) or alternatively parents may email the school at [info@castlecuffens.com](mailto:info@castlecuffens.com) giving their name and address and we will send one out in the post. The school can also be contacted by phone on (057) 864-8238 between 9 am and 11 am on weekdays. Our admissions policy and admissions notice for this year are available for viewing on our website.

#### SCOIL BHRÍDE ENROLMENT 23' – 24'

Scoil Bhríde, Cluain na Slí will commence accepting applications for Admission to its new Junior Infant Class 2023-2024 from 5/1/23. The closing date for accepting applications falls on 5/2/23. A copy of the school's Admission Policy and Application for Admission form for the 2023-2024 school year is available as follows:

\*To download at [www.clonasleens.ie](http://www.clonasleens.ie) \*On request: by emailing: [clonasleens@gmail.com](mailto:clonasleens@gmail.com)

\*On the phone: 057-864-8334 between 2-4pm

\*On writing to: The|Principal, Scoil Bhríde, Chapel St., Clonaslee, Co Laois R32WE51

#### CCDA REPORT

The following was discussed at the recent CCDA meeting: Work on the Heritage Centre has not started. Applying for community grant, will investigate what can be looked for. Refundable deposit on all items being borrowed from the Centre to commence. Check into battery and light bulb recycling. Congratulations on receiving a Rural & Community Development grant. Well done on the Christmas lights this year, they looked lovely. New cables are needed for next year. Flood relief day was very successful. Road ramps needed on all roads entering village - possibly add road signage. Credit Union is open in the Community Centre kitchen on Fridays from 4-6 pm, new members

being targeted at their homes by Criminals who are impersonating Gardaí. The offenders are fraudulently pretending to be plain clothes Gardaí who are checking for dud money. They have duped people all around the country and stolen their cash on the pretence of checking to see if it is genuine money. They are producing false identification to assist the process.

**Advice:** An Garda Siochana will never ask people about their finances on the doorstep of their homes and will never ask to check money. Always ask for Identification and do not be afraid to question it. If in doubt politely tell the caller that you want to verify their true identity. If necessary contact your local Garda Station who will be able to establish quickly if the caller is a member of An Garda Siochana. Report any such activity to your local Garda Station even if you have not been the victim of a theft. That report could save a neighbour or someone else close by. Please check on elderly neighbours, family and friends and advise and reassure them.

#### 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.* **New 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

#### CLONASLEE PARISH LOTTO

Jackpot not won. Winning no: 17-23-20.

€30 winners: Ann Gleeson, c/o Hogan's Shop; Fallon girls, Main Street; Joe Slevin, Brittas; Brandy & Dorky, c/o Paddy Hogan Scaroon; Richie O'Keeffe, Brittas; Colm Downey, c/o Cosy Bar. Promoters prize: Nuala Smith, Ann Rigney, Fallons. Next week's

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Jackpot: €800. Lotto gift vouchers can be purchased from Dolores Murray on 087-414-8093 or Betty Finnerty, Chapel Street.

**CLONASLEE/ST MANMAN'S GAA LOTTO**

Jackpot not won. Winning no: 13-14-21-26.

€40 winners: Fintan, Niamh Daly, Harry Mangan.

Promoter's prize: Frank Fitzpatrick. Next week's

Jackpot: €14,950 in Fallons Bar.