

ST MANMANS NEWSLETTER

Pentecost Sunday

Sunday 15th May 2016

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WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 8 pm Sunday 10 am

WEEKDAY MASSES

Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri 9 am

CONFESSIONS

Every 1st Friday before 7:30 pm Mass.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptisms available on Saturdays. To arrange a date contact 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 on 057-934-1831 or www.accord.ie

ALTAR SERVERS

Sat 21st May: Team A: Ciara Hyland, Christopher Dunne, Gráinne Scully, Ellen Doyle
Sun 22nd May: Team A: Aoibhe Mulhall, Paul Mulhall, Emma Dunne

ANNIVERSARIES

Saturday 14th May – 8 pm

Dick & Sheila Underwood, Old Rectory & Cappanagraigue

Margaret McCann, Ashbrook
Farrell Family, Cush

Sunday 15th May – 10 am

John Conway, Coolagh
Nora Coady, Kilcormac

Monday 16th May – 9am

Bridget & William Dunne, their sons Joe & Paddy, Capparogan
Michael & Mary Clear, their daughter Lily, Cush

Saturday 21st May – 8 pm

Patrick Carroll, Ballykaneen

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Cemetery Masses all at 8 pm:
June 3rd – Clonaslee; June 24th – Corrigreen;
July 1st – Kilmanman.

ALTAR SERVER PARTY

Invitations have been sent to the altar servers team for 2015 for the annual party. It is on Wed May 18th from 5:30 – 7 pm in the Parochial Hall. Please text 087-414-8093 to confirm if you are going or not as food will be served and numbers are needed

FIRST COMMUNION

The children from Castlecuffe NS and Scoil Bhride will be making their 1st Communion on Sat May 21st at 12 noon.

TRÓCAIRE

Please bring your Trócaire donations to mass by Sun 21st May as we need to forward monies.

COLLECTION

The Retired Priests Fund collection is on 21st/22nd May. Please use your monthly envelope.

CLONASLEE SHOW

An outdoor schedule meeting for the 2016 Show is on Wed May 18th at 9 pm in the Community Centre. All members please attend.

CLONASLEE 1916-2016

The unveiling of the 1916 Commemorative Stone and raising of the flag is on Tues May 24th at 2 pm at the Community Centre. Children from all the schools have been invited to the event. We encourage the community to join in our efforts to participate in the 1916 Rising Celebrations.

CLOTHES COLLECTION

A clothes collection fundraiser event for Castlecuffe NS and National Council of the Blind is on May 25th. Please leave bagged items into the school no later than 10 am. Thank you for your support.

PARISH COUNCIL

Parish Council meeting on Thurs May 26th at 8 pm in the Fr Shortall Room.

ST STEPHEN'S DAY HOSPICE WALK

Presentation of donations to Laois Hospice, as a follow up of our walk on St Stephen's Day, will be made to Seamus O'Donoghue, Chairman of Laois Hospice on Sunday May 29th at 11 am in the Heritage Centre, Clonaslee. Everyone involved in any way on the day and all our parishioners are invited to attend the presentation and photo shoot! Seamus will give a very brief outline on how our money is spent.

CLONASLEE BASKETBALL CLUB

The AGM will take place on Wed June 1st at 8 pm in the Community Centre. We would encourage all club members, volunteers, parents, etc to attend and consider how they may be able to help the future development of the Club. Looking forward to seeing you there.

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KNOCK

Pilgrimage to Knock on Sun June 5th. There are only seven seats left. If you are interested in going please get your name in to 087-212-2766 avoid disappointment. Cost is €15 return. Bus leaving Clonaslee 8:30 am and will leave Knock at 5 pm sharp.

CEMETERY CLEAN UP

Clonaslee Cemetery Committee ask people cleaning their graves that only organic waste can be left in the recycling area, any other matter has to be taken home. This applies to grave diggers and gravestone business. We thank you for your co-operation in keeping the cemetery clean and tidy. There will be a group clean-up on Thursday, we can use help from the community.

BINGO

Social Services Bingo will be in the Community Centre kitchen on Wednesdays from 2 – 4 pm. All are welcome to come along.

TIDY TOWNS

Work evenings on Tuesday and Thursday from 6-7 pm starting from the Heritage Centre. Judging begins June 1st so please make an effort to help keep our village clean and tidy. A lot of work needs to be done, we would appreciate more help. All fly posting must go outside 60km markers. Thank you for your cooperation.

SOCIAL SERVICES

The AGM was on May 2nd. The Secretary gave a detailed report on 2015. It was a good year with bingo, annual outing and the Christmas party. We would like to see more come to our bingo on Wednesdays in the Community Centre. Betty Callaghan resigned with over 20 years as assistant treasurer. She was thanked for all she had done. Fr O'Reilly and Annette were thanked for publishing the reports. Election of officers as follows: John Callaghan, Chairman; Maura O'Gorman, Secretary; Mary Rose Corbet, Treasurer.

CONGRATS

Clonaslee Tidy Towns were runner up in the recent Laois Community Forum Awards. They received a certificate and money. Congrats to Maura Reddin, Mountmellick on winning the Unsung Hero award.

THANK YOU

The Laois Branch of the Irish Kidney Association thank the collectors, supporters, organiser and Dinny and Betty. Total amount raised was €361.

CCDA REPORT

At the monthly meeting the following items were discussed: Heritage Centre upkeep, unveiling of commemorative stone, road ramp at Clodiagh Way, lighting around centre and school, community awards night in Killenard, congrats to Caitriona, CES supervisor on birth of her child, congratulations given to 1st years Schools All Ireland Basketball team, CCDA social night will be later in the year, New cemetery to be cleaned up on Thurs and credit given to Kilmanman cemetery committee for their hard work. Sympathies to all who have lost loved ones recently. Next meeting is Oct 10th

THE LAOIS HERITAGE SOCIETY

For The Laois Heritage Society's May presentation, Tom Nelligan, Historian of the Standing Stone.ie, discusses 'The Use of 3D Reconstruction for Heritage and Archaeological Sites with a focus on Laois'. It is a major addition to our armour for preserving the memory of our past and mitigate the risk of possible damage or loss of precious cultural assets. This most interesting and unusual presentation on a new preservation technology, takes place in the Heritage Hotel, Portlaoise on Thurs May 19th at 8pm. All are welcome.

CLONASLEE PARISH LOTTO

Jackpot won, congrats to John O'Brien, Reary on winning €950. Winning no: 19-6-24.

€30 winners: John Troy, Brittas; Nuala Smith, Bellair; Jimmy Kelly, Glenkeen; Jimmy Delaney, Larrigan; Damien McEvoy, Hillside; Camillus Kelly, c/o Mary Hickey. Promoter's prize: Maura O'Gorman, Mary O'Keeffe, Ann Rigney.

Next week's Jackpot: €500.

CLONASLEE ST MANMAN'S GAA LOTTO

Jackpot not won. Winning no: 2-4-7-12.

€40 winners: John Barrett, Tullamore Road, Eoghan O'Donovan, Pat Kearns, Tiggy c/o Farmer, Norah Flynn. Promoter's prize: Fallons. Next week's Jackpot: €12,000.