

ST MANMANS NEWSLETTER

Fourth Sunday of Lent

Sunday 18th March 2012

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WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 8 pm Sunday 10 am

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday 9 am

Thursday 7:30 pm

ALTAR SERVERS

Sat March 24th - Team B: Cecelia Flynn, Jack Owens, Lorcan Callaghan, Kathleen Blake, Sarah Jane Purcell. Sun March 25th - Team B: Grace Callaghan, Shay Foynes, Emma Lawlor, Mary Hyland, Evelyn Horan, Emma Conroy, Roisin Scully.

ANNIVERSARIES

Saturday 17th March

8 pm John & Maureen Brophy, Boyle
8 pm Catherine O'Reilly, Clonaslee
8 pm Deceased members of the Casey Family,
Broughla

Sunday 18th March

10 am Martin & Margaret Delaney, Scaroon
10 am Anne Conroy, Brittas

Saturday 24th March

8 pm Bridie Hogan, Scaroon
8 pm Margaret, James & Andy Dunne, Corbally
8 pm Josephine McManus & her daughter Orla
McManus, Coolagh

Sunday 25th March

10 am Patrick & Mary Delaney, their daughter
Kathleen & great grandchild, Patrick
McDonald, Coolagh
10 am Martin O'Dwyer, Clodiagh Way &
Tipperary

COMMUNITY ALERT

IMPORTANT meeting on Mon March 19 at 8:30 pm in the Community Centre. The new sergeant from Mountmellick, Ingrid Moore and Garda Michael Greaney will be attending. If anyone has any problems or questions they wish to discuss please come to this meeting, this is your chance to voice your opinion to the gardi. We hope to have a

good turnout for the meeting. It's in everyone's interest to protect our community.

TIDY TOWNS

A meeting will now take place on Monday March 26th at 8:30 pm in the Community Centre. This is to plan for this year's projects. Lunch time litter is bad, we appeal to all please use litter bins.

PARISH COUNCIL

A Parish Council meeting will be held on Wed March 21st at 8 pm.

INTERNATIONAL EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS

Tickets for the concluding celebration of the IEC in Croke Park on June 17th are being allocated to each parish. Clonaslee have 15 tickets. This is a long day and there is a €10 contribution that goes towards the costs of the celebration. If you wish to participate, please give your name on the list in the Fr Shortall Room after mass this weekend.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT

Coping with bereavement can be a lonely experience. If you would like some support bereavement services are available by ringing Eileen on 087-638-0994. This is a free and confidential service.

CLONASLEE BASKETBALL CLUB

Huge congratulations to our U12 and U16 girls basketball teams who came top of the table in their respective leagues this season. They made history by becoming the first teams from our club to do so. The U16 team now progress to represent the Midlands in the All-Ireland Club Championships in Cork on April 13 -15. All support would be welcome. This is an amazing achievement for a club of our size. We would greatly appreciate any sponsorship to help fund the weekend for our players. Please contact Grace 087-973-0283 or Gráinne 085-741-8546 for further information.

EASTER RAFFLE

Clonaslee College Parents Council is holding an Easter Raffle. Raffle cards have been distributed to all families with students attending the school. The draw will take place on Saturday April 7 2012. Please have donations of non-perishable groceries and raffle cards returned to the school before Wednesday March 28.

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SLIEVE BLOOM WALK

A Slieve Bloom Walk in aid of the Irish Heart Foundation on April 9th at 11 am starting from the Clonaslee Community Centre. Light refreshments will be served on return. About 10,000 people die from cardiovascular disease in Ireland each year. That is 27 people dying every day. Please take a card and join in the walk. Contact John on 087-613-2044.

CLONASLEE LIBRARY

The Clonaslee Community Development Association is reopening the library as a community library. Commencing from Tues 20th March, the library will be open each Tues and Thurs 2 pm – 4 pm. Annual membership fee is €10, with special rate for families. This is a wonderful facility for Clonaslee and we need the support of the whole community, especially the schoolchildren, in making it a success. We hope to organise various events such as readathon, and links to local natural amenities and local history. We encourage everyone to come along and join us in the coming weeks. Contact 864-8519.

THANKS

A sincere thanks from the Volunteer Missionary Movement (VMM) for your generous donation of €47 in response to our appeal last weekend.

WORLD MISSIONS IRELAND

Thank you for your support on Mission Sunday, in 2011 the Mission Sunday collection in Kildare & Leighlin amounted to €71,505. Thanks for your generosity in difficult financial times.

CLONASLEE PARENT TODDLER GROUP

Parent toddler group is on Tuesdays from 9:30 am – 11:30 am in the Clonaslee Community Centre. Cost is €3 per family. It is for children age 0 – 4 yrs. No need to book a place. For further information contact Maureen on 087-691-9056.

TIR NA N'OG PLAYGROUP

Tir na n'Og Playgroup is participating in the ECCE scheme and is taking names for September 2012. To enrol your child please contact Mary on 057-864-8988 or 086-361-8905 or you can call in to the playgroup at The Old Boys' National School, Clonaslee

ROSENALLIS ATHLETIC CLUB

Rosenallis Athletic Club commence training on Thursday March 22 2012 at 7pm, in Johnsgrove Rosenallis. Also they are having a cake sale on Saturday March 31 2012 from 7:30pm in the Rosenallis Community Centre. Your support would be appreciated... Any information, please contact. 0879588182.

CLONASLEE SHOW

The AGM of the Clonaslee Show is on Wed March 28 at 8 pm in the Community Centre. All members please make a special effort to attend.

CLONASLEE CCE

It's not too late to sign up! Music and singing classes on Friday in Scoil Bhríde, Clonaslee. Singing is from 3:30pm-4:30 pm and music from 4:30 pm -5:30 pm. Cost is €2.50 per class. For further details contact John Sullivan, Scoil Bhríde on 057-864-8334 after 2 pm or John Conway on 085-285-1772.

Laos County Council, Environment Section

Dog fouling awareness campaign is March 26th - 30th. The litter warden/environmental staff will be visiting various towns as follows: Mon 26th: Launch of campaign in Mountmellick Square 11am- 1pm. Tues 27th Portlaoise, Wed 28th Portarlinton, Thurs 29th Mountrath, Fri 30th Abbeyleix/Durrow. Signs will be erected in every village and town. Offenders risk a €150 fine or prosecution. Maximum fine €3,000.

CLONASLEE PARISH LOTTO

Jackpot not won. Winning no: 23-16-6.

€30 winners: Conor McCann, Ross; Matt Barrett & Molly Bates; Patricia Barrett, Bellair; Noel & Maureen Cusack, Brittas; Bernadette Hogan, Brittas; Kit Murphy, Chapel St.

Promoter's prize: P.O., L Costello, N Dunne.

Next week's Jackpot: €1,250.

CLONASLEE ST MANMAN'S GAA LOTTO

Jackpot not won. Winning no: 10-18-25-15.

€40 winners: John Morrin, Caitriona McCann, Noel Carroll, Conor Hogan, Norah Flynn.

Promoter's prize: Sean Conroy.

Next week's Jackpot: €9,050.