ST MANMANS NEWSLETTER The Presentation of the Lord Sunday 2nd February 2014

Fr. Thomas O'Reilly, P.P.

Parish Website:www.clonasleeparish.com

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 8 pm Sunday 10 am

WEEKDAY MASSES

Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs 9 am

Fri - 1st Friday 7:30 pm

Confessions before Mass

ALTAR SERVERS

Sat Feb 8th – Team C: Jake Smith, Roisin Scully, Darragh Scully.

Sun Feb 9th – Team C: Rachel O'Meara. Ciaran Fitzgerald, Eoin Conroy.

ANNIVERSARIES

Saturday 1st February

8 pm **Months Mind** Ralph Loomis, Seattle, Washington

8 pm Lorraine Hogan, The Square

Sunday 2nd February

10 am Tim Tynan, Garryheather

Saturday 8th February

8 pm Patrick & Mary Fitzpatrick, Brittas Ave 8 pm Kathleen & James Donnelly Slieve Bloom Park, their son Sheamus Donnolly & daughter Margaret Donnolly, Ballinalug

8 pm Margaret Dunne & the Dunne Family, Cloonagh

8 pm Foynes Family, Ballinakill

Sunday 9th February

10 am Bernard O'Toole, The Green 10 am Bracken & Daly Families, Coolagh

VISITATION OF THE SICK

The sick and invalids of the parish will be visited Thurs 6th Feb and Fri 7th Feb in the morning.

ADORATION

Adoration of Blessed Sacrament takes place Friday 7th Feb from 10am – 7 pm in the Fr Shortall Room.

ST VINCENT de PAUL

The monthly SVP meeting is on Friday 7th Feb at 8 pm after mass in the Fr Shortall Room.

LADIES PARTY NIGHT

The annual Clonaslee Ladies party night is on Fri April 4 at 8 pm. Mark your calendars ladies!!

Phone: 057-864-8030

CASTLECUFFE NS ENROLMENT

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Please contact Castlecuffe National School on 057-864-8238 if you wish to enrol your child for the school term starting in September 2014. Enrolment forms and information will be given to parents.

COUCH TO 5K

The Clonaslee "Couch to 5K" running club was a great success last year. New runners are welcome as we start the "Couch to 5K" program again with a view to completing the Pieta House 5K Fun Run in Clonaslee on 16th March. If you are interested in starting with the group, for fitness or for fun, contact Margaret Fitzgerald on 086-8668820. Ladies, Gents and kids groups catered for.

BINGO

A bus leaves Clonaslee PO every Friday night at 7:45pm for Bingo in Tullamore. You will be brought to your door on return. Cost €5 return.

PIETA HOUSE 5K FUN RUN

The Clonaslee "Couch to 5K" running club, in association with Rosenallis A.C. and Kilcavan A.C. will be holding a 5K Fun Run in aid of *Pieta House Suicide and Self Harm Crisis Centre* on Sun March 16th. Entry fee is €10 for Adults, €5 for under 16's and €20 per Family. Registration will take place at 10:45 am on the morning and the event will start at 11:30 am. This is a "Run, Walk or Crawl" event catering for all age groups and abilities. Why not join the Clonaslee "Couch to 5K" running club to get ready for this event in aid of a very worthy cause?

MUSIC CLASSES

Continuing Thursdays from 4:15pm in the Community Centre. Beginners welcome with various instruments being taught. For more information contact John Conway on 085-285-1772. Any outstanding membership to be paid as soon as possible please. Cost is family €20, senior €12, junior €6. Membership payable to Jimmy Casey,

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Treasurer or Bridget Conway Secretary.

MUSIC AND SINGING SESSION
On Friday Feb 7th at 8:30pm in the Parochial Hall. All musicians and singers welcome.

ROUNDERS

Rounders training begins on Tues Feb 4th from 8-9pm in Astro pitch at Community Centre. Over 16 men and women. Closing date for registration and affiliation is Feb 18th. All new members very welcome. Mixed team introduced this year so over 16 men very welcome.

CLOTHES DRIVE

Scoil Bhride's parents association are holding a clothes drive on Fri Feb 14th. Donate old clothes, bed linen or stuffed toys. Old mobile phones are also being collected. It's a good way for you to de-clutter and a great way for the parents association to raise funds. Bags can be dropped in to the school gym any day during school hours and to accommodate those who can't make it between those hours the school will also be open on Thurs Feb 13th from 7-8pm. We would also like to take this opportunity to thank all those who supported our recent Church gate collection in which we received a total of €575.

LAOIS WALKS FESTIVAL

Laois Walks Festival AGM will be held on Thurs Feb 6th in the Manor Hotel Abbeyleix at 7.30pm. Anyone with an interest in walking and promoting walking in their own locality is invited to attend.

BINGO

A bus leaves Clonaslee PO every Sunday night for bingo in Mountmellick at 7:30 pm. Cost is €5 return. Bus can also collect you from your door & return. Call 087-743-7444.

ELECTRICAL RECYCLING DAY

Free electrical recycling day will be in the Clonaslee Community Centre car park on Thurs Feb 6th from 9am – 12 pm. Any household item with a plug or a battery will be accepted. Great chance to do a clear out.

SOCIAL DANCE

The weekly social dance lesson commence on Tuesday Feb 4th from 8.00 to 9.30 pm in the

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Community Centre. No partner is needed, just come and learn how to dance.

WORKSHOP ON MUSIC FOR WEDDINGS

Kildare and Leighlin Faith Development Services are running a workshop for people who lead music at weddings either as an instrumentalist or singer. Venue: Portlaoise Parish Centre on Tues Feb 11th from 8-10 p.m. Areas to be explored will be when and where music can be used during the wedding liturgy and suggestions for what music might be used. Cost: €10, including tea/coffee & take home music pack. Facilitators: Fr. Liam Lawton and Julie Kavanagh. Bookings: email: fds@kandle.ie or 059-916-4084 by Thursday, Feb 6th. Please leave name and contact number. This workshop requires a minimum of 20 participants to proceed. Booking essential.

WORK4YOU

'Work4You' set up by Acquired Brain Injury Ireland provides a free vocational assessment service for individuals who have an acquired brain injury and would like assistance and guidance in returning to work, training or education. It is free to anyone with an acquired brain injury and in receipt of a payment from the Dept. of Social Protection. If you are interested in the service or would like more information, Work4You are holding a Pop-Up Information Stand in Portarlington Library on Wed Feb 5th between 1-3pm. All are welcome. For further information please call 044 933 8773

CLONASLEE PARISH LOTTO

Jackpot not won. Winning no: 21-17-1. €30 winners: Brian Multany, Coolagh; Julie Bates, Clonaslee; John Joe Carroll, Shracullen; Pat Harding, c/o Laois Trip; Helen Bates, Clonaslee; Larry Costello, Clonaslee. Promoter's prize: S Fitzpatrick, Kathleen Blake, Ann Rigney. Next week's Jackpot: €1,700.

CLONASLEE ST MANMANS GAA LOTTO

Jackpot not won Winning no: 10-12-21-28. €40 winners: John Brereton, Brenday Blake, Rosney Family, Darren Hogan, Mary Whyte. Promoter's prize: Hogans. Next week's Jackpot: €2,950.