

ST MANMANS NEWSLETTER

The Presentation of the Lord

Sunday 2nd February 2025

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WEEKEND MASSES 8th/9th Feb

Saturday 6 pm

Sunday 10 am

WEEKDAY MASSES 3rd-7th Feb

Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri 9 am

View a video broadcast of masses in Clonaslee daily at 9 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. Marriage & relationship counselling service Mon-Fri 9:30am-1:30 pm.

EUCHARIST: 8th/9th Feb: Team A

ANNIVERSARIES

Sunday 2nd February – 10 am

Months Mind, Monica O'Rourke,
Bonastick

Mary Anne & Tom Kearney & their
daughter Kathleen, Shracullen

Saturday 8th February – 6 pm

Brendan Hanhauser, Shanahoe & his Grandad
Bernard Hill, River View

Tim & Margaret Tynan, Garryheather & deceased
members of the Hayes & Tynan Families

Pray for Jimmy Carroll, Hillside and Paddy Kennedy, Shraduff & Clonsilla, Dublin who both died during the week.

FEAST OF ST BLAISE

The Feast of St Blaise is on Mon 3rd Feb. Blessing of the Throats will be after mass on Sat 1st Feb, Sun 2nd Feb and Mon 3rd Feb.

VISITATION OF THE SICK

The sick and invalids of the parish will be visited on Thurs/Fri 6th/7th Feb at the usual times.

ADORATION

Adoration is in the Fr Shortall Room on Friday 6th Feb from 9:30 am – 1 pm.

1st COMMUNION PROGRAMME

1st Communion programme continues next Sunday 9th February during 10 am mass.

COLLECTION

The Diocesan Levy collection is next weekend 8th/9th Feb.

COFFEE MORNING

Coffee mornings will start on Wednesday February 19th in the Heritage Centre from 11 am to 12:30 pm. Everyone is welcome to come along for a chat and a cuppa for an hour. Feel free to bring cards if anyone is interested in having a game of cards. There is a €2 charge per person to cover light and heating. For more information contact 087-212-2766.

READERS LIST – new rota

The new rota is on the Sacred Heart Altar. Readers please pick it up for you information.

ST PATRICK'S DAY PARADE LAUNCH

The official launch of the St Patrick's Day Parade is on Friday February 7th at 7:30 pm in the Community Centre. All welcome to attend.

THANK YOU

The Parents Association of Castlecuffe National School wish to extend a heartfelt thanks to all that supported our most recent Church Gate collection. A total of €538.69 was raised, your support and generosity is greatly appreciated.

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CLONASLEE TIDY TOWNS

Tidy Towns had a good meeting last Wednesday night discussing the successes we had in 2024 in

local and national competitions. Plans for 2025 – Clean Up Laois Week will take place in April 2025, work evenings will commence in April, the AGM will be held in March, vote of sympathy to all who lost loved ones in 2024 especially Liz Kennedy who was a longstanding volunteer and dedicated member of Tidy Towns for many years and who is sadly missed. Thanks to CE participants and their supervisor, local businesses and residents and other organisations such as St Patrick's Day Committee for their support, Laois County Council and local councillors for all their help.

COMHALTAS CLONASLEE

Music classes continue every Monday in the Community Centre from 4:30 pm. New members welcome. For more information call 083-441-0793.

CONCERT

Dana's Cross & Cloak Concert in aid of the All Ireland Sacred Heart Crusade and featuring local artists on Sunday 2nd February at 7:30 pm with doors opening at 6:30 pm in The Manor Hotel, Abbeyleix R32 VE24. Tickets €25 by booking on eventbrite.ie For more information contact Antoinette on 086-080-3047.

TFI LOCAL LINK BUS

This bus travels to Portlaoise every Tuesday and Friday and to Tullamore every Thursday leaving from the village at 9 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.* **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.

MOUNTMELICK LIBRARY

Please note Mountmellick Library will not open till 11 am on Fri Feb 14th.

The Gallery will host for the month of February, "Dance Again", an exhibition by John Drumm. *C-Pens* which make it easier to read and learn by

reading text out loud are now available to borrow.

The Home Energy Saving Kit contains six practical tools to help you save energy at home and can help identify common problems. Contact us to be added to the waiting list.. *Baby Book Club* returns on Thurs Jan 30th at 10:30 am. *Junior Book Clubs* for all ages, 4-6 years meet the second Tuesday of the month at 3:30 pm, 7-9 years meet on first Tuesday of the month at 3:30 pm, 10-12 years on first Tuesday of the month at 4 pm. *Adult book club* meet on the last

Friday of the month at 11 am. Join us for some *shared reading sessions* where a staff member will read a story or poem. We then talk together about what we think and feel about it. *Lego Free Play* on Sat mornings from 10:30 am to 12:30 pm. *Sensory Room* available, this service is for the use of children and adults with additional needs with their parent/carer present. *Sensory Toy Resource Collection*: This service is for parents of children with additional needs who live in County Laois. To register for the service, you must have a referral letter from O.T., G.M.P., physio or other professional. If interested in any of the above and you wish to register call 057-868-9382 or email mountmellicklibrary@laoiscoco.ie.

COMMUNITY & PARISH LOTTO

Jackpot won, congratulations to Evie & Adam Brophil, c/o Fallons who won €800. Winning no: 1-21-12. €30 winner: Hetty Dunne, Chapel Street; Brendan Costello, 9 Hillview; Aidan Hogan, Clonaslee; Helan Costello, c/o Peter Costello; Nuala & Susie, Bellair; Marie McCabe c/o Hogans. Promoter's prize: Colm Downey, Leona Murray, Nuala Smith. Next week's Jackpot: €500. Lotto gift vouchers can be purchased from Dolores Murray on 087-414-8093

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Jackpot not won. Winning no: 1-3-25-28.

€30 winners: Francis McRedmond, Mary Young

Marie Callaghan, Gemma & Maisie, Eugene

Conroy. Promoter's prize: F Fitzpatrick.

Next week's Jackpot: €12,700 in Hickeys Bar.