

ST MANMANS NEWSLETTER

Palm Sunday

Sunday 20th March 2016

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Parish Website: www.clonasleeparish.com

Diocesan Website: www.kandle.ie

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 8 pm Sunday 10 am

WEEKDAY MASSES

Mon, Tues, Wed 9 am

Holy Thursday 8 pm

Good Friday - Stations of the Cross 3 pm

Celebration of the Lord's Passion 8 pm

Easter Vigil Mass – Lighting of Paschal Fire & Blessing of Easter Water 8 pm

Easter Sunday 10 am

Dawn Easter Mass in Festival Field, Rosenallis

on Easter Sunday Morning 6:30 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 26th March: Team A: Ciara Hyland, Christopher Dunne, Gráinne Scully, Ellen Doyle

Sun 27th March: Team A: Aoibhe Mulhall, Paul Mulhall, Emma Dunne

ANNIVERSARIES

Saturday 19th March – 8 pm

Months Mind, Nancy O'Neill, Hillside

Sunday 20th March – 10 am

Months Mind, Jim Delaney, Larrigan

Martin O'Dwyer, Clodiagh Way & Rathcabbín, Co Tipperary

Maureen Conway, Coolagh

Patrick & Mary Delaney, daughter Kathleen & great grandchild Patrick McDonald, Coolagh

Saturday 26th March – 8 pm

Peter Hyland, The Green

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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

COLLECTION

Easter collection next weekend. Please use your blue envelope for this purpose.

PENITENTIAL SERVICE

Penitential service on Tuesday 22nd March in Clonaslee at 8 pm and in Rosenallis at 7 pm.

Don't Forget! Chrism Mass 2016

You are warmly invited to join with Bishop Denis for the annual celebration of the Chrism Mass in the Cathedral, Carlow on Monday March 21st at 7:30 pm followed by a cuppa in Carlow College. Please come early to be sure of a seat. Parking available in Carlow College; entrance opposite Court House on the Old Dublin Road.

NOTE

If anyone wishes to volunteer for washing of feet on Holy Thursday night please leave your name in sacristy.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Good Friday 25th March we are having an outdoor Station of the Cross, weather permitting.

Procession commencing from the Church at 3 pm. Stations will take place in the Church for anyone who finds it difficult to walk.

TRÓCAIRE BOXES

Please return your Trócaire boxes on Holy Thursday and leave them in the baskets. If possible, exchange coins for notes, as this makes counting easier.

SLEEPING BEAUTY – A PANTO

Looking for something to do with the kids over the Easter holidays? Why not go see the Clodiagh Players Sleeping Beauty Panto. Performances nightly from Monday March 21st to Thursday March 24th at 8 pm in the Parochial Hall. Booking line open on 085-783-1104. Ring and book your seats, this is going to sell out quickly!

PLEASE BE AWARE

We want to bring to your attention that some homes in some parishes around the country are receiving Trócaire boxes delivered to the door with instructions that they will be collected after Lent is finished. This is not a genuine Trócaire or parish method of delivery or collection, so please report any such activity to the Gardai. Do not give your Trócaire Box to any callers who say they are with Trocaire.

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LADIES NIGHT

Mark your calendar for the annual Ladies Night coming on Friday April 15th. Buffet dinner and dancing to Age Factor. Cost is €25 which includes raffle. Tickets from Dolores Murray on 087-414-8093, Annette Doolan on 087-988-1046, Betty Finnerty, Nuala Smith or Kathleen Blake.

COMMUNITY AND VOLUNTARY

AWARDS 2016

Entry forms now available in the Heritage Centre. Closing date is April 15th at 5 pm. Categories are community, environment, social inclusion, arts, culture and heritage and the special category is the *Unsung Hero*.

CONGRATS

Congratulations to the Clodiagh Players on receiving third place overall in the Gorey Drama Festival. John Dunne came home with first place for best actor overall and Eddie Condon was nominated for best supporting actor. Well done for the first time out in the festival circuit! Clodiagh Players will be in Rathangan on Saturday April 2nd in Rathangan Drama Festival performing 'I Do Not Like Thee Dr Fell'

CCDA REPORT

The following items were discussed at the monthly CCDA meeting: Pollution in Clodiagh River, Heritage Centre outdoor lights, safety doors at centre, gym, laying curbing for one way roadway around centre, Social Services draw, Laois community awards, congrats to the Clodiagh Players. No dogs around the playground area, there is a lot of dog litter which is hazardous for our children. Please control your animals. The following are the new members of the CCDA: Dolores Murray, Maura O'Gorman, Mary Rose Corbet, Matt Barrett, John Troy, Pat Carroll, Geraldine Fitzpatrick, Eileen Digan, Joe Digan, Johnny Casey, John Callaghan, Chris Horan, Eugene Doolan, Annette Doolan, John Cusack, Declan Good, Mary Woulf, Tony Dunne, Tricia Bracken, Michael Dunne. Next meeting is Monday April 11th in the Community Centre.

NOTE

Parishioners do not leave valuables in your car when at mass or at the graveyard. There have been cars broken into during these specific times.

2016: THE LAOIS HERITAGE SOCIETY PRESENTS

On Thursday March 24th at 8pm in the Heritage Hotel, Portlaoise, Dr Regina Uí Collatáin, PhD, will speak about 'The Laois Links to 1916' – a very interesting, well-informed and topical theme for this centenary year. Regina is head of the Department of Irish, Celtic Studies and Follere in UCD and has contributed to many programmes on TV and Radio.

TABLE QUIZ

O'Moores Camogie Club are holding a table quiz on Good Friday Night March 25th at 9pm sharp in Rosenallis Community Centre. Table of 4 €20 all welcome to attend.

RAMBLING HOUSE SESSION

To celebrate Easter and the arrival of Summer time there will be a great session at An Sean Chistin, Ire, Ballyfin at 7.30pm on Easter Sunday with the usual mixture of music, dancing, songs, stories and poems. Looking forward to welcoming you all. Maureen 087-648-2038.

CÉILÍ

There will be a céilí on Easter Sunday in Community Centre Ballyfin from 4-7pm. Music by Glenside Céilí Band so a great evening's entertainment assured. All are welcome

ARTHRITIS IRELAND - LAOIS BRANCH

Due to popular public demand we have decided to run an additional 4 weeks of classes as follows: "Gentle Zumba" will continue in St Mary's Hall, Old Dublin Road, Portlaoise each Tuesday up to and including Tuesday April 5 from 6.15pm to 7.15pm. Cost: €5.00 per person per night. Contact details: Branch Phone; 089-252-5344 or Caroline 086-885-2503, email: arthritislaois@gmail.com or find us on facebook at Arthritis Ireland Laois Branch. Newcomers welcome!

CLONASLEE PARISH LOTTO

Jackpot not won. Winning no: 19-21-10.
€30 winners: Declan Good, Shraduff; Jane Gonoud, Brocca; Bourke Family, Capparogan; Pat Bourke, Capparogan; Joe Digan, Coolagh; Michael Rigney, Garryheather. Promoter's prize: S Fitzpatrick, Hogans Shop, Fallons.
Next week's Jackpot: €1,250.