

# ST MANMANS NEWSLETTER

*First Sunday of Lent*

*Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2015*

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Scoil Bhríde confirmation candidates will be

attending a retreat in Castletown on Mon 23<sup>rd</sup> Feb.

## WEEKEND MASSES

**Saturday 8 pm Sunday 10 am**

## WEEKDAY MASSES

**Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri 9 am**

## CONFESSIONS

Every 1<sup>st</sup> 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

## ANNIVERSARIES

### Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> February – 8 pm

Tom Higgins, Brockagh

### Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> February – 8 pm

**Months Mind**, Donal Maher, Clarahill

**Months Mind**, Angela O'Gorman, Lissane

**Months Mind**, Desmond Dain, London

Winnie & Tom Delaney, Brocca

John Bracken, Coolagh

### Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> March – 10 am

Noreen Foyne, Ballykaneen

Pray for Mary Donnelly, Sliabh Bloom Park who died during the week.

## COLLECTION

Easter station collection is next weekend, please use your monthly envelope for this purpose.

## RETREAT

## Special treat for parishioners and music lovers

On next Sunday week, March 1<sup>st</sup> the Tullamore Choir, who won the recent All Ireland Choral Festival in Belfast under the direction of Regina McCarthy, will perform during 10 am Mass. This is a real musical treat for everybody – so spread the word and come early to ensure your seat.

## THANKS

On behalf of Fr Clear and Sr Bridie Hogan sincere thanks for your constant generosity and support. €930 was collected. It goes to Sr Bridie's school for the disabled that opened last year and Fr Clear helps the poor in a slum parish near his nursing home.

## COMMUNITY ALERT

AGM on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> Feb at 8:30 pm in the Community Centre. Be extra vigilant as a lot of unwanted people around the area such as vans and cars. Please report anything suspicious you see to 057-867-4100.

## TIDY TOWNS

Meeting on Mon March 2<sup>nd</sup> to plan projects for 2015. A new three year plan needs to be done for entry in the National competition so a busy time for the secretary ahead. We welcome new ideas for the plans. We are getting very positive comments on Facebook but we also need more help. All ages welcome.

## DINNER DANCE

Clonaslee United 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner Dance is on Fri March 6<sup>th</sup>. Tickets cost €40 and available from Flynn's Post Office.

## BINGO

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Family bingo on Sun Feb 22<sup>nd</sup> at 2:30 pm in  
Parochial Hall. All welcome to join in the fun!

## **THANKS**

The Clodiagh Players thank all who helped in any way to make our panto 'Snow White' a great success. It takes many talents and efforts from a large number of people to put on a show. Thanks to all who came and supported our show. Keep an eye out for our next production in May.

## **MUSIC CLASSES**

Music classes resume on Feb 26<sup>th</sup>. Clonaslee Comhaltas now have a second music teacher with classes starting at 6 pm in the Community Centre. The instruments being taught are tin whistle, banjo, mandolin, concertina, fiddle and button accordion. The classes are beginner classes for children and adults; class fee is €6 weekly. For more information contact John Conway on 085-285-1772.

## **CLONASLEE COLLEGE PARENTS**

### **ASSOCIATION**

A meeting will be held in the college on Tues Feb 24<sup>th</sup> at 8 pm. It is important that parents of 6<sup>th</sup> year students attend as the 2015 debts will be discussed.

## **MUSIC AND SINGING SESSION**

Clonaslee Comhaltas next singing and music session will be held on Friday March 6<sup>th</sup> at 9pm in the Parochial hall, all welcome to attend.

## **SCOIL BHRIDE NEWS**

Pupils from Junior and Senior Infants enjoyed a great day at their Teddy Bears' Picnic held on Fri Feb 13<sup>th</sup>. Thank you to the local TY Students who gave an interesting presentation on Farm Safety to our 6<sup>th</sup> class this past week. We are delighted to

help Fr. O'Reilly with preparations for a very special mass which takes place in the local church at 10:00am on Sun March 1<sup>st</sup>. Fr. O'Reilly has arranged for the much acclaimed Sacred Heart School Choir from Tullamore to perform at this

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event. We will be helping with stage, sound and refreshments in our School Hall. We hope to see a full church gathered for what promises to be a memorable musical celebration of the mass. Pupils from SBC attended Morning Mass on Ash Wednesday Many thanks to Fr. O'Reilly for bringing ashes back over to the school to all the classes that could not attend mass.

## **HOLY CROSS**

Next visit is March 5<sup>th</sup> leaving Clonaslee at 5:45 pm Collects in Rosenallis and Mountmellick. Cost €15 return. If you require tea and sandwiches €5. Names to 087-212-2766.

## **KNIT/CROCHET & CHAT**

Come join us for a knit or crochet, a chat and enjoy a cuppa on Mondays in the Heritage Centre from 10:30 am – 12 noon. All welcome!

## **CEMETERY MASSES**

Clonaslee cemetery Friday June 5 at 8 pm;  
Corrigeen cemetery Friday June 26 at 8 pm;  
Kilmanman cemetery Friday July 3 at 8 pm.

## **CLONASLEE PARISH LOTTO**

Jackpot not won. Winning no: 1-8-9. €30 winners: Joe Conroy Snr, Brocca; Phil Carroll, Ballykaneen; J Davis, Gurteen, Rosenallis; Cecelia Flynn, Clonaslee; Aggie Hogan, Larrigan; Betty Mahon, c/o L Costello. Promoter's prize: Kathleen Blake, M.J. Dunne, Fallons. Next week's Jackpot: €800.

## **CLONASLEE ST MANMANS GAA LOTTO**

Jackpot not won. Winning no: 6-17-25-23. €40 winners: Pat Carroll, Ciss Sutherland, Tom Foynes, Seamas, Eamon, Jack, Jack Byrne. Promoter's prize: John Joe Carroll. Next week's Jackpot: €2,500.