ST MANMANS NEWSLETTER Fourth Sunday of Advent Sunday 23rd December 2018

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WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday	8 pm	Sunday	10 am
WEEKDAY	MASSES		
CONFESSI	ONS - Mon 2	24 th Dec	12 noon
Christmas Eve, Mon 24 th Dec			8 pm
Christmas I	Day – Blessir	ng of	
Children's Toys during mass			10 am
Thursday, Friday			9 am
CONFESSI	<u>ONS</u>		

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 premarriage course. Contact ACCORD for marriage preparation courses on 057-934-1831 or accordtull@eircom.net. Also on offer marriage & relationship counselling service Mon-Fri 9:30 am-1:30 pm.

<u>WEBCAM</u> – Live Mass feed on www.mcnmedia.tv under Clonaslee Parish **NOTE**

All groups, organisations, clubs please advise the parish office on 864-8030 two weeks in advance if you holding a church gate collection

ALTAR SERVERS

Sat 29th Dec, 8 pm: Team B: Sineád Hobhan Garry, Corrine Greene, Aaron Lawlor

Sun 30th Dec, 10 am: Team B: Darragh Mulhall, Paul Mulhall, Eimear Kelly, Martina Connolly Daly, Cadlagh McCann

ANNIVERSARIES

<u>Saturday 22nd December – 8 pm</u>

Evelyn Molloy, Main Street & Molloy Family, Galway & Fennell Family, Portlaoise

Paddy Hogan, Chapel Street

Sunday 23rd December - 10 am

Michael McRedmond, Brocca

Arthur Sealy, Mountmellick & Waterford Doyle Family, Killoughey Tommy Flynn, Coolagh Monday 24th December – 8 pm Derry Keating, Ashbrook Pat Crehan, Roscommon & Yong Family, Ashbrook Nancy Daly, Hillside Saturday 29th December – 8 pm McCormack Family, Killart House Elizabeth & Patrick Maher, Killart House Ann Conroy & Marie Mahy nee Conroy & deceased members of the Conroy Family, Ballykaneen Edward & Anna M Troy, Brittas & deceased members of Troy & Kennedy Families Sunday 30th December – 10 am John O'Toole, Castlecuffe John, June & James Dunne, Glenkeen Sister Teresa Egan, Coolnamoney & St Lucia **POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION – December** That people who are involved in the service and transmission of faith may find, in their dialogue with culture, a language suited to the conditions of the present time. **THANK YOU** Thank you to everyone who helped with preparing the church and taking part in the liturgy during this Season. MERRY CHRISTMAS Thank you to all parishioners for your support and commitment during 2018. Wishing you all at

home and abroad every blessing and grace at Christmas and in the New Year.

CHRISTMAS COLLECTION

This collection is on Christmas week. Please use your purple monthly envelope for this purpose.

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ST STEPHEN'S DAY HOSPICE WALK

We would greatly appreciate help on the day any time between 9:30 am and 5 pm, between 1-5 pm being a very busy period. Your continued support in donating Christmas fruit cakes goes down a real treat with the walkers. Many thanks. Long walk starts at 12 noon and the short walk, suitable for families, starts at 1 pm from the Community Centre. For any information Sheila Bourke 087-633-9540.

CLONASLEE CAROL SERVICE

Join us on Sun Dec 30th at 4 pm in the church for a feast of musical entertainment with light refreshments afterwards.

CAROL PRACTICE

Practice for the carol service will be today, Sun 23rd Dec at 2:30 pm in the church. Please bring your musical instruments. All welcome.

COLLECTION

Church gate collection in aid of the Christmas lights is next weekend 29th/30th Dec. Your support is much appreciated.

REQUESTS FOR CERTIFICATES

Under the new GDPR, all requests for Baptism, Confirmation and Marriage Certificates will require a form to be filled in by those requesting the certificate. Forms available from Fr. O'Reilly

ALMAS CHRISTMAS MASS BOUQUET'S

Almas Christmas mass bouquet's available from Dolores Murray on 087-414-8093 or Betty Finnerty, Chapel Street.

MOUNTMELLICK LIBRARY & GALLERY

Mountmellick Library opens on Thurs 27th/Fri 28th Dec and then close again until Wed Jan 2nd, 2019.

DONATE A DINNER

Clonaslee Pharmacy with Focus Ireland is organising a "Donate a Dinner" campaign. €4 will provide dinner, dessert and tea/coffee for one day over the Christmas period for

someone in need. Please call to the pharmacy if you would like to donate.

MORNING YOGA

Yoga classes on Friday mornings in the Heritage Centre at 10 am starting Jan 11th. Make this your New Year's resolution. For more information contact Audrey on 085-863-3192. It's a drop in class, pay as you go. New members are welcome HOLY CROSS

Bus will travel on Thurs Jan 3rd leaving at 6 pm. Please give your names to 087-212-2766. Cost is €15 return and €5 if you require tea and sandwiches. Thanks to all who travelled in 2018.

COMMUNITY ALERT

As the dark, long nights approach please be extra vigilant. Press your panic button if worried or frightened. You can contact Teresa on 087-970-5651. Use your peep hole. Don't open your door to strangers, always ask for ID.

LAOIS OFFALY LOCAL LINK

Bus will travel on Christmas Eve to Portlaoise and on New Year's Eve. Normal services will resume the following week.

CLONASLEE PARISH LOTTO

Jackpot won, congratulations to Pat Corbet, Ballykaneen on winning €950. Winning no: 2-12-13. €30 winners: Jack Byrne, Cadamstown; Shirley & Lisa, Hillside; Ailbe Batten c/o A Rigney; Joe O'Meara, Clonaslee; Sharon Murphy, Kilmanman; Kathleen Blake, Barradoo. Voucher: Maura O'Gorman. €30: Niall Murphy, Broughla. Promoter's prize: Hogans, Trish Costello, Hogans. Voucher: Kathleen Blake. €30: Ger Kelly. Next week's Jackpot €500.

CLONASLEE ST MANMAN'S GAA LOTTO

Jackpot not won. Winning no: 6-17-19-21. €40 winners: Mark McEvoy, Darragh Scully, Christy Conroy. Promoter's prize: F Fitzpatrick. Drink Hamper: Pat Hyland, Brocca, courtesy of Hickeys Bar. Next week's Jackpot: €7,450.