

ST MANMANS NEWSLETTER
Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday 23rd July 2017

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Parish Website: www.clonasleeparish.com

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WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 8 pm Sunday 10 am

WEEKDAY MASSES

Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs 9 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 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.

WEBCAM – Live Mass feed on www.mcmmedia.com under Clonaslee Parish

ALTAR SERVERS

Sat 29th July: Team B: Catherine Hyland, Emma Dunne

Sun 30th July: Team B: Darragh Mulhall, Paul Mullhall, Ciara Breen, Eimear

ANNIVERSARIES

Saturday 22nd July – 8 pm

Enda Gussie Fitzgerald, Ballykaneen

James Heaney, Hillside

Henry Dunne & Philomena Dunne,

Clonaghmore

Sunday 23rd July – 10 am

Thomas & Bridget O'Brien, Ballinahown

Therese & Patrick Conroy, Shraduff

Saturday 29th July – 8 pm

Christina Hogan, Chapel Street

Matthew Francis Hogan, Hillside

Sunday 30th July – 10 am

Michael & Micheal, Dan & Sarah Maher,

Graigaeafulla

Thomas O'Brien, Reary

TIDY TOWNS

Our sincere thanks to all who contributed to the collection last weekend and to the collectors.

Total amount collected is €870.

TRÓCAIRE

An Emergency Collection in aid of Trócaire's work in East Africa is this weekend. **Please support our appeal and help us reach more people with life-saving aid.**

TIR NA NÓG SUMMER CAMP

24th – 28th July. Ages: 3 years to 7 years

Lots of creativity, art, craft and cooking.

Cost: €50 per person (sibling discount available)

Ring or text: Pauline on 087-983-6384

SLIEVE BLOOM MACRA Na FEIRMA

Slieve Bloom Macra Na Feirma AGM is on Friday July 28th in Poole's Pub in the lounge at 9 pm. New members are very welcome.

BUS TO KILKEE

Leaving Saturday August 5th from Ballyfin at 8:30 am, Mountmellick at 8:40am, Rosenallis at 8:50 am, Clonaslee 9 am. Departs Kilkee at 5 pm. Seats must be booked before August 2. All children under 16 must be accompanied by an adult. Adults /Free Travel Pass/over 16's cost €5 return, under 16 cost €3 return. To book your seat call Local Link Laois Offaly on 057-869-2168.

LADY'S ISLAND

Bus will travel to Our Lady's Island, Wexford on August 15th leaving at 10 am. Names to 087-212-2766.

HOLY CROSS

A bus will be going on Thurs Aug 3rd leaving at 6 pm sharp. Cost is €15 return and €5 if you require tea and sandwiches. Names to 087-212-2766.

THANKS

Thank you to all who attend the annual mass at Reary More Cemetery and to all who helped prepare the cemetery for the mass. Amount raised was €196.75

MOUNTMELICK LIBRARY & GALLERY

An exhibition of work by the Kilbride Art is on in the Gallery and runs until Thurs July 27th. You can still register your children for the summer reading challenge. It's free and your children will get rewards for reading books over the summer. Children who read over the summer months maintain their reading levels and return to school well able

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for the new school year. Welcome back Paul and his dog magic on Thurs Aug 24th at 11 am for a free dog safety workshop for adults and children. Junior Chess Club will be on Sat July 29th from 10.30 – 11.30am for ages 7 – 13. An adult chess club will be setting up in September, if you are interested in joining please let us know. Would you like to introduce your baby or young child to books and the love of reading? Baby Book Club on Tues July 25th from 11am – 12 noon for babies from 0 – 18 months and their parents and siblings. The adult colouring group will continue to meet over the summer on Thursday mornings from 10.30 onwards in Mountmellick Library! Drop in do some colouring and have a cup of tea and coffee and a chat! All are welcome. If interested in any of the above ring 057-864-4572 to book a place or call into Mountmellick Library.

Clonaslee Community Employment Scheme

Based in the Community Centre in Clonaslee have the following vacancies: Clerical – reception and administrative duties: dealing with members of the public, answering the telephone and emails, relaying messages appropriately, diary management, typing and filing. Job Ref: 2046136. Environmental – grass cutting, litter picking, planting flowers and shrubs, weeding, painting, making planters/containers etc. Ref: 2045137. Cleaner – cleaning duties within the Community Centre: hoovering, sweeping, dusting, looking after the kitchen, toilets and dressing rooms etc. Ref: 2046139. Work 19 ½ hours per week or on a week on/week off basis. Other working arrangements will be considered. DSP rates of pay and contracts apply. Please contact your local Intreo Office (Intreo Tullamore: 057-931-8500 or Portlaoise on 057-867-8010) for further information and to place your name on the interview list. For specific information about the job and/or to discuss flexibility in relation to hours, please contact Caitriona on 057-864-8277.

RAMBLING HOUSE FESTIVAL

It's almost time for our Rambling House Festival at An Sean Chistin, Irej, Ballyfin from Mon July 31st to Sun Aug 6th. Our Laois Matters Night is on

Thurs Aug 3rd at 8 pm. If you have composed a song, a tune, a poem or a dance about any part of our native county, please feel very welcome to come along and perform it on that night. Please contact Maureen Culleton 087-648-2038.

SEAN-NÓS AND BRUSH DANCING WORKSHOP

A Sean-nós and brush dancing workshop on Friday August 4th from 11 am-4 pm at An Sean Chistin, Irej, Ballyfin. All ages and abilities welcome. Further information Maureen Culleton 087-648-2038.

ARD EIREANN FESTIVAL 2017

Ard Eireann Festival is on Sat 29th and Sun 30th July. We are hosting a bus tour of the Slieve Blooms on Sat July 29th. Richard Jack will bring you on a tour of the mountains including Lacca Church, the largest Sitka Spruce in the area, Monicknew, The Cut, Kinnitty, Knockbarron Woods, Cadamstown and Clonaslee. Lunch will be in Kinnitty Village. The cost is €20. For further information and to book your seat call Kathleen on 085-737-6745 or Matt on 087-672-6290. On Sun July 30th is the walk to Ard Eireann (Arderin) the highest point in the Slieve Bloom Mountains. Meeting point is The Poets Cottage in Camross, leaving at 2 pm. The walk to Ard Eireann takes approximately 3 hrs. Refreshments afterwards in The Poets Cottage.

LAOIS OFFALY LOCAL LINK

Bus to Tullamore on the first and third Thursday of each month leaving Clonaslee at 9:30 am. Leaving the Bridge Centre at 12:15pm. Cost is €3 return for adult. To book your seat you must phone or text the evening before to 057-869-2168 or 087-743-7444.

CLONASLEE PARISH LOTTO

Jackpot not won. Winning no: 10-20-17. €30 winners: Martina O'Donovan, Clonaslee; Hetty Dunne, Chapel Street; Jack Byrnes, Cadamstown; Pat O'Connell, Clonaslee; Sharon Murphy, Kilmanman; Margaret Lalor, c/o Mary Murphy, Kilmanman. Promoter's prize: Eamon Sammon, Clonaslee Pharmacy, PV Dunne. Next week's Jackpot: €1,250.