

# ST MANMANS NEWSLETTER

Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> September 2023

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Colm Doolan, Spain & formerly of Killoughey who died in Aug. Funeral mass on Sat 30<sup>th</sup> Sept at 12 noon in Mountbolus.

## WEEKEND MASSES

**Saturday 8 pm Sunday 10 am**

## WEEKDAY MASSES

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

View a video broadcast of masses in Clonaslee daily at 9 am, Saturday 8 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](mailto:accordtull@eircom.net). Marriage & relationship counselling service Mon-Fri 9:30am-1:30 pm.

**EUCHARIST: 30<sup>th</sup> Sept/1<sup>st</sup> Oct: Team C**

## ANNIVERSARIES

**Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> September – 8 pm**

Jimmy Murphy, Kilmanman & members of the Murphy & Matthews Families  
Bernard Dunne, Glenkeen

Mary Ann Flanagan, Roscomroe

**Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> September – 10 am**

Bill Sinnott, Clonduff & members of the Holland & Sinnott Families

**Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> September – 8 pm**

Maura Flanagan, Tinnahinch & members of the Flanagan Family

*Pray for* Eugene Young, Bellair  
Matt Horan, Mullingar & formerly of  
Wranglestown who both died recently.

## ALTAR SERVERS & READERS

We are looking for students in 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> class who are interested and excited to become altar servers and/or readers. Please leave your name and contact number with Dolores Murray 087-414-8093 or Fr O'Reilly, 057-864-8030.

## EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

The new rota list is available on the Sacred Heart Altar. Thank you to those who have served this ministry for many years.

## PUT OUT INTO DEEP WATER

Our Pastoral area meeting is on Tues 26<sup>th</sup> Sept at 7:30 pm in Emo National School. Those who attended in June are asked to come along.

## OCTOBER COLLECTION

The October collection is next weekend 1<sup>st</sup> Oct. Please use your monthly envelope for this purpose

## THANKSGIVING CONCERT

A big night of music is coming to Clonaslee, in aid of the Parish church. on Sun Dec 10<sup>th</sup> in St Manman's Church with Dana, Philomena Begley and special guests. Mark your calendars for this special night. Tickets will soon be available online and from local businesses.

## SMA

The Society of Africa Missions mass is on Mon 25<sup>th</sup> Sept at 7:30 pm in St Brigid's Church, Rosenallis.

## AGE FRIENDLY LAOIS

Older Persons Council AGM is a free public event with booking required. New members are welcome to join our Older Persons Council. In Castletown Community Centre, Laois R32 F624 on Tuesday October 24 from 2 -5 pm. Dancing to

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Martin Delaney, refreshments served. The new Age Friendly Strategy County Strategy will be launched at the event.

#### **48 YEAR CELEBRATIONS**

Slieve Bloom Association invite you to our 48 Years and Launch of Mick Dowling Memorial Plaque on Sun Oct 1<sup>st</sup> with 12 noon mass,

1 pm Pageant Procession for unveiling of the plaque, 2 pm dinner in Camross Community Hall R32 TX8Y. Music by Martin Delaney. Tickets €25 available from Matt Barrett 087-672-6290 Clonaslee, Margaret Dowling 086-780-4009 Camross, Mary Doyle 086-334-9365 Kinnitty, Johnny Rigney 087-668-3792 Cadamstown, Christy Conroy, 087-996-2898 Rosenallis, Seamus McDonald 087-989-5112 Mountmellick.

#### **AWARENESS INITIATIVE**

The awareness initiative runs from Oct 9<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup>. Thurs Oct 12<sup>th</sup> sees a full day of activities in the Dunamais Arts Centre which are as follows; 10.30 am Movie Screening and interactive panel discussion- free to students. 2 pm - Anxiety and its Management talk by HSE Psychiatry of Later Life Team. 3 pm - Re- imagining Aging through Outdoor adventure- presented by Joe Tierney, TUS Athlone. 4 pm - Nutrition for Older Adults Demo and Q and A by LOETB's Janice O'Brien. All free with refreshments served. 7 pm - Mindfulness Gallery Tour with Laura Dunne. 8 pm - Free Sound Meditation Class with Golden Egg Holistic. 7 pm also- Parenting the Tech Savvy Child Webinar- the topic of Anxiety, Resilience & Failure. Register here <https://forms.office.com/e/EjYa7PmGYR> Booking required to [curran@laoiscoco.ie](mailto:curran@laoiscoco.ie) or Tom at 086-036-3426.

#### **MOUNTMELICK LIBRARY**

The presentation of medals and certificates for the *Summer Stars Reading Challenge* is on Tues Sept

26<sup>th</sup> from 2:30 pm. Don't forget to call in to the library after school to collect yours. Well done to all our Summer Stars. *Baby Book Club* returns on Tuesdays at 10:30 am for 0–3-year-olds and their carers. No need to book. This is a key building block in your child's literacy. Our *other book clubs* are for 4–6-year-olds, 7-9 years, 10-12 year olds and adults. These groups will meet once a month. Places are limited. *Life in Black and White* and a *Splash of Colour* - an audio-visual display of photographs by Kevin Byrne in Mountmellick Library mezzanine for September. *Adult*

*Colouring* will start back up in the Mountmellick Library. If interested call in and leave your contact details at the desk. *Lego Free Play* Sat mornings 10:30 am to 12:30 pm. The *Gallery* is hosting *Navigation*: a multimedia exhibition by Laois Artist Hazel Restruck from Sept 6<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup>. Laois based artist Aileen O'Donovan will be launching her exhibition "*All Endings Have a Beginning*" on Tues Oct 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6 pm in the Gallery. All are welcome. Aileen uses mixed media to bring 3-d effects to her paintings and is inspired by her environment and nature. *Sensory room* available for 30 minute session. Registration required. Library closed any Saturday of a Bank Holiday weekend. For further information or to book any of the above events call 057-864-4572 or email [mountmellicklibrary@laoiscoco.ie](mailto:mountmellicklibrary@laoiscoco.ie).

#### **GRAIGUECULLEN BINGO**

Tues 26<sup>th</sup> Sept in St. Fiaccs Hall at 8:30 pm  
Jackpot on 50 numbers €3040  
Double Number €810. Lotto €2600.

#### **TFI LOCAL LINK BUS**

This bus travels to Portlaoise every Tuesday and Friday and to Tullamore every Thursday leaving from the village at 9:20 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.

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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

**CLONASLEE PARISH LOTTO**

Jackpot won, congratulations to Marie McCabe on

winning €500. Winning no: 8-3-11. €30 winners:

Ger Kelly, Clonaslee; John & Jennifer Gorman,

c/o Maura; Angelos Take Away, Clonaslee; Fionn

Conroy, c/o M Gorman; Joe Dunne, Rearyvalley;

Ann Hooke, c/o M O'Gorman. Promoter's prize:

Fallons, Leona Murray, Matt Barrett. Jackpot:

€500. Lotto gift vouchers can be purchased from

Dolores Murray on 087-414-8093 or Betty

Finnerty, Chapel Street.