ST MANMANS NEWSLETTER. Fifth Sunday of Lent Sunday 25th March 2012

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WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday	8 pm	Sunday	10 am
WEEKDAY MASSES			

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thurs 9 am

Friday

7:30 pm

<u>ALTAR SERVERS</u> Sat March 31st - Team C: Cecelia Flynn, Aislinn McRedmond, Padraig Hickey, William Murphy, Roisin O'Donovan. Sun April 1st – Team C: Aoibh Foynes, Celine Fitzpatrick, Eimear Lee, Ciara Lee, Shauna Mulhall.

ANNIVERSARIES Saturday 24th March

8 pm Bridie Hogan, Scaroon

8 pm Margaret, James & Andy Dunne, Corbally 8 pm Josephine McManus & her daughter Orla

McManus, Coolagh

Sunday 25th March

10 am Patrick & Mary Delaney, their daughter Kathleen & great grandchild, Patrick McDonald, Coolagh

10 am Martin O'Dwyer, Clodiagh Way & Tipperary

Sunday 1st April

10 am Teresa Conroy, Glebe 10 am Ann Kelly, Glenkeen

CHOIR PRACTICE

Choir practice is on Sunday March 25 at 7 pm in the Fr Shortall Room with Tom Conroy.

COMMUNION PROGRAMME

The First Communion Programme continues on Sunday April 1st at 10am Mass.

EASTER RAFFLE

Clonaslee College Parents Council is holding an Easter Raffle. The draw is on Sat April 7th. Please have donations of non-perishable groceries and raffle cards returned to the school before Wednesday March 28th.

CONGRATULATIONS

A big congratulations to the Cadet and Senior basketball teams from Clonaslee College who both won All Ireland titles in the Tallaght

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Basketball Arena last week. You gave a brilliant performance and kept us on the edge of our seats! **TIDY TOWNS**

A meeting on Mon March 26 at 8:30 pm in the Community Centre. The committee needs the support of the village and surrounds if they are to move up in the National competition. We welcome all ages to get involved. Clean up week will be in April so we would like to see the schools get involved. Doug Fouling Awareness Day in Mountmellick Square on Mon March 26 at 11 am. Environmental staff from Laois Co Council will be present.

CLONASLEE SHOW

The AGM of the Clonaslee Show will be on Wednesday March 28th at 8 pm in the Community Centre. All members please attend.

FLY POSTING

Community Development Association, in the interest of Tidy Towns, asks that no fly posting be put in or around the village. Posters must go outside the 60 km markers. We thank everyone who has cooperated with us. Laois County Council is behind us on this and the committee gained one point last year by this.

COMMUNITY ALERT

Sgt Ingrid Moore and Garda Michael Greaney attended last Monday night's meeting. Sgt Moore gave a very informative talk on the situation they are in, manpower is down everywhere. In Mountmellick they are down one garda so our garda is helping out there. If anyone has a problem or wish to get forms, etc signed please leave a note, with your name and phone number at the station, Garda Greaney will get back to you. He is out in Clonaslee every day but at different times. You may also call to Mountmellick station. Any forms required are available in the Heritage Centre which is open daily. Garda Greany has called to many elderly people and has left his number with them, he will call to the remainder in the near future. Chairman John Cusack thanked Sgt Moore for attending, and said that Clonaslee is a good community but many felt isolated due to lack of garda presence. Garda Moore assured those attending she would do her best but as new

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rules were coming in at the end of March she couldn't promise anything. We look forward to her visiting us again. Be vigilant as another break in happened this week. Check on you elderly neighbours and make sure they are ok. Teresa Maloney from Task is always on hand to assist with your monitor alarm. Please wear your panic button at all times.

TABLE QUIZ

In aid of Laois Branch of Irish Wheelchair Association on Good Friday April 6 in the Clonaslee Community Centre starting at 9 pm. Table of 4 is €20. Refreshments served.

LAOIS HOSPICE FUNDRAISING CHALLENGE

Liam Dunne, originally from Clonaslee is coming to tackle the epic challenge of running non-stop for 52 miles around the way marked Slieve Bloom Way on Friday April 6 – Good Friday. Liam hopes to do it in 10 hours and raise money for the Laois Hospice Foundation. To make a donation and support this worthy cause use sponsorship cards which will be distributed locally or alternatively make a deposit into SWB Challenge TSB Bank, Portlaoise, s/c 99-07- a/c 72302957.

SLIEVE BLOOM RUN/WALK

On Easter Sunday April 8 starting from the Community Centre a 10 km run/walk event will be taking place. Details and information can be found on posters displayed at local shops.

SLIEVE BLOOM WALK

A Slieve Bloom Walk in aid of the Irish Heart Foundation on Bank Holiday Monday April 9 at 11 am starting from the Clonaslee Community Centre. Light refreshments will be served on return. Contact John on 087-613-2044. Phone: 864-8030

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SOCIAL SERVICES

Bingo in the Community Centre every Thursday evening from 6:30 - 9 pm. Light refreshments served. All are welcome.

THANKS

Thanks to all who contributed to the recent Autism Ireland collection. A total of €702 was collected including a large contribution from Clonaslee Whist.

CLOTHING COLLECTION

Dóchas Nasuma, Irish run and built orphanage in Nairobi Kenya are holding a used clothing appeal on Wed March 28. Items may be left in church car park before 12 noon.

St Manman's Church Bicentenary Year

We invited individuals and representatives from all groups, organisations and schools to go on a subcommittee to prepare a variety of events to celebrate the Bicentenary of our church 1813-2013. If you are interested in helping to plan these events please leave your name with Fr O'Reilly.

CLONASLEE PARISH LOTTO

Jackpot not won. Winning no: 5-1-16. €30 winners: Ciara O'Donovan, Clonaslee; Fitzpatrick Family, Brittas; Collette Kelly, Ballykaneen; Larry Costello, Clonaslee; A.K.N. Dunne, Ballymacrory; Maureen Dunne, Castlecuffe. Promoter's prize: Bridie Conroy, Maura O'Gorman, E Sammon. Next week's Jackpot: €1,400.

CLONASLEE ST MANMAN'S GAA LOTTO

Jackpot not won. Winning no: 1-15-13-22. €40 winners: Michelle Fallon, John Brereton, Sarah & Margaret Conway, John Barrett (Brittas), Nicky Dunne.Promoter's prize: Pat Carroll. Next week's Jackpot: ⊕,200. All membership to be paid by March 31 2012

EASTER STATIONS 9 am

<u>Mon. March 26th</u>: Killart, Brocca, Coolnaboughlan, Clonabeg, Cush Upper, Graiguefulla, Cloonagh, Cloonaghmore, Cappanagraigue, Brittas, Glenkeen, Barradoos, Scaroon, Gorrough, Ross, Bonastic, Shracullen, Ballyfarrell, Hillside Estate, Bellair, Boyle, Coolnamoney, Ballinalug, Ballymacrory, Glebe, Corbally, Graigue, Ballinakill, Ashbrook.

<u>Tues March 27th:</u>Clonduff, Reary, Tinnahinch, Rathcoffey, Clarahill, Ballinahown, Garryheather, Clonylyon, Coolagh, Ballinahemmy, Castlecuffe.

Wed March 28th: The Green. The Square, Kilmanman, Coolnabanch, Shraduff, Capparogan, Ballykaneen, Broughla, Larrigan, Wranglestown, The Derries, Main St. Slieve Bloom Park, Chapel St., Tullamore Rd

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