

ST MANMANS NEWSLETTER

Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday 27th August 2023

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The sick and invalids of the parish will be visited on Thurs 31st Aug & Fri 1st Sept at the usual times

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 8 pm Sunday 10 am

WEEKDAY MASSES

Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs 9 am

Friday – 1st Friday 7:30 pm

Confessions before mass

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. Marriage & relationship counselling service Mon-Fri 9:30am-1:30 pm.

EUCHARIST: 2nd/3rd Sept: Team C

ANNIVERSARIES

Saturday 26th August – 8 pm

Months Mind, Eamon Conroy, Graigue William & Margaret Conroy, Graigue & deceased members of the Conroy family

Sunday 27th August – 10 am

Geraldine Delaney, Coolacree, Cadamstown

Sunday 3rd September – 10 am

Patrick Delaney & the Delaney Family, Coolaboughlan

Pray for Dorothy McEvoy nee Molloy, Clonaheen, Rosenallis and Teresa Gillman, Rathdowney who both died during the week.

VISITATION OF THE SICK

ADORATION

Adoration is in the Fr Shortall Room on Friday 1st September from 10 am – 1 pm.

PARISH COUNCIL

Parish Council meeting on Mon 28th Aug at 8 pm in the Fr Shortall Room.

CLONASLEE SHOW DRAW

The link to our 2023 schedule is <https://clonasleeshow.com/competitions/download-entry-forms> Online entry is preferable. <https://clonasleeshow.com/enter-classes>

Alternatively, entry forms can be downloaded and posted in. The annual draw takes place on Sun Sept 10th during the Show. €2,500 in prizes with first prize €500 cash. Tickets are €2 each or 3 for €5 and are available from committee members.

THANKS

Clonaslee CCDA thank Mountmellick Credit Union for their very generous 2023 sponsorship for curtains for the stage in the Community Centre. Your support is greatly appreciated.

THANK YOU

Clonaslee Tidy Towns wish to thank Tom McRedmond and all involved in Clonaslee High Nelly Club for their recent very successful Fundraiser in which €2,600 was presented to Clonaslee Tidy Towns. The committee are appreciative of all your support and wish them continued success.

LAOIS COMMUNITY AND VOLUNTARY AWARDS 2023

Clonaslee Village has been nominated by Clonaslee Tidy Towns for Best Village. Nomination was submitted for Unsung Hero also. Results to be announced in November.

TULLAMORE CREDIT UNION PRIDE OF PLACE 2023

Two round of judging results complimented how well the village looked and how neat and tidy it is being kept. Results of this competition will be announced later in the year.

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WORK EVENINGS

Tidy Towns volunteers will be out every Tuesday and Thursday evenings meeting at 7 pm at Clonaslee Heritage Centre. Anyone who wishes to

come on board and volunteer an hour any time the committee look forward to welcoming you.

CLONASLEE UNITED SOCCER CLUB

As the soccer season is about to commence, please note no dogs allowed on pitches as their faeces cause big problems for children and adults alike.

Thank you for your cooperation.

MOUNTMELICK LIBRARY

Do you want to learn more about *how to use your tablet, smartphone or iPad*? The Laois and Offaly Education and Training Board are offering a free Staying Connected at the library. The 6 week course starts on Fri Sept 15th from 11 am to 1 pm. LOETB are offering a *free learn to crochet* course starting Wed Sept 20th from 10:30 am to 12 noon for 6 weeks. Limited places. *Adult colouring* starts back in Sept. Is your little one starting primary school in September? A 'My Little Library Book Bag' is available free for every child starting school in September 2023 to help them to prepare for this big step. *Mountmellick Art Collective* meet on Thursday mornings, ring to find out more.

Lego Free Play Sat mornings 10:30 am to 12:30 pm. The *Gallery* is hosting Mountmellick Heritage Society's local history exhibition for the month of August. *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.

BALCONY CINEMA MOUNTMELICK

Wed 30th Aug at 8 pm presents the film **Cool Runnings**. Come and enjoy the film and a cuppa all for €5.

GRAIGUECULLEN BINGO

Tues 29th August in St. Fiaccs Hall at 8:30 pm
Jackpot on 50 numbers €2520
Double Number €530. Lotto €2350

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. 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 COMMUNITY

DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

The following CE positions are available: Ref #CES-2297825 **Office Administrator**: Duties include: Supporting the CE Supervisor with a variety of administrative duties such as invoicing, record keeping, filing, basic book keeping, photocopying and typing documents, responding to emails/telephone messages and diary management. #CES-2295521 **Caretaker /groundskeeper Clonaslee Community Centre**. Duties include: General maintenance of the Community Centre and its grounds. Opening and closing the centre, upkeep of indoor sports courts, outdoor pitches and centre facilities. Light maintenance duties such as litter picking, painting, cleaning and ensuring the centre and grounds are well presented. Please send CV's and covering letter to Manager, Clonaslee Community Centre, Bellair, Clonaslee, Co Laois or email: clonasleecommunitycentre@gmail.com

CLONASLEE PARISH LOTTO

Jackpot not won. Winning no: 22-13-3.
€30 winners: Hetty & Edel Dunne, Clonaslee; Ann Flynn, Reary Valley; Ciarán O'Gorman, "Lissane"; Evie & Adam, c/o Fallons; Brandy & Darcy, c/o Paddy Hogan; Noel Martin, c/o Community Centre. Promoter's prize: L Murray, H Dunne, K Blake. Jackpot: €2,150. Lotto gift

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vouchers can be purchased from Dolores Murray
on 087-414-8093 or Betty Finnerty, Chapel Street.

CLONASLEE/ST MANMAN'S GAA LOTTO

Jackpot not won. Winning no: 7-8-22-26.

€30 winners: Angela, Ang, Larry, Christy/Noleen,
Liam Conroy, Seamus Fitz, Sean/Geraldine.

Promoter's prize: Fallons. Next week's Jackpot:
€1,900 in Hickeys Bar.