ST MANMANS NEWSLETTER First Sunday of Advent Sunday 27th November 2011

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WEEKEND MASSES

Sat 8 pm Sun 10 am

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday 9 am

Station masses- Tues, Wed, Thurs 9 am

Friday – 1st Friday 7:30 pm

ALTAR SERVERS

Sat Dec 3rd- Team C: Cecelia Flynn, Aislinn McRedmond, Padraig Hickey, Sean Condon, William Murphy. **Sun Dec 4**th – **Team C:** Aoibh Foynes, Aine McCann, Celine Fitzpatrick, Eimear Lee, Ciara Lee, Ryan Kilroe.

ANNIVERSARIES

Saturday 26th November

8 pm Months Mind, Margaret (Gret) McCann,

Clonabeg

8 pm Michael & Bridget Hogan, Scaroon

8 pm Peter McCann, Cush

8 pm Mary Conroy & her daughter Kathleen,

Coolagh Cross

8 pm McEvoy & Conroy Family, Graigueafulla

Sunday 27th November

10 am Michael Costelloe, Graiguefulla

10 am Annie Costello, Graiguefulla

10 am Deceased members of the Blake Family,

Barradoo

10 am Peter & Christine Dunne, Brocca

10 am Special intention for Kathleen & Patrick

Guilfoyle, Mountmellick

Saturday 3rd December

8 pm Months Mind, Rose Ann Daly, Castlecuffe

8 pm Fr Joe Shortall, former PP of Clonaslee

8 pm Bernard & Ann Breslin, Glenkeen

Sunday 4th December

10 am Timothy & Margaret Mary Murray, Bellair

ADORATION

Adoration of Blessed Sacrament takes place Fri 2^{nd} Dec from 10am - 7pm.

VISITATION OF THE SICK

The sick and invalids of the parish will be visited on Thurs 1st & Fri 2nd Dec in the mornings.

CHOIR TRAINING

Choir training lessons on the gallery on Monday 28th Nov at 7 pm.

CHRISTMAS CARDS

Saint Vincent de Paul Christmas cards are available at the back of the church.

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

The new list is on the Sacred Heart Altar. Thank you for your service this past year.

COLLECTION

Christmas Station collection is next weekend.

Please use pink envelope.

CHRISTMAS LIGHTS COLLECTION

Collection this weekend and your support is much appreciated, it takes a lot of hard work and expense to light up the village.

SOCIAL SERVICES

Christmas dinner in the Community Centre at 1 pm on Sunday. Great day is promised.

CHRISTMAS SHOPPING

Bus will leave Clonaslee PO on Sat Dec 10th at 9 am for Kilkenny. Bus in Mountmellick at 8:40 am, Rosenallis at 8:50 am. Bus leaves Kilkenny at

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to help out.

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5 pm sharp. Seats to be booked with Brian at Laois Trip on 057-869-2168.

COMMUNITY ALERT

Please be extra vigilant as Christmas approaches. Wear your panic button around your neck or on your wrist. One press of the button and heop is there. Don't open or answer your door to any stranger. Those with peepholes, use them. Any problems with alarms phone Teresa Maloney 087-970-5651. Check on your elderly neighbours and see they are ok. Be alert – be alive.

COLLECTION

Annual collection for Saint Vincent de Paul is on $10^{th}/11^{th}$ Dec. Please give generously.

BALLYFIN BAZAAR

In Ballyfin Community Centre on Sun 4th Dec from 10:30am – 4 pm. Stalls with local crafts including Brother Maurice Murphy & Dolores Murray. Monster raffle & wheel of fortune all in aid of Ballyfin National School.

EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS

Parish preparations continue on Wed Nov 30th at 8 pm in The Balcony Theatre, Mountmellick Community Arts Centre. All are welcome.

CLONASLEE ROSENALLIS COMMUNITY GAMES

All parents and people interested in keeping our community games group active are invited to a meeting in the Community Centre on Monday December 5 at 7:30 pm. This year we took part in basketball, indoor soccer, athletics, art and quiz.

ACTIVE RETIREMENT MOUNTMELLICK

The next meeting is on Wed Nov 30th at 10.30am in the MDA. Thurs Dec 1st art classes for beginners in the MDA from 2-4 pm. Every Tuesday bus leaves the MDA at 11.15am for aqua aerobics in Portlaoise. Boccia every Monday in Macro Hall from 7:30-8:30 pm. Music and song every Wednesday evening in St Vincent Hospital from 6:15-7:45pm. Sett dancing in Wolf Tone Court every Monday from 3-4:30 pm. Christmas dinner/party on Sun Dec 4th in the Bridge House Tullamore at 7:30pm. Music by Reuben James. Free bus. All who are going to the Christmas dinner please pay up in full by Wednesday November 30th.

CLONASLEE PARISH LOTTO

Jackpot not won. Winning no: 10-4-12.

③0 winners: B Conroy, Brocca; N and E.M.

O'Keeffe, Brocca; Tiny Hyland, c/o Peavoys;

A and E Rigney, Brocca; Abbie Conroy, c/o B

Conroy; Pat Dunne, Ballymacrory. Voucher

Fr O'Reilly. Bottle Patsy Smith c/o Whist.

Promoter's prize: Conroy's Pub, B Conroy, Mary

O'Keeffe. Voucher Matt Barrett. Bottle K Blake.

Next week's jackpot is €50.

CLONASLEE ST MANMANS GAA LOTTO

Jackpot not won. Winning no: 5-20-3-23. €40 winners: Shay Flannery, James Dunne Jnr, Mary O'Donnell, Micky Mahon, Mary and Donna.

Promoter's prize Kathleen Blake. Next week's jackpot €6,850. Night at the dogs on December 10.