ST MANMANS NEWSLETTER

The Ascension of the Lord

Sunday 29th May 2022

Fr. Thomas O'Reilly, P.P.

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WEEKEND MASSES **Saturday** Sunday 8 pm 10 am WEEKDAY MASSES Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri 9 am Friday – Clonaslee Cemetery Mass 8 pm View a video broadcast of masses in Clonaslee

daily at 10 am, Saturday 8 pm, Sunday 10 am on this direct link https://churchmedia.tv/stmanmans-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 premarriage 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: 4th/5th June: Team A

ANNIVERSARIES

<u>Saturday 28th May – 8 pm</u>

Ellen Rigney & deceased members of the Rigney Family, Garryheather

Alan McEvoy, Bellair & Una Tynan, The Heath, Portlaoise

Sunday 29th May - 10 am

Patrick & Ann Conroy, Brittas Mary Scully & the Doolan Family, Coolagh

VISITATION OF THE SICK

The sick and invalids of the parish will be visited on Thurs and Fri 2nd/3rd June in the mornings. **ADORATION**

Adoration is in the Fr Shortall Room on Friday 3^{rd} June from 10:00 am – 7:00 pm.

PLEASE WEAR YOUR MASKS DURING MASS

PAROCHIAL HALL

If you wish to book the Parochial Hall, contact the interim caretaker Noel on 086-316-6791

CEMETERY MASSES

Clonaslee: June 3rd - 8 pm Corrigeen: June 14th – 7:30 pm Kilmanman: July 1st – 8 pm Rearymore July $5^{th} - 7$ pm.

OUTDOOR MASS

An outdoor Mass will be held in Hillside Estate on Tuesday June 21st and in Clodiagh Way on Wednesday June 22nd at 7:30 pm.

TIME FOR A CHAT?

People of Clonaslee and surrounding areas. Would you be able to offer your help with a cuppa and a chat in supporting the Ukrainian adult members of our community develop their English language through conversation? We need your help. An hour a week or whenever you can. Volunteers needed for short conversations groups. Please get in touch by text on 086-866-8820. Thanks for all your support to date. We really are a fantastic community. Volunteers must be over 18 years of age.

PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK SHRINE

Bishop Denis Nulty invites you to join him in the Shrine of Our Lady of Knock on Sun 5th June. Ceremonies begin at 2:30 pm in the Basilica. Bus from Mountmellick to Knock on June 5th. Contact 057-862-4390.

SYNOD NEWS

The diocesan synod synthesis will be available for view on the diocesan website www.kandle.ie from Wed, June 1st. Every diocese was required to submit the synthesis in a particular format. Parishes as well as the diocese will no doubt be looking to what emerged in local conversations as

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well as what will emerge in the national synthesis in the next few months. Pope Francis is calling us

shining both for the National Competition and Pride of Place. Have Pride in your village.

to a new way of being Church together where we will continue to creating spaces and develop the habit of listening to one another locally and in the wider church.

CLONASLEE ST MANMAN'S LADIES

We are running a massive fundraiser giving two people the chance to win a holiday. First prize is ϵ 2,000 holiday voucher and second prize a ϵ 1,000 holiday voucher. All funds will help us support our Intermediate Ladies, Mothers and Others and U14 girls during the upcoming season. Anyone wishing to purchase tickets can contact club PRO Anne Hyland on 087-229-5001 or through local businesses. ϵ 5 for 1 ticket, ϵ 10 for 3 tickets.

CLOTHES COLLECTION

Clothes collection on June 13th. If you have bags of clothes for collection contact Dolores on 087-414-8093.

TIDY TOWNS

Work evenings continue Tuesday and Thursday evenings meeting at 7pm at Clonaslee Heritage Centre. A lot of work still to be done. Please don't spray weeds as this will lose us marks - weed if possible. The Green area at Slieve Bloom Park was cut during the week as it was gone wild and cannot be done by CE workers. If residents in the area could form a committee and maintain the area or it will get overgrown. Residents in the other estates in the village are maintaining their areas. Funding is available through Laois County Council. We welcome all help.

PRIDE OF PLACE

Clonaslee Village has been entered in the 2022 Pride of Place competition that Tullamore Credit Union are running for the summer months where judges will visit Clonaslee separate to the National Competition during the three months. Everyone's help and support is vital in maintaining outside their area and having Clonaslee neat and tidy and

DOG FOULING

Dog fouling continues to be an issue in the village especially on the paths at Slieve Bloom Park. This will lose us points in the competitions we are participating in. There are three bag dispensers in the village - Brittas Avenue, Slieve Bloom Park and Hillview Entrance. Please pick up after your dog.

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. Others cost is \in 3 return. It is a door to door pick up so you must book the evening before prior to 5 pm on 057-869-2168.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN WILDLIFE?

Pupils at Castlecuffe NS have been observing the native birds in the school woodland area via a webcam. In March we moved the webcam to one of our nesting boxes and we were delighted when a couple of birds chose it for their nest. We have been fascinated by the family ever since. To see examples of the footage from the webcam, go to our website www.castleuffens.com

CLONASLEE PARISH LOTTO

Jackpot not won. Winning no: 2-12-21. €30 winners: Patricia & Clare Dunne, c/o M O'Keeffe; Denise Hogan, Clonaslee; Peter McGuirk, Community Centre; Deirdre & Susie, c/o Nuala Smith; Billy Parkinson, c/o G Kelly; Bridie Conroy, Ballyfarrell. Promoter's prize: Hetty Dunne, S Fitzpatrick, Maura O'Gorman. Next week's Jackpot: €1,100. Lotto gift 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: 3-17-20-21.

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C Downey.

Next week's Jackpot: €10,150 in Hickeys Bar.