

ST MANMANS NEWSLETTER

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday 30th January 2022

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WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 8 pm Sunday 10 am

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday – St Brigid's Day 10 am

Tues, Wed, Thurs 10 am

Friday – 1st Friday 10am

View a video broadcast of masses in Clonaslee daily at 10 am, Saturday 8 pm, Sunday 10 am on this direct link

<https://www.churchmedia.tv/camara/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: 5th/6th February: Team D

ANNIVERSARIES

Saturday 29th January – 8 pm

Betty Heaney, Gorrough

Ger Conroy, Ashbrook

John & Kit Carroll, Shracullen

VISITATION OF THE SICK

The sick and invalids of the parish will be visited on Thurs 3rd Feb and Fri 4th Feb in the mornings.

ADORATION

Adoration is in the Fr Shortall Room on Friday 4th Feb from 10:30 am – 7 pm.

PLEASE WEAR YOUR MASKS DURING MASS

CASTLECUFFE NATIONAL SCHOOL

Castlecuffe National School will begin accepting applications for admission on January 13th. The application form for admission can be downloaded from www.castlecuffens.com or you may email the school at info@castlecuffens.com with their address and we will send one out in the post. If any difficulties phone the school on 057- 864-8238 between 9:30 and 11 am on weekdays. Our admissions policy and admissions notice for this year are available for viewing on our website. Please note the website address and email address are different to last year's.

SCOIL BHRÍDE ENROLMENT '22-'23

Scoil Bhríde, Cluain na Slí will commence accepting applications for admission to its new Junior Infant Class 2022-2023 from 14/1/22. The closing date for accepting applications falls on 4/1/22. A copy of the school's Admission Policy and Application for Admission form for the 2022-2023 school year is available as follows: To download at www.clonasleens.ie, On request by emailing clonasleens@gmail.com, On writing to: The Principal, Scoil Bhríde, Chapel St, Clonaslee, Co Laois R32 WE51

ST PATRICK'S DAY PARADE

Clonaslee St Patrick's Day Parade will take place on Thurs March 17th at 12 noon. Meetings will be held every week on Thursday evenings at 8 pm in Clonaslee Community Centre. We welcome anyone who would like to come on board.

ST PATRICK'S DAY PARADE FLOATS

Float Applications for 2022 Clonaslee St Patrick's Parade are now open. We will have floats for the following: Best Club/School Float; Most Entertaining Float; Best Vintage; Most Original Float; Best Dressed Dog. Any local organisations or interested clubs wishing to put in a float into the Parade can do so from today. You can inform

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us through a private message on our Facebook page or by contacting Brendan 087-967-5054 or Ronan 085-148-2296. There is no entry fee to enter a float but if anyone would like to give a

donation they are most welcome. Each club or school can make up their float on any theme of their choice.

CLOTHES COLLECTION

It's time to start decluttering. A clothes collection will be the week of February 20th more details to follow. Any questions, call 087-414-8093.

KILMANMAN RESORATION PROJECT

The Clonaslee High Nelly Club have compiled a DVD of their recent cycle fundraiser in aid of Kilmanman Church restoration project. DVD is €10 and for sale in local business. All proceeds go towards Kilmanman Church restoration project.

A DIFFERENT ERA

A book written by Fr Thomas O'Reilly 'A Different Era, Life in a Small Village' is now available in local shops, costing €10.

TIDY TOWNS

Please do not throw your masks on the ground, take them home or put them in the bins. Please clean up after your dog; there is no excuse as dog mutts installed at Hillview, Sliabh Bloom Park, Brittas Avenue. €150 fine if caught or reported.

COMMUNITY ALERT

Please use your panic button and peephole during the longer nights. Do not entertain callers to your door. Press the panic button if you are concerned. It is monitored 24 hours and always on hand.

LAOIS OFFALY RURAL LOCAL LINK

Passenger Covid 19 notice: Please be respectful and do not travel; if you are experiencing Covid symptoms, tested positive for Covid; are a close contact or living in a house with people who are Covid positive. You must book your seat the evening before as it is a door-to-door service. The bus travels to Portlaoise on Tues and Fri and to Tullamore on Thurs leaving at 9:30 am. To book your seat phone 057-869-2168 or 083-012-0836.

GRAIGUECULLEN BINGO

We are excited to welcome back all our loyal bingo players to St. Fiacc's Hall on Tuesday February 1st. To celebrate, we will have a Monster Bingo with great prizes; Jackpot on 50 numbers

€2910; White Sheet Double No. €390; Lotto €650 and a free draw with every Lotto ticket. Bingo will commence at 8:30 pm sharp.

MOUNTMELICK LIBRARY

The Tovertafel table is a table with interactive light projection games specially designed for those with dementia, cognitive challenges, autism and learning difficulties. The projections respond to the touch of the players. Blow bubbles, touch flowers, listen to autumn leaves. Booking is essential-there are 30-minute slots available. Call Mountmellick Library on 057-864-4572 if interested. Join us for Poetry Circle where we share and listen to poems over Zoom. Over Zoom on Wed Feb 16th at 11 am.

email mountmellicklibrary@laoiscoco.ie New year new you. Mountmellick Library has a range of books on diet, exercise and sleep. Check out the Healthy Ireland Section. The Short and Sweet Book Club meet once a month to discuss two/three short stories. If interested call 057-864-4572. Baby Book Club will online on Laois Libraries Facebook page on Tues Feb 1st at 10:30 am. This is for 0-3 years old and consists of action rhymes, songs and stories to encourage pre-literacy skills. Sensory Resource Collection: This service is for parents of children with additional needs who live in Co. Laois. To register for the service, you must have a referral letter from O.T., G.M.P., physio or other professional. For further details call 057-864-4572 or call to the Library for a booklet

CLONASLEE PARISH LOTTO

Jackpot not won. Winning no: 6-18-20. €30 winners: John Barrett, Tullamore Road; Ger Kelly, Clonaslee; Paddy Digan, Coolagh; Kathleen Blake, Clonaslee; Mary Dunne,

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Cloonaghmore; Sarah & Emily Corbet, Clonaslee.

Promoter's prize: Hickeys, S Fitzpatrick, Flynn's

PO. Next week's Jackpot: €650. Give a gift card

for birthdays or a special occasion. Lotto gift

vouchers can be purchased from Dolores Murray

on 087-414-8093 or Betty Finnerty, Chapel Street.