ST MANMANS NEWSLETTER Fifth Sunday of Lent Sunday 7th April 2019

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WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday8 pmSunday10 amWEEKDAY MASSESMon, Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri9 amCONFESSIONSEvery 1st Friday before 7:30 pm Mass.9 amSACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptisms available on Saturdays. To arrange a date contact 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. Also on offer marriage & relationship counselling service Mon-Fri 9:30 am-1:30 pm.

<u>WEBCAM</u> – Live Mass feed on www.mcnmedia.tv under Clonaslee Parish <u>WHEELCHAIR</u> available in sacristy if needed. NOTE

All groups, organisations, clubs please advise the parish office on 864-8030 two weeks in advance if you holding a church gate collection

ALTAR SERVERS

Sat 13th April – Team A: Lily May Owens, Amy Thornton, Emily Lambe, Amelia Dunne

Sun 14th April – Team A: Niamh Kelly, Daniel O'Meara, Michael Poole, Ciara Breen, Peter Foynes

ANNIVERSARIES

<u>Saturday 6th April – 8 pm</u>

Benedict & Bridget Egan, Rathcoffey Sinead Murphy nee Barrett, Tullamore & Bellair John & Mary Dunne, Tinnahinch

Sunday 7th April – 10 am

Joe & Julia McRedmond & deceased members of the McRedmond Family, Clonabeg

<u>Saturday 13th April – 8 pm</u>

Ethna Keeley, Tullamore Liam, Larry, William & Elizabeth Flynn, Garryheather

1st COMMUNION PROGRAMME

The First Communion programme continues next Sunday April 14th at the 10 am Mass.

SIGNPOSTS ON THE ROAD TO EMMAUS

Lenten parish programme digging, discovering and delighting in the richness of our Sunday mass. Finishing Thurs April 11^{th} from 8 – 9:30 pm in The Balcony Theatre, Arts Centre, Mountmellick Also being held in Portlaoise Parish Centre on Tuesday April 9th at 7:30 pm.

CHURCH GATE COLLECION

On 13th/14th April in aid of St Manmans Ladies Football Club. Your support is appreciated. **CCDA**

The monthly CCDA meeting is on Mon 8th April at 8:30 pm in the Community Centre.

Invitation from Bishop Denis –**Chrism Mass** Having journeyed together, 'Digging Deeper' into our Sunday Mass this Lent, I warmly invite each of you to join me for our annual diocesan *Chrism Mass on Monday, April 15th at 7:30pm in Carlow Cathedral*. The diocese is a family of parishes and on this night, we get to gather as a family, priests and people from our 56 parishes. This is a wonderful celebration of the Mass, rich in music and ritual. *Come early to get a seat and stay for a cuppa afterwards!*

CELEBRATION

Our new and existing Eucharistic Ministers will be commissioned on Holy Thursday Night.

PATCHWORK & QUILTING EXHIBITION

Clonaslee Patchwork group are exhibiting their quilts and crafts in the Heritage Centre, Clonaslee today Sun April 7th from 10 am - 6 pm. A raffle of two beautiful handmade quilts in aid of Friends of the Hospital, Tullamore and Pieta House for only €5 per line. Visitors vote on their favourite quilt. All welcome admission free. FAMILY FUN WALK

A 5 K Family Fun Walk on Palm Sunday, April 14th in aid of Castlecuffe NS. Registration at 11 am in Heritage Centre. €10/adult, kids free.

MONTHLY BINGO

Monthly Bingo in Clonaslee Community Centre on Sun April 28th at 3 pm. Doors open at 2:15 pm.

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JOIN ACCORD

We are now recruiting volunteer facilitators for Accord as a marriage preparation course facilitator. Please contact Aisling on 01-505-3112 or email info@accord.ie

K&L DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE LOURDES

On $1^{st} - 6^{th}$ Aug. Cost \in 759. A key to our diocesan pilgrimage is being attentive to the sick and vulnerable. Bishop Nulty has asked us to delegate one person from our parish who would benefit from a pilgrimage to Lourdes. The parish will pay for this person, their carer will pay their own fare. Anyone wishing to travel, please give your name to Fr O'Reilly.

TIDY TOWNS

Work evenings every Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 7-9 pm. Collection date for the litter is Tues April 9th, anyone collecting litter in their area must leave it at the Community Centre before then to be collected. The litter must be in the branded bags available from the Committee. No litter will be collected in black bags. There will be a clean-up on Good Friday morning 11-1 pm starting from Heritage Centre, we would like to see people come out and help.

CLONASLEE BASKETBALL CLUB

We invite any business/organisation to advertise on board signs in the Clonaslee Community Centre. Please contact Deirdre Baker 087-612-7084 or Joy O'Brien 087-928-5579.

MOUNTMELLICK BINGO

Please note bingo in Mountmellick will be held in the Oweness Hall for the next couple of weeks.

MOUNTMELLICK LIBRARY

Parent and child crafts: From 2pm on Wed April 10th and Tues April 16th. For 0-3 years of age indoor sensory play morning from 10 a.m.-12.30 on Thurs April 11th. Easter Story time: Wed April 17th from 11.00-11.30 a.m. for ages 3 and over. Animal Magic Show: Wed April 17th at 3 pm a show and tell of exotic animals and unusual pets. Library closed from Fri April 19th to Mon April 22nd inclusive. Colouring group on Thursdays at 10:30 am. Baby Book Club for babies and children aged 0 – 3 years and their carers. Every

Tuesday from 10:30-11:30 am. The Gallery exhibition is by the Maximova family called "The foundation of "Family Art". The new Short and Sweet Book Club could be for you. Each month we'll read two short stories for discussion. Call 057-864-4572 to book a place.

EASTER ART CAMPS

Pop up Art and craft workshops for ages 7-10 years at Laois Arthouse, Stradbally. On 23rd – 25th April from 11 am-1 pm. Fee €15 per child. Booking essential as spaces are limited phone 057-866-4033/13 or artsoff@laoiscoco.ie

LAOIS OFFALY LOCAL LINK

Bus travels Tuesday and Friday to Portlaoise leaving 9:30 am, returns 12:30 pm. Cost €3 return and travel pass accepted. Bus travels to Tullamore Thursday leaving 9:30 am, returns 12:15 pm from the Bridge Centre. Cost €3 return. Bus travels to Bingo each Sunday leaving Clonaslee 7:30 pm. It is a door to door pick up. The bus will drop you at hospitals or train stations. Any queries or to book your seat, contact 057-869-2168 or 087-743-7444. in the Heritage Centre or on 057-864-8519.

CLONASLEE PARISH LOTTO

Jackpot won.Congrats to Charlie Multany, c/o Hickeys and Richie O'Keeffe, Brittas each winning €1,225. Winning no: 21-15-6. €30 winners: Pat & Hetty, c/o Hetty Dunne; Ellie May, Barry & Jack O'Keeffe, Clonaslee; Anna Snell, Brittas; Nora Foynes, Main Street; Brian Multany c/o E Sammon; Joe Conroy, Jnr, Brocca. Promoter's prize: Maura O'Gorman, N Dunne, Dan O'Neill. Next week's Jackpot: €500. Give a gift card for birthdays or a special occasion. Lotto gift vouchers can be purchased at the Heritage Centre or from Dolores Murray on 087-414-8093. <u>CLONASLEE ST MANMAN'S GAA LOTTO</u> Jackpot not won. Winning no: 2-12-25-27.

40 winners: Mary Whelan, Darren Kennedy, Patricia Costello. Promoter's prize: S Conroy. Next week's Jackpot: €2,950.