ST MANMANS NEWSLETTER Second Sunday of Lent Sunday 8th March 2020

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WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 8 pm Sunday 10 am

WEEKDAY MASSES

Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri

9 am

CONFESSIONS

Every 1st Friday before 7:30 pm Mass.

SACRAMENT 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 pre-marriage course. Contact ACCORD for marriage preparation courses on 057-934-1831 or accordtull@eircom.net. Marriage & relationship counselling service Mon-Fri 9:30 am-1:30

WEBCAM - Live Mass feed on www.mcnmedia.tv under Clonaslee Parish

WHEELCHAIR available at back of church.

MASS FOR CHILDREN

The Fr Shortall Room, behind the sacristy, is available for families with young children.

ALTAR SERVERS

Sat 7th March-Team A: Aaron Lawlor, Jack Carroll, Sineád Hobhan Garry

Sun 8th March - Team A Emma Kelly, Emmet Kelly Cusack

ANNIVERSARIES

Saturday 7th March-8pm

James & Kathleen Donnelly, Sliabh Bloom Park Mary Donnelly, Sliabh Bloom Park Seamus & Margaret Donnelly & Grandparents

William & Margaret Ballinalug

Sunday 8th March - 10 am

Noreen Foynes, Ballykaneen

Bernard & Anne Breslin & Lar Breslin.

Glenkeen

James & Julia Casey, Derries

Lil Rosney, Broughla and her parents Patrick and Catherine.

Saturday 14th March

Martha Flynn, Coolnabanch

Jim & Margaret Dunne & their children Kathleen, Gerry, Dinny & Andy, Corbally Tom Smith, Bellair

Peter Carroll, Castlecuffe Jim & Annie Carroll, Ballykaneen

Easter Stations

Week of March 22nd

1st Communion Programme

15th March at 10am Mass

PRO LIFE TALK

Speakers: Carol Nolan and Michael Dwyer from Family & Life. Thursday March 9th at 7:30 pm at Portlaoise Parish Centre in the Campur Room. All welcome!

Autism Church Gate Collection 14th & 15th March

CLONASLEE ST. PATRICK'S PARADE

We are delighted to announce our special guest Grand Marshall Jamie Lee from RTE's 'Raised by the Village'. The parade is on Sunday March 15 at 12 noon sharp and not be missed with prizes for the best floats, including Best Dressed Dog, and fun for all the family! Any local organisations or interested clubs wishing to put in a float into the Parade can do so by contacting Brendan on 087-967-5054 or Ronan on 085-148-2296. Floats assembling at Community Centre from 11 am. There is no entry fee to enter a float. Each club or school can make up their float on any theme of their choice

ROSENALLIS ST PATRICKS DAY PARADE

If anyone is interested in putting a float from Clonaslee into the Rosenallis parade they are most welcome. All ages welcome.

Bingo

Sunday March 22nd in Community Centre 3pm Doors open at 2.15pm

TEA & COFFEE MORNING

On Sunday 8th March at 11 am in Parochial Hall in aid of Play School. Come along for a cup of tea and delicious treats.

Please support, we greatly appreciate it.

ON YOUR HIGH NELLY

Fundraiser cycle in aid of Kilmanman Cemetery Church renovations. On Sun March 29th with a €20 entry fee, meeting at Hickey's Bar, Clonaslee at 12 noon. Contact Larry 087-051-7219 or Dinny 087-186-6832.

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MOUNTMELLICK DRAMA FESTIVAL

Friday 6th March to Friday 13th March inclusive at 8 pm each night in the Mountmellick Community Arts Centre, with 8 plays from 8 counties.

ALL COUNTY DRAW TICKETS

Thank you to everyone who supported the club and the county by purchasing a €130 All County Draw Ticket. First draw takes place on March 6th The very best of luck to all our entrants. Membership is now due and must be paid in full by March 31st. Monies can be given to Registrar Eugene Young.

BASIC CPR TRAINING

Laois PPN are offering a free "Hands for Life" Basic CPR training to all member groups in association with the Irish Heart Foundation. The training will take place on Sat March 14th in the

IDA Mountmellick. There are three different times to choose from: Session 1: 10:30 am - 11:30 am, Session 2: 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm, Session 3: 1:30 pm - 2:30 pm. To reserve your place please contact us on 057-866-5661 or email ppn@laoiscoco.ie

MOUNTMELLICK LIBRARY & GALLERY

Message in a bottle: These bottles, aimed at older people, record basic medical information and are stored in the person's fridge. This means if necessary, the information can be quickly accessed by emergency services. These are now available to pick up at Mountmellick Library. Thanks to Laois Age Friendly. A parent and child craft popup table in on Wednesday March 11 from 3-5 pm with St. Patrick's Day theme. Why not drop in and create together? Knitting and crochet club will meet in every Thursday around 11 am. All are welcome. There is a monthly book club for 10-12 year olds. Places are limited so call 057-864-4588 for bookings. Baby book club is on Tuesdays at 10:30 am. For babies and children aged 0 – 3 years and their carers. Come along to this free session to talk, sing, read, write and play with your little one. A great introduction to books in a fun and friendly environment. Short and sweet book club meets every month in to discuss two short stories. If interested in joining call 057-864-4588 for further details.

LAOIS OFFALY LOCAL LINK

Bus travels each Tues and Friday to Portlaoise leaving at 9:30 am, returns at 12:30 pm. Cost €3 return and travel pass accepted. Bus travels to Tullamore every Thursday leaving at 9:30 am, returns at 12:15 pm from the Bridge Centre. Cost €3 return. Bus travels to Bingo each Sunday leaving Clonaslee at 7:30 pm. Book by phone/text evening before 087-743-7444 Note Bus will travel on Monday 16th owing to Patrick's Day

PLAY BY BALLYFIN PLAYERS

"The Case" – Frances Harney Production. Ballyfin Players are pleased to announce "The Case" play on Friday 27 and Saturday March 28 in Mountmellick Arts Centre commencing at 7:30 pm sharp each evening. Tickets cost €10 and can be obtained from O'Horain's or Watchorne's (Londis), Mountmellick. Raffle tickets on the night for €5 per strip of 3 with 100% proceeds going to the invaluable service of the Cuisle Centre.

TRAMPOLINE CLASS

Community Centre on Tue 6 pm , Thursday at 7 pm PATCHWORK CLASSES

Tuesdays and Wednesdays in the Heritage Centre. Contact Annette on 087-988-1046...

MORNING YOGAFridays in Heritage Centre at 10 am. AUCTION

Clonaslee St. Manmans are holding a Home and Country auction on Sunday April 19. This is a massive undertaking and we are hoping that this will raise much needed funds for the day to day running of our club. On this note we are looking for any contributions/donations that can be auctioned on the day. From household furniture to electrical items to sports memorabilia to agricultural items to fuelling sources. Anything that is in good repair we will be extremely grateful for any donation. This promises to be a great day with refreshments teas and coffees served on the day and plenty of items to interest everyone and also a Monster raffle at the conclusion of the auction. Please spread the word and join us for a great day's entertainment.

CLONASLEE PARISH LOTTO

Jackpot not won. Winning no: 16-1-15. €30 winners: John & Imelda Cusack, Aidan Fitzpatrick, Alma Cleere, Ger Kelly, Larry & Sandra Rigney, Tommy Tynan

. Promoter's prize: Ger Kelly, Ronan Dunne, Kathleen BlakeNext week's Jackpot: €1700. 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: 3-8-11-19. €40: winners:Eileen Digan, John Mulligan, Paddy Dunne. Promoter's prize: Neil Digan. Next week's Jackpot: €4,900.

50/50 Draw Total Envelopes sold 251

1st €175 Leah Rosney, 2nd €76 C. & S McCann Promoters Prize: Flynns shop. Next Draw: 18th March in Hickeys