ST MANMANS NEWSLETTER The Ascension of the Lord Sunday 17th May 2015

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Parish Website: www.clonasleeparish.com

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 8 pm Sunday 10 am

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Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri 9 am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after

morning mass on Fri until mid-day.

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 premarriage course. Contact ACCORD on 057-934-1831 or www.accord.ie

ALTAR SERVERS

Sat May 23rd – Team B: John Blake, Olivia

Rigney, Patrick Purcell

Sun May 24th – Team B: Rachael O'Meara, Ellen Doyle

ANNIVERSARIES

Saturday 16th May – 8 pm

Pat Carroll, Ballykaneen

<u>Sunday 17th May – 10 am</u> John Murphy & all the Murphy family, Kilmanman

John Conway, Coolagh

Nora Coady, Kilcormac

John Carroll, Shracullen

Saturday 23rd May – 8 pm

Michael & Mary Lawlor, Cloonagh

Nicholas & Mary Anne Dunne, Ballymacrory

Pray for Margaret McCann, Ashbrook who died during the week. Pray for Paddy Hogan, Canberra Australia & formerly of Gorrough who died recently, months mind to be arranged later.

COLLECTION

Collection for retired priests/nursing home care is on next weekend. Please use your monthly envelopes for this purpose.

CEMETERY MASSES

Clonaslee cemetery Friday June 5 at 8 pm; Corrigeen cemetery Friday June 26 at 8 pm; Kilmanman cemetery Friday July 3 at 8 pm.

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CLODIAGH PLAYERS

The production of Just Outside Mountmellick directed by Danny Hyland has finally arrived! Book your seats for Tuesday May 19th, Wednesday May 20th. Saturday May 23rd show is sold out! Book by ringing 085-783-1104. Play starts at 8 pm sharp in the Parochial Hall. A fun night of laughs and mystery guaranteed.

PIETA HOUSE FUNDRAISING WEEKEND

Swans Bar and Café are hosting a fundraising weekend for Pieta House -Suicide Awareness and Prevention. Kicking off is a Fashion Show on Friday May 29 at 8 pm in the Community Centre. Prizes for the best dressed lady and gent on the night plus loads of arts and craft stands on display. Tickets cost €10 available at local shops and Swans Café. Saturday May 30 will be a coffee morning from 10 am to 2 pm in Swans Café with a table quiz that night at 9:30 pm. Loads of prizes to be won with a table of 4 costing only €20. On Sunday May 31 there is a cake sale from 10 am to 2 pm in Swans Café and a 5K Fun Run/Walk starting at 11:30 am. Adults €10, children €5, family €20. For more information on the above events contact Tom McRedmond 087-947-6262 or Yvonne Comerford 087-191-6727.

COLLECTION

Cuisle Centre is having a church gate collection on 30th/31st May. Your support is appreciated.

TIDY TOWNS

We please ask that everyone be more vigilant about litter, use the bins provided for litter and cigarette butts, as the National judging will be starting in June. Work evenings on Tues and Thurs starting from at Heritage Centre at 6 pm.

FLY POSTING

All fly posting must go outside the 50 and 60 km speed signs. Our village looks much cleaner and others are following our example. We thank everyone for their cooperation.

COMPUTER COURSE

Anyone interested in doing a basic computer course for three weeks at a cost of €10.OAP's

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are free. Please give your name to Betty Finnerty on 864-8296. If decided on, the course will be on Mondays.

PLAYGROUP

Tir na n'Og playgroup are now enrolling for September 2015, we are currently participating in the ECCE scheme (free year). We also have spaces available from now until June 26. We are open Monday –Friday 9:30 am – 12:30 pm. The cost is €12.50 a day.For further details or to enrol your child contact Victoria on 864-8988 from 9am – 1:15 pm.

BALLYLINAN PASSION PLAY

Dvds, memory sticks and blu- ray discs of Ballylinan Passion Play - The Greatest Story Ever Told - recorded Good Friday 2015 now available at €20 each, to place an order telephone or text Mary 086-862-6547. Passion Play 2015 was an experience not to be missed and was acclaimed as such in the many cards, letters and messages received after the production. A sincere thank you is extended to all who supported Passion Play 2015 in any way.

CLONASLEE BRANCH MUSIC CLASSES

Clonaslee Comhaltas now have two music teachers on Thursdays in the Community Centre. Karen McCormack teaches button accordion, flute, tin whistle, keyboard and fiddle from 4:15-8 pm. Maria Hearnett teaches beginners from 6-8 pm. Instruments being taught are tin whistle, banjo, mandolin, concertina, fiddle and button accordion. If your child has an interest in any of the classes please contact branch chairman John Conway on 085-285-1772.

SCOIL BHRÍDE NEWS

Congratulations to all the boys and girls from Second Class who received their First Holy Communion recently. Many thanks to our choir Mistress, Miss Molloy and to all the children from 3rd to 6th class who sang so beautifully. We've been awarded our Second Green Flag (Energy). All pupils put a lot of work to help us achieve this honour. Thanks to Mrs. O'Donoghue and Miss Hennessy for co-ordinating our efforts. School Enrolment Day for our new Junior Infant Class September 2015 shall take place on Fri May 29th.

Parents are invited to visit the school with their children at 1:00pm on that date. You will get an opportunity to meet the School Principal and some of the teachers at SBC. Information on the school and a tour of the facilities will also be conducted. Enrolment at the School is still open so we would encourage anybody who is still undecided as to where to send their child to school in Sept this year to come along. Well done to the hurling team who have reached the Cumann na mBunscol Roinn 3 Final yet again. We are hopeful that those boys can bring home the title to Clonaslee for the first time. Laois Rose, Ailbhe Culleton visited Scoil Bhríde on Thurs May 14th. She is currently taking part in the Laois Regional Festival and dropped into Scoil Bhríde to meet our Rose Buds from First and Second Class. Swimming lessons for our Senior Classes continue every Monday at Aura Leisure Centre in Tullamore. We are currently preparing for the upcoming Rounders Blitzes. These events prove to be a highlight of the year for all those children taking part.

CCE SCHEME

Tidy Towns Worker for the Clonaslee Community Development Association. Duties: litter picking, grass cutting, weeding, painting, strimming etc. An interest in gardening/horticulture is essential. Ability to work as part of a team is important. Please contact local DSP (formerly FAS office) on 057-867-8010 to place your name on the interview list. You cannot be interviewed unless your name is on the interview list.

CLONASLEE PARISH LOTTO

Jackpot not won. Winning no: 2-6-13. €30 winners: D Bracken, Capparogan; Val Hogan, Tinnahinch; Nancy Costello, Cloonagh; Dolores Murray, Clonabeg; Jim Costello, Cloonagh; Hetty Dunne, Chapel Street. Promoter's prize: Matt Barrett, Nuala Smith, Fallons. Next week's Jackpot: €2,000.

CLONASLEE ST MANMANS GAA LOTTO

Jackpot not won. Winning no: 6-19-1-7. €40 winners: Denise Flynn, Mary & Monica Conway, Mary Hickey, Willie Coughlan, Nikita Doyle. Promoter's prize: Swans Next week's Jackpot: €4,350.