INCH-KILMALEY-CONNOLLY PARISH NEWSLETTER

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THIRD SUNDAY EASTER "Year C" 10th April, 2016

Sun 10th April @ 9.30am Andy Clancy, Bushypark **MASSES:** Inch Peggy Lawlor, Inch John Killeen, Clonfeigh Sun 17th April @ 9.30am Special Intention Sun 10th April @ 10.30am Connolly James & Mary Wynne, Tullaghaboy Sun 17th April @ 10.30am Special Intention Sat 9th April @ 7.30pm **Kilmaley** Michael Joe Neylon, Kilclogher Michael & Flan Neylon, Cahermore Mickey & Mary Ann O'Neill, Drimanure Michael Joe Haren, Tullaghaboy Sun 10th April @ 11.30am Special Intention

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TRÓCAIRE: Over the past weeks of Lent we have been invited to reflect on how we can support the people of Kenya through our prayers and financial support. We thank those who have returned their Trócaire contributions so far and encourage others to do the same. Amount contributed so far €1,523. Last year our Parish contributed €2,463 so hopefully we can do as good this year. Many thanks for your support.

<u>LAY- LED LITURGIES:</u> The second night of input in relation to Lay led Liturgies in the absence of a Priest will take place in Inagh Hall on Thursday 14th April at 8pm. We encourage all those who were there on the first night to attend and more are welcome, especially Readers, Eucharistic Ministers and anyone interested.

<u>MARRIAGE BLESSINGS:</u> We congratulate and wish every Blessing to Martina Healy, Furroor, Kilmaley and Brian Curtin, Cregg, Lahinch who were married on Saturday 2nd April in the Church of St. John the Baptist, Kilmaley. We pray that God will bless their journey of married life and fill them with happiness.

<u>WEEKDAY MASS TIMES</u>: Connolly –Mon, Tue & Wed @10.00am Kilmaley — Fri, Sat. @ 10.00am No Mass on Thursday due to Priests' Conference.

MINISTRY OF THE WORD: Kilmaley - Sat 16th April @ 7.30pm Mary Ita Griffin; Sun 17th April @ 11.30am Ann O'Loughlin Inch - Sun 17th April @ 9.30am Christopher Forde Connolly – Sun 17th April @ 10.30am Noeleen Doherty

BASKET & ENVELOPE COLLECTIONS: A sincere thanks to all who contribute so generously every weekend to all the various collections: The total last weekend was as follows- Weekly Envelope €768.81; Priests Collection €682; St. Patrick's Day €11.70; Education Fund €4;

<u>CELEBRATING 60 YEARS OF PILGRIMAGE</u>: This year the Killaloe Diocese is celebrating 60 years of pilgrimage to Lourdes. On 26th June four flights will leave Shannon Airport bringing pilgrims to Lourdes for five days celebrating the Jubilee Year of Mercy. The cost is €687 full board with online discount available on <u>www.joewalshtours.ie</u>. Assisted pilgrims are most welcome to travel and care will be provided by medical, nursing and carers. Cost for an assisted pilgrim is €585. Application forms for assisted pilgrims to Fr Tom Ryan Shannon Pilgrimage Director on 061-364133.

<u>PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND:</u> The Diocese of Killaloe are organising a once in a life time Pilgrimage to the Holy Land for 147 people direct from Shannon Airport for 8 days from 23rd to 31st October. Cost is €1,430. If you ever wished to see and experience where Jesus lived and ministered this may be your opportunity with a direct flight from Shannon. Booking forms for the remaining places are available from Fr. Tom Ryan, Shannon 087-2349816 or Fr. Brendan Quinlivan, Ennis 087-2736310

<u>DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK</u>: The annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock this year will take place on *Sunday 3rd July*, sharing with Ferns as we have in previous years. This year Killaloe diocese will lead the ceremonies. *Save the date – specific details will be announced at a later date.*

<u>CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING</u>: A main theme of Catholic Social Teaching is the **inherent value**, worth and dignity of each of God's human beings. Human dignity is something that can't be taken away. Catholic Social Teaching states that each and every person has value, are worthy of great respect and must be free from slavery, manipulation and exploitation. Catholic social teaching believes that human beings, created in the image and likeness of God (Genesis 1:26-27), have by their very existence an inherent value, worth, and distinction". Daniel Groody "Globalization, Spirituality and Justice" "How can it be that it is not a news item when an elderly homeless person dies of exposure, but it is news when the stock market loses two points? This is a case of exclusion." Pope Francis, Evangelii Gaudium

<u>DIOCESAN PASTORAL PLAN EVALUATION</u> - A mid-term evaluation of the implementation of the Diocesan Pastoral Plan is currently underway, and any parishioner who wishes can participate. An evaluation questionnaire is now available on the diocesan website for completion by 18th April, 2016.

<u>KILMALEY LOTTO</u>: Numbers Drawn 5, 15, 25, 27. No Jackpot Winner. **Jackpot next week will be €9,600---- County Board Ticket Winners**: Brian Tansey, Cisty Slattery, Liam Moloney, Noel Howard, Colette Cleary. Next Draw on Saturday 9th April. Play online at www.kilmaleygaa.ie

<u>PARISH CLEAN UP:</u> On Saturday 16th April, from 10.00am until 1.00pm. we are asking everybody in the parish to give 3 hours of their time to help clean up the parish. Refuse bags will be available at three locations in the parish, Connolly Church, Kilmaley Church and Inch Church. We would like all clubs in the parish to get involved and to show community spirit in the place we live in. We want the people of Kilmaley to make this event a community effort and social occasion, as is happening in many places throughout the country. We look forward to seeing a very big turn-out on the day.

LOUGH DERG JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY PILGRIMAGE SEASON opens on Sunday 1st May with One Day Retreats which continue on 2, 7, 8, 10, 14, 15, 17, 21, 22, 23, 28, 29 & 30 of May. Booking is essential. The Three Day Pilgrimage season begins on Wednesday 1st June. You may begin the Pilgrimage on any day between 1st June and 13th August. Pre-booking is not required for the Three Day Pilgrimage. Contact Lough Derg by telephone 071 9861518, email info@loughderg.org, www.loughderg.org.

<u>WEEKEND RETREAT IN THE BURREN 6TH - 8TH MAY:</u> Why not come on a guided journey to the most secret and sacred places in the Burren and let the silence and beauty of this unique landscape renew in body and soul? Further information from Mary at 087 970 1130/Nóirín at 087 9459151

<u>CYSTIC FIBROSIS - THANK YOU:</u> Clare Cystic Fibrosis Branch covey thanks to parishioners for their generosity at the recent Churchgate collections in the parish. The branch greatly appreciates their contribution. Funds from Churchgate collections go towards improving services for people with cystic fibrosis in Clare.

BENEFIT DANCE: A Benefit Dance in aid of Milford Hospice Limerick will take place in Magowna House Hotel on Friday Night 15th of April, Music will be provided by Danny Hunt. As a tribute to the late Tony Sharkey special guests on the night will be the Sharkey School of Dancing, Admission is €5, further details from Geraldine at 086 3957543.

TABLE QUIZ- INCH CRUSADERS F.C.: General Knowledge Table Quiz – in Magowna House Hotel, Inch on Friday 22nd April at 8.30pm **Teams of 3 – €30 per table**. Raffle on the Night – Top prize 2 tickets for Ireland v Holland Soccer Match. Great Fun and great prizes. MC Conor Clancy. All Welcome.

BACK TO EDUCATION INITIATIVE (BTEI) IS OFFERING QQI LEVEL 4 FOOD AND CATERING COURSE in the Adult Education Centre, Clonroad, Ennis starting in mid-April. This is a part-time course for adults who wish to develop their skills to work in the hospitality industry. Free Tuition to Social Welfare recipients and their dependents and Medical Card holders. If interested, call Eilis or Martina at 065-6897650 / 684-3633.

FLEADH CHEOIL NA HÉIREANN 2016: The Clare Volunteer Centre is looking for volunteers to form part of the team to welcome the 400,000 visitors to Ennis during Fleadh Cheoil na hÉireann 2016. There are many ways in which you can be involved as a volunteer from street ambassadors to venue assistants. If you are available from 14th August – 22nd August and would like to take this opportunity to be part of the Volunteer Fleadh Team, ring Sharon or Dolores on 065 68 66 800 or email <u>info@volunteerclare.ie</u>. Do something different for 2016 – be part of the Fleadh!

<u>FAMILY CARERS IRELAND</u> are providing the QQI Level 5 Activities of living patient care module in Shannon on the 04/04/2016. This is one of the elective modules towards the full QQI Healthcare Award. For more info or to express an interest kindly contact our training department on 0579370221

MOUNT CALLAN CHALLENGE - Sunday 17th April at 11.00am Base Camp: The Hand, Connolly. Meet @ 10.30am for 11.00am Start. Bring packed lunch/water and wear suitable walking/weather gear. Walk will be led. Organised by Doora Barefield Ladies Football Club.

<u>PART-TIME TEMPORARY HOME HELPS REQUIRED</u> FETAC Level 5 qualifications and full driving licence essential. Panel to be created. For application form please contact Mary Cosgrove, Home Help Manager, Clarecare Limited, Harmony Row, Ennis. Tel 065 6828178 or e-mail: m.cosgrove@clarecare.ie

<u>JIVE COURSE:</u> 5 week jive course starting in Miltown Malbay Hall on Thursday 14th April 2016. 9.00pm-10.30pm. Course info/reservations to Padraig via www.jiveireland.com or 087 181 2248.

<u>CAMOGIE NEWS</u>: Camog Óg has commenced and continues on Fridays 6-7pm Kilmaley GAA pitch (old field) new members are welcome 5 years or older. Training for other teams as follows: U10s, ages 9 and 10 Friday, 6pm − 7pm. U11s and U12s Thursday 4.45pm - 5.45pm in the old pitch. Contact for U11s and U12s is Angela Cahill 086 856 5354. We wish our U14s all the best this weekend when they play feile in first rounds of the 2016 competition at Eire Óg Ennis. Our U18s will commence their championship this Sunday with an away game to Whitegate Camogie. Membership is now due and must be paid before 15 April, otherwise a late fee applied. Individual Players €50 and Families €125.