

INCH-KILMALEY-CONNOLLY PARISH NEWSLETTER

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SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT “A” 12/3/2017

<u>MASSES:</u>			
Inch	Sun 12 th March @ 9.30am	Josie Coote, Inchmore	
		Tom & Pauline Killeen, Ivy Hill & Market St. Ennis	
	Fri 17 th March @ 9.30am	St. Patrick’s Day	
Connolly	Sun 19 th March @ 9.30am	Special Intention	
	Sun 12 th March @ 10.30am	Special Intention	
	Fri 17 th March @ 10.30am	St. Patrick’s Day	
Kilmaley	Sun 19 th March @ 10.30am	Special Intention	
	Sat 11 th March @ 7.30pm	Gerard & Alice Healy, Furroor	
		Jimmy Meehan, Culleen	
		Jack & Lil Davoren, Kilmaley	
	Sun 12 th March @ 11.30am	Special Intention	
	Thur 16 th March @ 7.30pm	Vigil St. Patrick’s Day	
	Fri 17 th March @ 11.30am	St. Patrick’s Day	
Sat 18 th March @ 7.30pm	Special Intention		
Sun 19 th March @ 11.30am	Special Intention		

FIRST RECONCILIATION/ CONFESSION: We ask you to remember the boys and girls who will receive the Sacrament of First Reconciliation from **Kilmaley School on Wednesday 15th March at 7.30pm in Kilmaley Church.**

FIRST RECONCILIATION/ CONFESSION: We ask you to remember in your prayers the boys & girls from **Connolly School** Keela Markham, Gemma Reidy, Lily Doherty, James Burke, Conor Lynch, Freddie Field who received the Sacrament of First Reconciliation / Confession during the past week.

ST. PATRICK’S DAY- LÁ FHÉILE PÁDRAIG: **Friday 17th March is the Feast of St. Patrick Patron Saint of our Land.** It is a Holyday of Obligation -- Mass Times on Thursday 16th March at 7.30pm in Kilmaley; **St. Patrick’s Day** - Inch 9.30am, Connolly 10.30am, Kilmaley 11.30am.

BAPTISM: We welcome into God’s family and the Christian Community **Cillian Noel Hogan, Tullassa, Ennis.** We congratulate his parents Seán and Orla and pray that God will always guide and protect him.

TRÓCAIRE - Last year our parish contributed **€2,200.** Trócaire boxes are available in all churches. We ask your generous support. **There will be Mass in Inch Church each Tuesday night at 7.30pm.**

ANNIVERSARY MASSES: March Group Anniversary Masses are as follows - **Kilmaley –Sat 11th at 7.30pm & Sun 26th at 11.30am Connolly- Sun 12th & Sun 26th at 10.30am.; Inch –Sun 12th & Sun 26th at 9.30am.**

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES: Connolly – No Mass on Mon or Tue, Wed @10.00am Kilmaley— Thur @ 10.00am Fri @ 11.30 am, Sat @ 10.00am.

MINISTRY OF THE WORD: Kilmaley - Thur 16th @ 7.30pm Ann Griffin Fri 17th @ 11.30am Deirdre Neylon
Sat 18th @ 7.30pm Mary Ita Griffin, Sun 19th @ 11.30am Ann O’Loughlin; Inch – Fri 17th @ 9.30am Martina O’Loughlin, Sun 19th @ 9.30am Moira Lawlor Connolly – Fri 17th @ 10.30am Roisin Ni Ceallaigh Sun 19th @ 10.30am Rose Fox

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 €830.60; Priests Collection €145; Catholic Social Services €96; St Patrick’s Day €3.80.**

TROCAIRE’S LENTEN CAMPAIGN: “But see how **Yahweh** watches over those who fear him, those who rely on his faithful love, to rescue them from death and keep them alive in famine.” *Psalms, 33:18-19.* Trócaire’s Lenten campaign 2017 focuses on the millions of people facing humanitarian catastrophe because of extreme weather or conflict. With the support of people in Ireland, Trócaire will deliver humanitarian aid to up to one million people in crisis this year. *More information at www.trocaire.org*

INTERNATIONAL CENTENNIAL PILGRIM IMAGE OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA: (Blessed by Pope Francis). Our Lady is calling you, as she is coming to Ennis Cathedral on **Friday 24th March for 10 am** Mass and consecration of the Diocese to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

POLAND PILGRIMAGE 20TH – 27TH JUNE – Ex Shannon Airport – Fully Escorted Pilgrimage. Contact: PREMIER TRAVEL on 021-4277700

CLARE HOSPICE AT CAHERCALLA: Weekly Draw Result – **1st Prize €650.00** – Mairead Neylon, Cahercalla. **2nd Prize €200.00** – Michelle Carkill, Kilfenora. To join contact Fundraising Office 065 --6821966 www.cahercalla.ie

SCOLÁIREACHTAÍ: There are six summer camp scholarships for primary school pupils from 3rd to 6th class to Scléip an tSamhraidh in Ennis worth €130 each. Interested pupils should give their names to the principal of their school before 6th of April.

HEARING HAPPENING HOPING: LENTEN REFLECTIONS ON THE WORD OF GOD. A great way of living Lent is to give some time to reflection and listening to God by spending time with the Word of God. Hearing Happening Hoping is a resource to help us to do this. It is a simple approach to reading the Word of God focused on the Lenten Sunday Gospels. It is written with a group in mind but can also be used individually by anyone interested in the Scripture. There is a page for each Sunday of Lent which is now available for download on the Diocesan Web Page, www.killaloe-diocese.ie The website also includes an explanatory page to help you get started.

SOCIAL MEDIA WORKSHOP: The Diocese is holding an evening workshop on “**The dangers of Social Media – Challenges for those working with children**”. The facilitator will be Dr Maureen Griffin who has great expertise in this area. The date is **Wednesday 5th April 2017 in the Oakwood Hotel in Shannon**, 6.30pm registration and tea / coffee, for start at 7.00pm to 9.30pm. We are offering places to all Priests, Safeguarding reps, those working with children in the Parish, i.e. Youth Ministry, pray and play, Altar server helpers etc. Parish Pastoral Councils or any interested adults. The cost of the evening will be €10. Contact Parish Office if interested in attending.

BAILIÚCHÁN LÁ ‘LE PÁDRAIG: Coiste Comórtha Mháiréad Ní Ghráda are holding a collection on Lá ‘le Pádraig to help defray the cost of scholarships for the pupils of the parish. We hope that you will give generously to this collection at all three churches of the parish.

6 SUNDAYS OF LENT AT GLENSTAL: Re-Reading the Parables of Luke in the light of the Lenten Practices of Prayer, Fasting and Alms Giving. Talks by invited guests and community members take place in the Monastery Library at 4.30pm followed by Refreshments and Vespers. Further information at 061-621000; [Email:events@glenstal.com](mailto:events@glenstal.com) or www.glenstal.com.

THE OPPORTUNITY OF A LIFETIME! TAKE TIME OFF FOR SOMETHING DIFFERENT: Teach English conversation to Third level students in China. Go with an Irish group! Financed by the Chinese University. If you have a third-level degree and some teaching skills you are probably eligible (ages 20-65). Sponsored by the Columban Fathers in Ireland. Two starting dates: March + September. Contact: aiteceireland@gmail.com.

CANCER SUPPORT: The Kilmaley Inn will be the venue on **Sunday night March 19th** for a fundraising dance in aid of Sláinte an Chlair, Clare Cancer Support, Kilnamona. Music will be provided by The Danny Hunt Band, Dancing will be from 9.30pm, Admission is €5.

KILMALEY LOTTO: Numbers Drawn 6, 17, 23, 31. No Jackpot Winner- Jackpot **Next Week €2,000**---- €30 Winners: Aoibhe Madden Doherty, Mary Malone, Tom Gleeson, Clodagh Madden, Edel Wall. Next Draw on Saturday 11th March. Play online at www.kilmaleygaa.ie

TULLA COMHALTAS CELEBRATES 60TH ANNIVERSARY - TULLA CÉILÍ BAND: On Saturday, March 18th at 8.00pm a Celebration Concert will be held at Tulla Courthouse with the world renowned Tulla Céilí Band topping the bill, with Storyteller/Singer, Joe Arkins, as Fear an Tí. Support Acts include The Tulóg Ceili Band who has won their third successive all Ireland title, Dance champion, Aine McDermott from Cavan and several other musicians including Sinéad Mulqueen, All Ireland Senior Concertina and Accompaniment Champion. Tickets from Custy’s Ennis, Tulla Pharmacy and the Music Room Tulla or by contacting 086 1522169 or 087 7973430.

BLOOD DONOR CLINIC: This will take place in the West County Hotel, Ennis on Mon 13th & Tue 14th March from 2-5 pm & on Wed 15th, Thur 16th, Mon 20th & Tue 21st March from 5 – 8 pm Please support.

HEALTH CARE ASSISTANTS (CARERS) required in the Clare area. QQI Level 5 in Health Care Support/Community Health or similar. Patient Moving & Handling. If currently studying for this award, applicants will also be considered. Experience required. **Contact:** Bluebird Care Clare on 065-6868222 or Email clare@bluebirdcare.ie

SHINE RELATIVES SUPPORT GROUP *meets in Ennis, 1st Thursday of the month at 8pm, Gate Lodge, Gort Rd.* If you are supporting a relative experiencing mental health issues and you would like support for yourself in a confidential and comfortable space please join us. Call Ann Marie, Shine RDO 087 7878 222 for further information.

THE MIGRAINE ASSOCIATION OF IRELAND will hold three Self-Help Group sessions in the Maldron Hotel, Limerick City on the evenings of **Thursday March 16th and 23rd 2017**. As places are limited to 15 max., registration is required. Light refreshments will be served. To book a place call 1850 200 378 or email info@migraine.ie

SAGE ARE LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS to help support people in their local communities, hospitals and nursing homes. Contact Sadhbh Dunne to register for an information evening in Limerick on 6th April: sadhbh.dunne@sage.thirdageireland.ie or (01) 536 7335. See our website for more information on our volunteer roles: www.thirdageireland.ie/sage

CYSTIC FIBROSIS ASSOCIATION - CLARE BRANCH: Annual Church gate collection will take place in the Parish at all three churches on weekend of **18th / 19th March**. All support would be appreciated.

INCH CRUSADERS FC would like to thank everyone for the amazing support shown of our Annual Quiz Night making it a great night. We would also like to thank all those who so generously contributed prizes for the raffle on the night. The club really appreciates all the support it received on the night.

MAKE A WISH: are looking for local people to volunteer 2 to 3 hours of their time to help out with our National collection day in Ennis on Friday, 31st March. Please help Make A Wish continue making memories that last many lifetimes. Contact: Sue Cave on 087 9740397 to register or more information.