INCH-KILMALEY-CONNOLLY PARISH NEWSLETTER

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PALM SUNDAY "Year C" 20th March, 2016 Masses: Sun 20th March, @ 9.30am Ann Maher, Knock Inch: Christy Slattery, Shantulla Thur 24th March, 9.00pm Holy Thursday Fri 25th March, 7.30pm Good Friday – Celebration of Lord's Passion Sun 27th March, 9.30am **Easter Sunday – Special Intention Connolly:** Sun 20th March, 10.30am Palm Sunday – Special Intention Thur 24th March, 7.30pm **Holy Thursday** Fri 25th March, 3.00pm Good Friday – Celebration of Lord's Passion Sat 26th March, 9.00pm **Easter Vigil** Sun 27th March, 10.30am **Easter Sunday – Special Intention Kilmaley:** Sat 19th March, 7.30pm Frank Healy, Furroor, 1st Anniversary Sun 20th March, 11.30am Susan Cabey, Cahermore Michael O'Malley, Cappalea North Mary Monahan, Shean Martin Monahan, Shean M.V. Hehir, Ballyillaun Thur 24th March, 7.30pm Holy Thursday Fri 25th March, 3.00pm Good Friday – Celebration of Lord's Passion Sat 26th March, 9.00pm **Easter Vigil** Sun 27th March, 11.30am **Easter Sunday – Special Intention**

HOLY WEEK CERMONIES: Holy Thursday: Connolly 7.30pm - Kilmaley 7.30pm - Inch 9pm;

Good Friday: Connolly 3pm - Kilmaley 3pm - Inch 7.30pm; Easter Saturday Night: Easter Vigil --- Kilmaley and Connolly at 9pm; Easter Sunday: Inch 9.30am - Connolly 10.30am - Kilmaley 11.30am

EASTER RECONCILITION SERVICE: There will be an opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation/Confession in preparation for the celebration of Easter in Connolly Church on Tuesday 22nd March at 8pm. We encourage and welcome you to join us for this special time of prayer and God's loving forgiveness in this Year of Mercy.

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 ask you to return your Trócaire contributions on Good Friday or during any of the Holy Week Cermonies. Last year our Parish contributed €2,463 so hopefully we can do as good this year. Many thanks in advance for your support.

COMMUNION CALLS FOR EASTER: Fr. Pat will visit his Communion Calls on Holy Thursday at the usual times.

THANK YOU: The O' Halloran Family, Sixmilebridge would like to thank all who sent Mass, Prayers & Get Well Cards for Shéamus during his illness. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for their intentions.

KILLALOE DIOCESAN YOUTH COUNCIL (KDYC) has been asked by Trócaire to Celebrate Holy Thursday Mass on RTE OneTelevision at 4:40p.m. The group have been delighted to accept Trócaire's request. Fr. Jerry Carey, P.P. Doora-Barefield will be the celebrant.

TRÓCAIRE LENTEN CAMPAIGN 2016: "Do not work for food that goes bad, but work for food that endures for eternal life..." John 6:27. As we prepare to celebrate Holy Week, we remember all those in the developing world supported by Trócaire who have been given another chance in life through the generosity of people in Ireland. Edward and Nancy Njuki in Kenya are just one such couple whose lives have been changed by a simple irrigation scheme. 'We are so happy now compared to before and our children have a brighter future,' said Nancy. Join the fight for justice at www.trocaire.org WEEKDAY MASS TIMES: Connolly – Mon, Tue, Wed @10.00am

MINISTRY OF THE WORD: Kilmaley - Sat 26th March 9.00 pm Mary Griffey; Sun 27th March @ 11.30am Éadaoin Hennessy Inch - Sun 27th @ 9.30am Brid Higgins Connolly – Sun 27th @ 10.30am Roisin Ní Ceallaigh

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 €861.30; Priests Collection €125; Catholic Social Services €71.70; Lourdes €2; St. Patrick's Day €52; Epiphany €3;

CONSULTATION ON EDUCATION: The National Council of Curriculum and Assessment have invited submissions on the teaching of ethics in our schools. Written proposals may be sent to ERB and Ethics Consultation, National Council of Curriculum and Assessment, 35 Fitzwilliam Square, Dublin 2 or emailed to info@ncca.ie or online www.ncca.ie/consultation.erbe. The closing date is 31st March, 2016. Catholic schools currently make provision for interreligious and inter-cultural learning and awareness in terms of their policies, ethos, leadership, the programme in religious education and across other curricular areas. This commitment to inter-religious and inter-cultural dialogue is clearly outlined in the new religious Education Curriculum for Ireland and in the Veritas programme Grow in Love.

JUSTICE AND PEACE: CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING Catholic Social Teaching is based on the belief that God has a plan for creation, a plan to build his kingdom of peace, love and justice. It holds that God has a special place in this story for each of us, whoever we are. Our part in this plan isn't just limited to things 'spiritual', or things we might do on Sundays, but that it involves every aspect of our lives, from the things we pray about, to how we live as a responsible global citizen. As we come near to Holy Week we might ask ourselves how does my faith shape my week. Is my faith living in the world as well as in the church?

<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 \in 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 \in 585. Application forms for assisted pilgrims to Fr Tom Ryan Shannon Pilgrimage Director on 061-364133.

<u>TIME FOR A NEW CHALLENGE</u>? Volunteer as a Facilitator with ACCORD Catholic Marriage Care Service If you feel that you have something to offer to people who are preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage and you are willing to give up some voluntary time to train in this area then we, in the ACCORD Ennis Centre, would be delighted to hear from you. *Certificate in Marriage Education accredited by Pontifical University, Maynooth.* For information pack please email us at: <u>accord.ennis@eircom.net</u> by Friday 25th March. Tel: 065-6824297

MEDITATION FOR HOLY WEEK: A special meditation with movement, music, images and reflection on Wednesday at 7.30pm in St Anthony's Hall, Francis St. All are welcome. Mary 087 9701130

SCHOLÁIREACHTAÍ MHAIRÉAD NÍ GHRÁDA 2016: To commemorate the 1916 Rising, the above committee are offering 3 Gaeltacht scholarships to Post Primary school pupils of the parish to the value of €700 each; one to each school area. Each pupil will be entitled to a three week course at their choice of Gaeltacht. Those interested should give their names to the Principal of their school area before the 6th April to be included in the draw for the above. On that day a draw for 6 Scléip an tSamhraidh scholarships, for Primary school pupils will take place.

SCOLÁIREACHTAÍ: There are three 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 April.

<u>FUNDRAISING DANCE</u>: A Fundraising Dance in aid of the **Clare Hospice at Cahercalla** will take place in the **Kilmaley Inn** on this Sunday night March 20th starting at 9.30pm. Music will be provided by Shay O'Callaghan & Admission is €5

<u>KILMALEY LOTTO</u>: Numbers Drawn 16, 19, 28, 29. No Jackpot Winner. Jackpot next week will be €9,300 ---- €30 Winners -Mary Griffey, Niamh Lyons, Sam Wall, Hannah Griffey, Caoimhe Frawley. Next Draw on Saturday 19th March. Play online at www.kilmaleygaa.ie

<u>CLARE HAVEN SERVICES INSIGHTS PROGRAMME</u> - A free and confidential weekly programme for women who are or have been in an abusive domestic relationship will commence in Ennis in early April. For further information, please contact Clare Haven Services on <u>065 6842646</u>.

DERRY YOUTH COMMUNITY - Are you a young person aged between 18 and 25? Are you interested in a Gap Year experience with a difference? The DYC is a group of committed young people who live in community, based in Derry City, who serve the Diocese of Derry. You will live in a structured, secure environment, from where you will be given the opportunity to reach out to other young people in schools and parishes to facilitate faith-based activities and youth ministry. You will also live in mutual co-operation with others; explore and deepen your faith; participate and share in leisure activities such as music, art, sport and drama. If you feel you are equal to the very real challenges of the initiative, more information is available on <u>www.derryyouthcommunity.com</u>. Closing date for applications is 27th May 2016.

FARM PLASTIC COLLECTION. All farm waste collected and recycled. Certs provided on day of collection. Services also provided Asbestos Removal, Stone delivery and Excavator hire. Please call Sharon <u>0894366162</u>

<u>CHARITY RIDE IN AID OF CLARE SUICIDE BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT</u>: Enjoy a Hack and Cross Country Ride around Quin and surrounding areas this **Sunday March 20th at 12.30pm from Quin Village. Jumping is optional**. It is suitable for all levels of Horse, Pony and Riders. Entries will be taken on the day. Entry: Horse €25, Pony €10; Refreshments available afterwards in Monks Well, Quin.

<u>CLARE LOCAL DEVELOPMENT COMPANY</u> are pleased to announce that from 'FARM TO FORK' a Horticulture Course will be running in Miltown Malbay for 40 weeks from 25th April. The course will contain a mix of academic and practical subjects leading to a QQI major Award in Horticulture and is designed to provide learners with the knowledge, skill and attitudes to follow a career in Horticulture. Participants must be long-term unemployed and in receipt of a Social Welfare Payment. For further information, please contact 086 6866800.

<u>CLARE BURREN MARATHON CHALLENGE - SAT MAY 28TH</u>: The Burren, Ballyvaughan, Co. Clare. Choice of Full, Half & 10K Mini marathons. Walk - Jog - Run, both on and off road, across the beautiful Burren terrain. Entry options & info: <u>http://www.clareburrenmarathonchallenge.com/</u> or phone 087 7779714. Charity Groups, individuals, runners, walkers - everyone welcome to take part.

APOSTOLIC WORK SOCIETY (KILMALEY) founded in 1991 will celebrate its 25th Anniversary this year at its Annual Display of finished work completed by various members throughout the winter at *Inch National School on 1st May, 2016*. On the day there will also be a display of sacred vessels if you would like to have a loved one remembered by donating a sacred vessel in memory of them for use in the missions please contact Maureen O'Rourke, at 6839054. The society also collects used stamps. **Notices for Newsletter to Fr. Larkin by 12 Noon on Thursdays**