

# INCH-KILMALEY-CONNOLLY PARISH NEWSLETTER

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## SECOND SUNDAY LENT “Year C” 21<sup>st</sup> February, 2016

<b>MASSES:</b>	<b>Inch</b>	<b>Sun 21<sup>st</sup> February, @ 9.30am</b>	<b>Prayer Ritual First Holy Communion</b>
		Mon 22 <sup>nd</sup> February, @ 7.30pm	First Reconciliation/Confession
		Tue 23 <sup>rd</sup> February, 7.30pm	Mass for Lent
		Sun 28 <sup>th</sup> February, @ 9.30am	Special Intention
	<b>Connolly</b>	<b>Sun 21<sup>st</sup> February, @ 10.30am</b>	<b>Prayer Ritual First Holy Communion</b>
		Thur 25 <sup>th</sup> February, @ 1.30pm	First Reconciliation/Confession
		Sun 28 <sup>th</sup> February, @ 10.30am	Special Intention
	<b>Kilmaley</b>	<b>Sat 20<sup>th</sup> February, @ 7.30pm</b>	<b>Prayer Ritual First Holy Communion</b>
		Sun 21 <sup>st</sup> February, @ 11.30am	Patsy McGuane, Lisroe (Month’s Mind)
		Fri 26 <sup>th</sup> February, @ 7.30pm	Michael Hehir, Shean (1 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary)
		<b>Sat 27<sup>th</sup> February, @ 7.30pm</b>	<b>Eucharistic Adoration – Mass Thanksgiving</b>
		Sun 28 <sup>th</sup> February, @ 11.30am	Dan & Maureen Lynch, Lisroe Tony McElroy, Knockatunna Bridget & Patrick O’Sullivan, Knockatunna

**FIRST RECONCILIATION/ CONFESSION:** We ask you to remember the boys and girls who will receive the Sacrament of First Reconciliation during the coming week. **Inch School on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7.30pm in Inch Church; Connolly School on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> at 1.30pm in Connolly Church.**

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:** A sincere thanks to all who are part of Eucharistic Adoration in our Parish. It is now over a year since this special time of Prayer started. **We extend a warm welcome to all Adorers to join us in Kilmaley Church on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> Feb at 7.30pm for a special Mass of Thanksgiving.**

**SYMPATHY:** We offer our sympathy, support and prayers to the family, relatives and friends of **Emily Meaney, Boloughera, Lissycasey** mother of Ann Grace, Mahonburgh & Martina Custy, Knock, **Teresa Staunton (nee Kennedy) Westmeath** formerly **Connolly** sister of Sean Kennedy, Connolly buried during the week. **Kathleen Spellissy, Kilclogher** funeral mass this Sunday at 1pm in Kilmaley Church followed by burial in Mount Temple Cemetery.

**LENTEN REFLECTIONS:** A one page reflection on each Sunday Gospel called **Hearing, Happening, Hoping** can be downloaded from the Killaloe Diocesan website <http://www.killaloe-diocese.ie/diocesan-news/hearing-happening-hoping-2016.html>. The first three Sundays are available now, weeks four, five and six will be available later.

**TRÓCAIRE LENTEN CAMPAIGN 2016:** “Do your utmost to support your faith with goodness, goodness with understanding...” 2 *Peter* 1:5. This year’s Trócaire Box features supporters from Ireland who are doing extraordinary things in the pursuit of justice and a fairer world. They cannot ignore poverty and they want to make a difference in whatever way they can. When you support Trócaire you are not just giving, you are joining the fight for justice. To find out how to help at [www.trocaire.org/lent](http://www.trocaire.org/lent)

**WEEKDAY MASS TIMES:** Connolly – Mon, Tue, Wed @10am Kilmaley - Thur, Fri, Sat @10am

**MINISTRY OF THE WORD:** Kilmaley – Sat 27<sup>th</sup> @ 7.30pm Leanne McMahon; Sun 28<sup>th</sup> @ 11.30am Brian Flynn

Inch - Sun 28<sup>th</sup> @ 9.30am Siobhan Barry

Connolly – Sun 28<sup>th</sup> @ 10.30am Roisin Ni 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 €726.70; Priests Collection €728; Epiphany €12; Catholic Social Services €12; Sick & Retired Priests’ Fund €20; St. Patrick’s Day €9; Trócaire €50;**

**SHRINES OF ITALY-PADUA & LAKE MAGGIORE, 15<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST – 7 NIGHTS.** Visit the Basilica of St Anthony, tomb of St Leopold Mandie. Optional day trip to Venice. Visit St Mark’s Square and St Mark’s Basilica. **For Detailed Itinerary:** Fr Pat Larkin 087 2300627 or 065 6839735 or Mary O Loughlin 087 2482528 or 065 7084000

**LENTEN TALKS 2016 DOMINICAN CHURCH, LIMERICK** presents *Prophetic Voices - past and present* in this year’s Lenten Talks we listen to two voices that speak out to us from the past and two voices that speak out to us today. Tuesday 23 Feb **Time: 7.30pm Donation of €5 invited.** Entrance on Dominic Street to the hall adjoining the side of the church, opposite Costello’s pub. **JOHN HENRY NEWMAN – HIS PROPHETIC JOURNEY.** Dermot Mansfield is an Irish Jesuit, ordained in 1976, who has been mainly involved in retreat work and spiritual direction. He acts as an assistant priest in St Gabriel’s parish, Dollymount, Clontarf. His interest in Newman goes back over 50 years. He is the author of ‘Heart Speaks to Heart - the Story of Blessed John Henry Newman’ which was published in 2010 by Veritas.

**KNOCK SHRINE:** Knock has a series of retreats, workshops and talks over the coming months, all aimed at helping people to re-engage with their faith and look once again at the role of God in our lives. There is something to interest everyone, all parishioners are **invited to Knock Shrine on March 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> for a special weekend event to celebrate the Jubilee of Mercy.**

**FOYER OF LIGHT, CHARITY & LOVE:** 5 Day Silent Retreat: **March 28<sup>th</sup> to April 3<sup>rd</sup> 2016** Cost: €380 full board. Theme: “If you but knew the gift of God...” Preached by Fr. Kilian Byrne. Venue: Esker Retreat Centre, Athenry, Co. Galway. Contact: Helen: 086 1678027, [www.foyerofcharity.ie](http://www.foyerofcharity.ie). The retreats address those who search for God, or who wish to progress in their life of faith and prayer

**SOCIAL JUSTICE IRELAND:** Dr Seán Healy, Director of Social Justice Ireland, will deliver a talk entitled **Building a Just Society on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> February.** Social Justice Ireland works to advance the lives of people and communities through providing independent social analysis and effective policy development to create a sustainable future for society and its members. **The lecture commences at 7pm and will take place in T1 18, TARA Building, Mary Immaculate College. Free admission and everyone welcome.**

**BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT INFORMATION EVENING** will take place in Milford Care Centre on **Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2016 from 7-8.30pm**. The bereavement information evening is designed to give general information on grief and bereavement to bereaved people, their family and friends. Members of the Bereavement Service will be in attendance to provide general information on grief and bereavement. The evening will comprise of: Short talk by members of the Bereavement Service, Different experiences of Grief, Services available and Question Time. The information evening is Free.

**MEDITATION WITH MOVEMENT** and beautiful inspirational music. Meditation with a difference on Wednesday 24th February in St Anthony's Hall, Francis St at 7.30pm. All are welcome. Further information: Mary at 087 9701130

**HEALING PROGRAMME FOR PEOPLE BEREAVED BY SUICIDE**. Are you finding it difficult to cope with the death by suicide of a family member or friend? You could get help at a Healing Programme organised by Clare Suicide Bereavement Support at their premises in Innovation House (near Liddys), Roslevan Centre, Tulla Rd. Ennis **starting at 8pm on Monday, 29th February and continuing for eight consecutive Mondays**. Please feel welcome to come and meet others in the same position as yourself. For further information phone 087 3698315. or 086 0565373. [www.claresuicidebereavementsupport.com](http://www.claresuicidebereavementsupport.com)

**MUNSTER RALLY FOR LIFE**: The first ever Munster Rally for Life will take place on Saturday February 27th, assembling on The Grand Parade, Cork at 2pm. Join us in a celebration of life and to call for the protection of mothers & babies from abortion. See [www.munsterrallyforlife.com](http://www.munsterrallyforlife.com) and [www.facebook.com/MunsterRallyforLife](http://www.facebook.com/MunsterRallyforLife). There will be a special mass - presided over by Bishop John Buckley - before the rally, at 1.15pm in St. Peter & Paul's Church, Cork. Bus from Co. Clare - contact Maria on 087 6217702.

**KILMALEY LOTTO**: Numbers Drawn **5, 9, 14, 17**. No Jackpot Winner. **Jackpot next week will be €8,900**--- €30 Winners- Peter McDonald, Kieran Cullinan, Michael Sexton, Tina O'Gorman, Aishling Connellan. Next Draw on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> February. Play online at [www.kilmaleygaa.ie](http://www.kilmaleygaa.ie)

**KILMALEY TIDY TOWNS**: A meeting will be held this **MONDAY FEBRUARY 22<sup>nd</sup> in Kilmaley Inn at 8.30pm** for those interested in entering in Tidy Towns Competition. Connolly has been part of the national tidy towns for many years with great success as can be seen in the village. We can do the same in Kilmaley with a little effort from all of us and support from Clare County Council. Please come and help brighten our parish give us pride in our place.

**ENROLMENT – KILMALEY N.S.**: If you wish to enrol your child in Kilmaley N.S. for the 2016/2017 school year, please contact the school at 065 6839360 by 16<sup>th</sup> March to facilitate enrolment.

**KILMALEY GAA MEMBERSHIP** for 2016 can now be paid online at [www.kilmaleygaa.ie](http://www.kilmaleygaa.ie) or a completed membership form with subscription fee can be returned to any club officer or team manager. The subscription fee remains the same as last year €100 for a family, €60 for an adult player, €40 for a juvenile player and €30 for a non-playing adult. Any player that does not pay his membership by 1<sup>st</sup> March will not be eligible to play for the club in 2016. Any adult member that wishes to attend and vote at the AGM in 2016 must also have their membership fee paid by the 1st March 2016.

**CLARE PARKINSON'S SUPPORT GROUP Newmarket-on-Fergus at 10.00am on the last Friday of each month**. The aim of the Support Group is to be a source of help and information for people with Parkinson's, their families and carers. Meetings, which are informal, provide a chance to talk and discuss worries and experiences and may include a presentation by an invited speaker, such as a healthcare professional or complementary therapist. The next Parkinson's Support Group meeting is on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> February. For further information contact Frank at 086 370 2207

**CLARE ICA HOST THEIR FIRST FASHION SHOW in support of Bushy Park in Woodstock Hotel on Friday 26th February**. Doors open 7pm with many pop up shops, Door Prize, Best Dressed Prize and Raffle. Fashion show at 8pm. Tickets are available from Secretary Aisling Finn 085 170 5735 or from Woodstock Hotel.

**SLÁINTE AN CHLÁIR, CLARE CANCER SUPPORT, KILNAMONA CENTRE** is having a talk with questions and answers on **nutrition** for people with cancer. Saturday, Feb 27th, 11am. Tel: 087 6912396

**TABLE QUIZ CLARE CRUSADERS FUNDRAISER**: The Cloughleigh branch of Comhaltas and Woodstock set dancers will host a table quiz for the Clare Crusaders Clinic at Woodstock Golf and Country Club on Thursday, 25th February at 8pm. Table of four €20. All support greatly appreciated.

**RESEARCH GATEKEEPERS REQUESTED FOR A STUDY**: Do you know a single gentleman aged 85 years or over who is living alone in rural Munster? Would he be interested in talking about his day to day life which will involve at least two visits? If so, please contact John Hastings at [j.hastings@ucc.ie](mailto:j.hastings@ucc.ie) or on 021 420 5308. This research will explore how single men from the oldest old generation who are living in rural areas tell stories about and carry out their day to day activities.

**COMMUNITY GAMES**: Anyone interested in Inch/Kilmaley//Connolly Community Games **Girls and Boys U13 Basketball** please contact **Deirdre Neylon on 087 643 3021**. Training commences on Wed 24th February at Ennis National School from 5.30pm - 6.30pm. Also Closing date for **Talent Competition is 21<sup>st</sup> February 2016**. The Competition is fixed for the 13<sup>th</sup> March. The following are the events for Talent. **Group Dance Irish Contemporary U12 Boys/Girls/Mixed - Group Dance Irish Contemporary U16 Boys/Girls/Mixed - Group Dance(Modern & Disco) U12 Boys/Girls/Mixed - Group Dance(Modern & Disco) U16 Boys/Girls/Mixed - Group Music U12 Boys/Girls/Mixed- Group Music U16 Boys/Girls/Mixed - Group Singing U12 Boys/Girls/Mixed - Group Singing U16 Boys/Girls/Mixed - Solo Dance(Modern & Disco) U12 Boys/Girls - Solo Dance(Modern & Disco) U16 Boys/Girls - Solo Music U16 Boys/Girls - Solo Music U12 Boys/Girls - Solo Recitation U12 Boys/Girls - Solo Recitation U16 Boys/Girls - Solo Singing U12 Boys/Girls - Solo Singing U16 Boys/Girls**. Please Contact **Connie Cahill on 086 8869785 with any queries**

**DRAFT CLARE COUNTY DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2017 – 2023**: The closing date for submissions in relation to this plan is 4.00pm Monday, 29<sup>th</sup> February, 2016. Particular emphasis should be placed on the issues of wind-turbines in and near the parish and the proposed piped hydro-electric scheme on Mount Callan.

Submissions can be e-mailed to [forwardplan@clarecoco.ie](mailto:forwardplan@clarecoco.ie) or posted to Planning and Enterprise Development Department, Clare County Council, Aras Contae an Chlair, New Road, Ennis, Co. Clare. Alternatively, submissions can be handed delivered to Clare County Council.

**“The mercy of God is not an abstract idea, but a concrete reality through which he reveals his love as that of a father or a mother, moved to the very depths out of love for their child. (This love) is full of tenderness and compassion, indulgence and mercy”. (The Face of Mercy- Pope Francis)**