

INCH-KILMALEY-CONNOLLY PARISH NEWSLETTER

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34th Sunday Ordinary Time "Year B" Feast of Christ the king 22nd November, 2015

MASSES:	Inch	Sun 22 nd Nov @ 9.30am	James & Mary Ellen Griffey & Family, Inchmore Michael Collins, Knock Paddy Power, Ivy Hill Joe & Kitty Maher, Inchmore Pat Hehir, Gortmore
		Tue 24 th Nov @ 7.30pm	Mass of Remembrance – All who died during the Year.
		Sun 29 th Nov @ 9.30am	Special Intention
	Kilmaley	Sat 21 st Nov @ 7.30pm	Special Intention
		Sun 22 nd Nov @ 11.30am	Liz O'Sullivan, Boulavreene Christina O'Sullivan, Boulavreene Patrick & Delia Haren, Cappalea Brid Culligan, Cragroe Mick Stephens, Letteragh
		Sat 28 th Nov @ 7.30pm	Special Intention
		Sun 29 th Nov 11.30am	Special Intention
	Connolly	Sun 22 nd Nov @ 10.30am	Helen & Patrick Moloney, Renagisha Tom Scanlon, Connolly John Maguire, Connolly
		Sun 29 th Nov @ 10.30am	Special Intention

SYMPATHY: We offer our sympathy, support & prayers to the family, relatives and friends of **John Joseph Custy (J.J.) Bristol, England & formerly Kyleatunna** brother of Michael Custy, died during the week. We offer our sympathy, support & prayers to the family, relatives & friends of **Richard (Dick) O'Brien, Kilworth, Cork** brother of Willie O'Brien, Derrynacarragh & Gerard O'Brien, Drimanure who died during the week.

THANK YOU: We acknowledge with thanks the gift of a **Communion Pyx for use in Connolly Church donated in memory of the Crawford Family, Feighroe, Connolly by Mike & Bridie Crawford, Chicago & Feighroe, Connolly**

CHRISTMAS FOOD GIVING MASS: Christmas is quickly approaching and on Saturday 5th December Santa will be at the Vigil Mass in Kilmaley to collect for the **Annual Christmas Food Appeal which will take place on the Weekend of 5th / 6th December**. Parishioners are asked to donate non-perishable food item(s) to give to families throughout Clare who are in need this Christmas. Collection Boxes will be provided in all three Churches. In our support of this appeal we are making sure it will be Happy Christmas for many others. **Hamper items which would be useful - tea bags, coffee, sugar, selection boxes, minerals, biscuits, soaps, jam, baked beans / peas, cereals, custard, crackers, creamed rice, shampoo, toilet rolls, tinned fruit, soup, jelly, baby food, nappies, spaghetti, noodles, tayto. All items will be distributed through Clarecare.**

MASS OF REMEMBRANCE: The Mass of Remembrance for all those who died in the Parish during the past year will take place in **Inch Church on Tuesday 24th November at 7.30 p.m.** All family members are invited to join with us in this special time of Prayer & please extend an invitation to family who are living away from the parish. **All are welcome for a cuppa and refreshments in Inch School after Mass.**

REMEMBRANCE MASS - KILMALEY N.S.: A Special Mass of Remembrance for all our beloved dead organised by the staff and pupils of Kilmaley N.S. will take place in Kilmaley Church on **Thurs 26th November at 10am. All are welcome.**

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES: Connolly – Mon, Tue, Wed @ 10 a.m. Kilmaley – Thur, Fri, Sat @ 10 a.m.

MINISTRY OF THE WORD: Kilmaley - Sat 28th Nov @ 7.30pm **Mary Ita Griffin** Sun 29th Nov @ 11.30am **Éadaoin Hennessy**
Inch - Sun 29th Nov @ 9.30am **Brid Higgins** Connolly – Sun 29th Nov @ 10.30am **Noeleen Doherty**

SENIOR CITIZENS CHRISTMAS PARTY: The annual Church Gate collection will be held next **Saturday 28th and Sunday 29th November, at all three churches to help raise funds for this year's Christmas Party for Senior Citizens which will be held on the 6th December at Woodstock Hotel, commencing at 12.30pm.** Please support.

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 €617.70; Priests Collection €145; Missions €15.50 (Missions to date € 678.70); Assumption €2; All Saints €23; Sick & Retired Priests Fund €5;**

MATT TALBOT NOVENA – SHANNON –FINAL The nine week annual Novena praying for all suffering or sharing in the life of addictions, comes to a conclusion this Tuesday November 24th at 7pm, in SS John & Paul Church, Shannon. The Preacher for this evening will be **Ms. Denise Dunne, Service Manager, Clare Haven.** The Novena can be viewed each week live on line at www.shannonparish.ie where petitions can also be sent to the special online petition form. A warm welcome awaits all.

HOLY YEAR OF MERCY: Pope Francis has announced a *Holy Year of Mercy* beginning on 8 December next. The Diocese has invited Fr Dermot Ryan, St Kieran's College, Kilkenny to introduce us to the year. He will give a talk entitled '*Pope Francis and Mercy - A worldly weakness, a Christian Strength*' at St Flannan's College, Ennis on **Monday 14 December at 8pm** All welcome.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND: In response to Pope Francis call to the Year of Mercy, the Diocese of Killaloe is organising a Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Holy Land, direct from Shannon Airport to Tel Aviv for 8 days, departing on **Sunday 23rd October 2016 and returning direct to Shannon on Monday 31st October**. The cost will be €1430, half board, including all taxes, coaches and tips. There will be 147 places available to the Diocese. Booking forms can now be obtained from Fr. Tom Ryan Shannon 061-364133 or Fr. Brendan Quinlivan in Ennis Cathedral 065-6824043. The form can also be downloaded from the Killaloe Diocese website www.killaloediocese.ie. A Pilgrimage to the Holy Land is for many people a once in a lifetime opportunity that brings the story of the Gospel alive. Families often sponsor or present as a gift for Christmas, anniversaries or special occasion a family member with a ticket or some financial support towards the ticket. The last Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Holy Land was in 2008.

SEAN KEANE: CHRISTMAS BY THE HEARTH WITH CONNOLLY N.S: Connolly N.S. will be in concert with Seán Keane in Glór on **Thursday 3rd of December @ 8pm**. Tickets can be booked through the school or through Glór box office

KILMALEY LOTTO: Numbers Drawn 8, 12, 20, 29. No Jackpot Winner. Jackpot next week will be €7,600 ---- €30 Winners-Killian MacNamara, Michael Hickey, Clara Slattery, Brid O'Kelly, Brid Mc Gough. Next Draw on Saturday 21st November. Play online at www.kilmaleygaa.ie

THE DIOCESE OF KILLALOE IS ORGANISING A PILGRIMAGE TO ROME during the Holy Year from 1 August to 6 August 2016. Accommodation will be at the Pontifical Irish College in the city centre. There will be an opportunity to attend a liturgy with Pope Francis and to walk through the holy doors in all four Papal Basilicas. The pilgrimage is being organised by Kieran Troy and a guide will be available through-out. **The total cost per person sharing is €849**. For further information Telephone 057 9355050 (mornings only) or e mail info@culturalconnections.eu

REGINA NATHAN CHRISTMAS CONCERT: Regina is delighted to be returning to Ennis for her annual Christmas concert which will take place in **St. Columba's Church of Ireland, Bindon Street on Saturday 5th December at 8.00pm**. Regina will perform a delightful selection of popular songs, arias, musical theatre and Christmas favourites and will be joined again this year by pianist (and internationally-renowned accompanist) Linnhe Robertson. Tickets: €20 [includes seasonal refreshments!]

BEREAVED BY SUICIDE: November and the period leading up to Christmas is a difficult time for people grieving the loss of a loved one who has died by suicide. Clare Suicide Bereavement Support volunteers are available to help you. Support and help is only a phone call away. You could phone us at one of our numbers given below and we will take it from there. We promise complete confidentiality. 086 0565373, 087 3698315, www.claresuicidebereavementsupport.com

REQUIRED FOR CLARE YOUTH SERVICE COMMUNITY EMPLOYMENT PROJECT: Clerical Assistant: Administration/Secretarial Duties -Vacancy No:975169; Catering Assistant:- Food Preparation / Food Service - Vacancy No: 978279. Department of Social Protection criteria applies Further details contact - Tina Byrt 6845357

OPEN AL-ANON MEETING: Have you been affected by someone else's drinking? If so, help is available. **Open Public Al-Anon Meeting on Thursday, 26th November at 8:00pm** in the new Ennis Parish Centre, Station Road, Ennis. Please come, listen and share a cup of tea. Everybody welcome!

GORTA - THANK YOU: The organisers of this collection would like to thank all who contributed so generously. A total of €400 was collected at the four parish masses in the collection taken up on the week-end 7th / 8th November

CLARE PARKINSON'S SUPPORT GROUP: You are invited to join the **Clare Parkinson's Support Group** at **Carrigoran Health & Wellness Centre, Newmarket-on-Fergus** at 10.00 am on the last Friday of each month. The aim of this Support Group is to meet unmet needs for social support and be an additional source of help and information for people with Parkinson's, their families and carers. The Clare Parkinson's Support Group also arrange various activities that assist people living with Parkinson's such as Yoga, Dance and Tai Chi classes, outings and information meetings. There is a social aspect to each meeting including mid morning tea/coffee with freshly baked homemade scones! **The next Parkinson's Support Group meeting is on Friday 27th November. For further information call 087 415 8430.**

CONFERENCE ON CLIMATE CHANGE: The upcoming *Conference on climate change, November 30th-11th in Paris and Pope Francis Encyclical Laudato Si* challenge us all to care for our home, the earth. Perhaps next week we might pray the following prayer for the success of the conference.

"Loving God, you are the Creator and Father of all. You are present in the whole universe and in the smallest of your creatures. May we recognise you in all things as we walk gently upon your Earth. Help us all to play our part in protecting the world, and give special courage and strength to our leaders during the climate change conference, and may we all learn to care for our common home. Amen".

PARISH MAGAZINE: The 2015 Parish Magazine is going ahead. Organisations within the parish are asked to get their articles ready as soon as possible. Photographs should be captioned. More information in next week's newsletter.