

INCH-KILMALEY-CONNOLLY PARISH NEWSLETTER

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FIFTH SUNDAY EASTER “Year C” 24th April, 2016

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| MASSES: | Inch | Sun 24 th April, 9.30am Sun 1 st May, 11.30am | Maisie Kennedy, Ivy Hill Silver Jubilee – Apostolic Works Society |
| | Connolly | Sun 24 th April, 10.30am Sun 1 st May, 11.30am | Special Intention Bridie Moloney, Connolly |
| | Kilmaley | Sat 23 rd April, 7.30pm Sun 24 th April, 11.30am | Special Intention Maria Ryan, Kilclogher Mary Neylon, Culleen Johnny McMahon, Kilclogher Tommy Haren, Lecarrow John Hehir, Lahaknock |
| | | Thur 28 th April, 10.00am Sat 30 th May, 7.30pm Sun 1 st May, 11.30am | Stephen Glynn, Knockmore Special Intention No Mass |

MASS CHANGES NEXT WEEKEND: There will be **NO** 9.30am mass in Inch and **NO** 11.30am mass in Kilmaley next Sunday, 1st May. Mass will be at 11.30am in Inch.

SILVER JUBILEE - APOSTOLIC WORK SOCIETY: This year the Parish Apostolic Work Society celebrate 25 years in existence. We congratulate all who are involved in this great Parish Ministry of support for the Missions and local church. We say a sincere thanks to them for their generosity of time, talents and to the many that support financially. On Sunday 1st May the Annual Display of work will take place in Inch School and we ask your support. To honour the Silver Jubilee we will have a special Mass of Thanksgiving in Inch Church at 11.30 am on Sunday May 1st. The main celebrant will be V. Rev Des Hillery Diocesan Administrator. All are welcome and we look forward to meeting you there. The Display will be opened after Mass till 5pm cake sale, and raffle on the day. Donations of cakes, jams etc would be appreciated. The committee would be grateful of any help on the day. If anyone would like to donate a sacred vessel such as chalice or ciborium in memory of a loved one or in petition or thanksgiving for a favour they are welcome to do so and should contact Maureen O'Rourke @ 6839054 as soon as possible. If anyone has used stamps, they would also be appreciated and can be handed in on the day.

APOSTOLIC WORK SOCIETY: A meeting will take place on Monday 25th April at 8 pm in Fr. Pat's house. All members are asked to attend.

ANNIVERSARY MASSES: The dates for the May Grouped Anniversary Masses are as follows - **Kilmaley** – Sat 14th at 7.30 pm and Sun 29th at 11.30am; **Connolly** - Sun 1st and Sun 29th at 10.30am; **Inch** - Sun 8th and Sun 29th at 9.30am.

SYMPATHY: We offer our sympathy, support and prayers to the family, relatives and friends of **Kathleen Leyden, Clancy Park, Ennis** buried during the week.

BAPTISM: We welcome into God's family and the Christian Community **Thomas Daniel Conheady & Grace Anne Mary Conheady, Dromard, Ennis**. We congratulate their parents William and Mairead and pray that God will always guide and protect them.

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES: **Connolly** – Mon, Tue & Wed @ 10 a.m. **Kilmaley** - Thur only at @ 10 a.m.

MINISTRY OF THE WORD: **Kilmaley** - Sat. 30th @ 7.30pm Roisín Burke **Sun. 1st May @ 11.30am No Mass**

Inch - Sun. 1st May @ 11.30am. Moira Lawlor

Connolly – Sun. 1st May @ 10.30 a.m. Martha Dillon

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 €533.32; Priests Collection €154; St. Patrick's Day €4; Catholic Social Services €4; Epiphany €2**

CLARE 250 CYCLE Annual Church Gate Collection takes place next weekend. Representing the parish this year are Rose Enright and Yvonne O'Connor. Proceeds of this collection goes towards pilgrimage to Lourdes and the Cancer Centre.

LAUNCH OF BISHOP WILLIE WALSH'S NEW BOOK “NO CRUSADER”: will be launched in Ennis next week: The Ennis Cathedral on **Friday 29th April at 8pm** and afterwards to Maria Assumpta Hall for get together. All are very welcome to these events – if you want to pre order please ring Geraldine 065 6828696.

LOURDES DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE: Lourdes has been designated as one of the International Jubilee sites for this Year of Mercy. The Diocesan Pilgrimage takes place from 26th June returning on 1st July. Extra capacity has been provided in the flights from Shannon Airport. Bookings to Joe Walsh Tours (01) 2410810 or www.ioewalshstours.ie. Fully inclusive fare of flights, hotel and all meals for €687 with €10 discount for online booking.

PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND: The Diocese of Killaloe is organising its first Pilgrimage to the Holy Land in 8 years, direct from Shannon Airport **from 23rd to 31st October**. Cost is €1,430 per person sharing. There are less than 10 remaining seats available. **Booking forms for the remaining places are available from Fr. Tom Ryan, Shannon 087-2349816 or Fr. Brendan Quinlivan, Ennis 087-2736310.**

MATT O' CONNOR OPEN SPORTS: Matt O' Connor memorial Open Sports day at Lees Road on Sunday 24th April at 2pm Races for girls & boys from U/7 to U/16. Junior & Senior Races also plus Relays. Medals will be presented to all U/7s.

SEINN CELEBRATION EVENT: Wednesday, 27th April 2016 - The Cathedral of Saints Peter and Paul, Ennis at 7.30pm. The Seinn music project began in 2013 and this year there is a particular emphasis on the Year of Mercy. Come and join second-level students and parish choirs from our diocese, as they join together to celebrate the music from the Seinn 2016 programme, as well as pieces associated with the Year of Mercy. All are very welcome to attend what is sure to be a fantastic evening of song and celebration.

JUSTICE AND PEACE - 'CLIMATE CHANGE AND ME' CONFERENCE: Ireland's leading expert on climate science, Professor John Sweeney, is to speak at a one-day conference on climate change at *Knock Shrine on Saturday April 30th*. The event – called Climate Change and Me – takes place in the Rest & Care Centre, Knock. The event begins at 10:00am and the cost of registration is 10 euro. An event well worth attending for anyone who cares about our environment and our world.

THE KILLALOE DIOCESE JPIC COMMITTEE are pleased to invite you to attend the '*Your Kingdom Come: A Spirituality of JPIC*' talk which will be delivered by Fr. Gearóid Ó Conaire OFM. The talk will be delivered on **Tuesday 17th May, 8pm** in the **Pastoral Centre, Ennis**. Themes which will be explored include: An introduction to Justice, Peace and Integrity of Creation (JPIC)· JPIC's foundation in Scripture, Church documents and Catholic Social Teaching· The role of JPIC in the life of the Church and its members. All are welcome to what will surely be a most relevant and interesting talk.

BAKING FOR BUGISI: Kilmaley girl Orla Hennessy is travelling out to assist the Our Lady of the Apostles Sisters on their Mission in Bugisi, rural Tanzania, where they provide vital and basic medical care to the local population, as well as spreading their faith. Orla is holding a raffle for a custom gourmet cake to raise money for the Clinic. This is a great opportunity to donate to a cause and know exactly where the money is going. For more information and to donate go to www.idonate.ie/bakingforbugisi or email Orla on o.hennessy95@gmail.com Many thanks.

MEDJUGORJE PILGRIMAGE ex SHANNON: MAY 25th for 7 nights. Spiritual Director: Fr Gerard Fitzgerald. Group Leader: Kathleen Lee. Cost: €659. Kathleen will be happy to answer enquiries at 086 1031508

KILMALEY LOTTO: Numbers Drawn 13, 18, 26, 30. No Jackpot Winner. **Jackpot next week will be €9,800 - County Board Ticket Winners:** Leonard McGuane, Tom Downes, Mary Meehan, Liane Vaughan, John O'Reilly. Next Draw on Saturday 23rd April. Play online at www.kilmaleygaa.ie

CLARE PARKINSON'S SUPPORT GROUP meets at Carrigoran Health & Wellness Centre, Newmarket-on-Fergus at 10.00 am on the last Friday of the month. These informal meetings provide a chance for people to talk and discuss worries and experiences. Activities that assist people living with Parkinson's such as Yoga, Dance, Occupational Therapy or Tai Chi generally form part of the get together - and there is the social aspect with time to enjoy a coffee or tea and a home baked scone! The next Clare Parkinson's Support Group meeting is on Friday 29th April. For further information contact 087 415 8430

WEEKEND RETREAT IN THE BURREN: 6th - 8th May: 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.

CLARE OLDER PERSON'S VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARD 2016: Following on from the successful launch of the Clare Older Person's Volunteer of the Year Award last year, the search is on again for nominations from individuals and communities in Clare. To celebrate our communities and to recognise the outstanding contribution made by older people who volunteer their time, energy and skills to enhance the quality of life in communities across County Clare, we invite you to nominate a volunteer over the age of 55 who has made a difference through volunteering. For criteria and a nomination form, either email info@volunteerclare.ie , telephone 0656866800.

CYCLE AGAINST SUICIDE 2016: This year, over 7,000 cyclists are expected to take part in Cycle Against Suicide, travelling over 1,100km around the island of Ireland in 14 days. The Cycle begins in Phoenix Park, Dublin on **Sunday, April 24th** and visits a number of towns across the island; from Cavan to Cookstown, Roscommon and Roscrea, returning to Dublin **on Saturday, May 7th**. Full details of the route and how to register is available at www.cycleagainstsucide.com. If you would like to play your part in helping to break the cycle of suicide on the island of Ireland, volunteers are always welcome. To volunteer with Cycle Against Suicide, please e-mail volunteer@cycleagainstsucide.com. If you would like to provide accommodation for cyclists when Cycle Against Suicide visits your local area, you can do so by sending an e-mail to homestays@cycleagainstsucide.com.

PARISH CLEAN UP: WELL, WELL DONE to all of us for having come out on **Saturday to clean up our parish**, to everyone who did from Inch, Kilmaley, Connolly. We were **still picking on Sunday and even Monday** and bags collected from the roadside as well. All were taken to the Inagh land fill on Tuesday. The roads are so clean it is a pleasure to walk or drive now and to keep them like that I would ask the people who are littering to STOP and those who dump their rubbish to STOP. We can also keep this going by bringing a small plastic bag with us occasionally and pick up small pieces of litter. If we all keep a pair of rubber gloves in our car and if we see black bags dumped at the side of the road and when it is safe to stop to lift it on to the grass margin so that it will not be broken and scattered around the road and ring the Co. Council on 065-6821616 environment section and ask for Conor the litter warden who will arrange to have it collected. **We have Pride in our Place.**

CALLING ALL COMMUNITIES IN CLARE: A Field Trip to Ireland's Leading Ecological Community Project **on Wednesday 27th April**. This unique experience for PPN members will visit Cloughjordan Eco Village to see the many environmental features, and to explore how we improve participation in the development of sustainable communities and the local economy. **To book a free place contact** Cepta McDonagh - Environment Section, Clare County Council; 065 6846473; envawareness@clarecoco.ie

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