

# INCH-KILMALEY-CONNOLLY PARISH NEWSLETTER

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## THIRD SUNDAY LENT “Year C” 28<sup>th</sup> February, 2016

<b>MASSES:</b>	<b>Inch:</b>	<b>Sun 28<sup>th</sup> February @ 9.30am</b>	<b>Special Intention</b>
		Fri 4 <sup>th</sup> March @ 7.30pm	Josie Coote, Inchmore (1 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary)
		<b>Sun 6<sup>th</sup> March @ 9.30am</b>	<b>Special Intention</b>
	<b>Connolly:</b>	<b>Sun 28<sup>th</sup> February @ 10.30am</b>	<b>Special Intention</b>
		Sun 6 <sup>th</sup> March @ 10.30am	John Hehir, Feighroe, Connolly
	<b>Kilmaley:</b>	<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
		<b>Sat 5<sup>th</sup> March @ 7.30pm</b>	<b>Special Intention</b>
		<b>Sun 6<sup>th</sup> March @ 11.30am</b>	<b>Special Intention</b>

**FIRST FRIDAY:** Friday next is the First Friday in March. Mass times are as follows - **Kilmaley 10.00am; Connolly 11.00am**  
Communion calls will take place at the usual times. **Mass and the Sacrament of Anointing will take place on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March at 11.00am in the Kilmaley Day Care Centre.** All are welcome.

**SYMPATHY:** We offer our sympathy, support and prayers to the family, relatives and friends of **Vincent Considine, Cragg, Kilmihil**, Uncle of Henry, Martin and Brian Neylon and Brother-in-law of Mattie McMahon, Cahermore buried last weekend.

**LENTEN REFLECTIONS:** A one page reflection on each Sunday Gospel called *Hearing, Happening, Hoping* can be downloaded from the Killaloe Diocesan website <http://www.killaloediocese.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:** “...but no one who drinks the water I shall give will ever be thirsty again...” *John 4:14*. Millions of farmers in Kenya suffer from a lack of rain due to the effects of climate change. Trócaire is installing irrigation systems and piping in drinking water to ensure farmers can grow enough to feed their families and there is clean water to drink without having to rely on the rain. Join the fight for justice at [www.trocaire.org](http://www.trocaire.org)

**WEEKDAY MASS TIMES:** Connolly – Mon, Tue, Wed @10am & Fri. @11am Kilmaley - Fri, Sat. @10am

**MINISTRY OF THE WORD:** Kilmaley - Sat 5<sup>th</sup> March @ 7.30pm Roisín Burke; Sun 6<sup>th</sup> March @ 11.30am Deirdre Neylon  
Inch - Sun 6<sup>th</sup> March @ 9.30am Seosamh Reid Connolly – Sun 6<sup>th</sup> March @ 10.30am Patrína Cullen

**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 €673.33; Priests Collection €328; Epiphany €5;**

**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. The second talk will be on **Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> March: Angela Merkel – a voice for justice.** Michael Commane is a Dominican teacher and preacher who has lived and worked in Germany. He is also a journalist. He was Press Officer for Concern Worldwide and currently is Press Officer for Young Scientists Tanzania and Dublin’s New Theatre. In September he visited refugee camps in Northern Lebanon, where Concern is working close to the Syrian border.

**IRISH INSTITUTE FOR CATHOLIC STUDIES SPRING LECTURE SERIES** @ Mary Immaculate College, Limerick: Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2016 @ 7pm, T1 18, TARA Building. **This is the way religion ends: Not with a bang but a whimper** by Prof. David Voas, University College London. Admittance Free – Everyone welcome.

**DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES:** The 60th Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes will leave Shannon on Sunday June 26th returning on Friday July 1st. The cost this year is €687 per person sharing with a €10 discount for online booking at JWT website [www.joewalshstours.ie](http://www.joewalshstours.ie) Booking forms can be obtained from Joe Walsh Tours, 143 Lr. Baggot St, Dublin 2. Tel 01 2410800. A limited number of sick pilgrims will be accommodated in the Sanctuary of Lourdes at a cost of €585. Applications for sick pilgrims only to Fr. Tom at 061 364133. Families or individuals often sponsor a family member, parents or a friend on the occasion of an anniversary or jubilee, with a visit to Lourdes. More details on poster in the Church porch or Killaloe Diocese website [www.killaloediocese.ie](http://www.killaloediocese.ie)

**ROSARY AT CONNOLLY GROTTTO:** Rosary will be said on **Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> March at 5.30pm at the grotto in Connolly** and if the weather is bad it will be said in the church.

**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 parishioner 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.**

**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 February 29<sup>th</sup> 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)

**BEGINNING EXPERIENCE:** Beginning Experience is a worldwide specially designed support programme for men and women who have suffered the loss of a spouse by death, separation or divorce to work through the grief process, and to discover for themselves that merely "existing" in life can be transformed into "living" a new life, though a different one. The next weekend is being held at the Ennismore Retreat Centre, Cork from Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April to Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> April, 2016. For further details, please contact 087 9886480 email: [beginningexperiencecork@gmail.com](mailto:beginningexperiencecork@gmail.com)

**55<sup>TH</sup> WEST CLARE DRAMA FESTIVAL:** will take place in Doonbeg Hall from Sat, 5<sup>th</sup> to Mon, 14<sup>th</sup> March. Adjudicator is Michael O'Hara. Doors open 7pm. Curtain 8pm. For details of performance, see posters and [www.westclaredramafestivaldoonbeg.com](http://www.westclaredramafestivaldoonbeg.com) Please support.

**THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL,** wish to recruit new volunteer members, we are holding an open Information evening on **Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2016 @ 7.30pm** in Temple Gate Hotel in Ennis, people interested from all areas of the County are invited to attend, the younger generation are also most welcome. SVP welcomes volunteers from all walks of life who respect and share its ethos and wish to support its work. Home visitation is our core work, when people and families in need contact the Society for assistance.

**KILMALEY LOTTO:** Numbers Drawn **11, 17, 24, 27.** No Jackpot Winner. **Jackpot next week will be €9,000---** €30 Winners- Geraldine Mullen, Anthony Scanlon, Vera McGuane, Nuala Moloney, Carmel McMahon. Next Draw on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> February. Play online at [www.kilmaleygaa.ie](http://www.kilmaleygaa.ie)

**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 March 16<sup>th</sup> to facilitate enrolment.**

**CLARE ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND HISTORICAL SOCIETY:** Lecture on **Tuesday, March 1<sup>st</sup> in Clare Museum at 8pm** entitled "County Clare and the Irish Revolution 1913 - 1923" by Dr. Pádraig Óg Ó Ruairc author of "Blood On The Banner - The Republican Struggle in Clare". The lecture will give a brief overview of events in County Clare from the 1916 Rising to the civil war. All welcome, non members €5.

**ENROLMENT -- CONNOLLY N.S.:** Connolly N.S. is now enrolling for September 2016. Expression of Interest forms and Enrolment forms can be obtained from the school. Drop in and view our excellent facilities, preschool and after school care service for junior and senior infants. **Closing date for applications is 30<sup>th</sup> April 2016. Contact: Seán O'Neill (Principal) on Tel: 065- 6839550 or email us on [connollynationalschool@gmail.com](mailto:connollynationalschool@gmail.com)**

**NEW FACILITIES IN CONNOLLY N.S.:** Connolly N.S. has recently upgraded its school playground by installing new basketball nets and posts, thus enhancing the school recreational facilities for the children. The school has also invested in an IT Trolley to store the children's mini-pads. The school would like to thank the parents for all their fundraising efforts to allow for these purchases. *Mile buíochas.*

**COMMUNITY COACHING IN SPORT:** Do you have an interest in sport? Are you currently unemployed? 14-week course offered by Clare Sports Partnership and Clare Local Development Company **starting 8<sup>th</sup> March in Quin, Co. Clare.** Course will run on Tuesdays and Wednesdays with 20 hours work placement. Contents include coaching and leadership skills, first aid and job preparation skills. **Registrations close March 4<sup>th</sup>.** Call Paul on 087 6327312

**COMMUNITY TOURISM DIASPORA INITIATIVE 2016:** Clare County Council invites applications for funding for the Community Tourism Diaspora Initiative 2016. Interested parties are advised to contact Philomena O'Connell, Clare County Council at 065 6846511 or email [tourism@clarecoco.ie](mailto:tourism@clarecoco.ie) for an application form. Closing Date for receipt of applications is **4.00pm on Friday, 11<sup>th</sup> March 2016.**

**PRIDE OF PLACE COMPETITION 2016:** Expressions of interest are being sought from local communities, projects and housing estates around Clare who wish to participate in the IPB Pride of Place competition 2016 in association with Co-operation Ireland. For further information, please contact Philomena O'Connell, Clare County Council at 065 6846511, email [tourism@clarecoco.ie](mailto:tourism@clarecoco.ie) Closing date for receipt of expression of interests is **4.00pm on Thursday, 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2016.**

**37<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL CLARE 250 MILE CYCLE** takes place on the **21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> May.** Taking part in this event gives you an opportunity to nominate someone from your parish who has been diagnosed with cancer to go on our pilgrimage to Lourdes in September. If you are interested in taking part, please contact 065 6841600 or email [clare250mile@gmail.com](mailto:clare250mile@gmail.com).

**LACK – SCHOOL & PEOPLE:** To coincide with the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the closing of the school in 1975, James Hehir has updated his book, 'Lack – School & People'. A limited number of copies are available at €15. To obtain one, call Patricia on 087 2949469 or 065 6832006.

**EPILEPSY IRELAND:** A church gate collection will be taken up this Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> February before 10.30am Mass in Connolly, please give generously.

**Notices for Newsletter to Fr. Larkin by 12 Noon on Thursdays**