

INCH – KILMALEY - CONNOLLY PARISH NEWSLETTER

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First Sunday in Advent Year (B) 30th November, 2014

MASS REQUESTED

INCH

Sun 30th Nov 9.30am Special Intention

Sun 7th Dec 9.30am Special Intention

KILMALEY

Sat 29th Nov 7.30pm Special Intention

Sun 30th Nov 11.30am Special Intention

Sat 6th Dec 7.30pm Special Intention

Sun 7th Dec 11.30am Special Intention

CONNOLLY

Sun 30th Nov 10.30am Special Intention

Sun 7th Dec 10.30am Special Intention

DAILY MASSES

Connolly: Mon, Tues, Wed 10am

Kilmaley Day Care Centre: Thurs 11.00am

Kilmaley: Fri and Sat 10am

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Sun 7th December Christopher Forde

Connolly

Sun 7th December Martha Dillon

FIRST FRIDAY: Friday next is the First Friday in December. Mass times are as follows- Kilmaley 10.00am and Connolly 11.00am Communion Calls will take place at the usual times. Mass and the Sacrament of Anointing will take place at Kilmaley Day Care Centre on Thursday 4th December at 11.00am All are welcome.

VIATORES CHRISTI: Tina Mc Carthy & Mary Mc Eaney members of Viatores Christi, who visited our Parish last weekend and spoke at all Masses would like to sincerely say thanks for the very warm welcome they received and the very generous contributions for their collection. They received a total of €700.

CHRISTMAS DAY MASS: Christmas is almost upon us and rehearsals are already underway for our Christmas Day mass. One of the things that makes Christmas Day special is the Choir. I would be grateful if you would allow your children who want to be part of this special Christmas Day choir, to join us. **Children must be in 2nd class and upwards.** As in previous years, Rehearsals will be conducted in Kilmaley Church. Rehearsals will be held on both **Mon Evenings and Sat Mornings. We have a lot of work to do and so it is important that all rehearsals are well attended.** Next rehearsal is **Mon 1st Dec 6.15pm – 7.30pm.** I'm looking forward to seeing you all. Mary Healy Mc Ateer 087-9232836

CHRISTMAS FOOD GIVING: On Sat, 6th December Santa will be at the vigil mass in Kilmaley to collect food for the Annual Christmas Food Appeal which takes place next weekend 6th & 7th 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 a 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, spaghetti, noodles, tayto, All items will be distributed through Clarecare.**

SENIOR CITIZENS' CHRISTMAS PARTY: The Annual Kilmaley Christmas Party for Senior Citizens will be held on Sunday, 7th Dec. at 1pm sharp in Treacy's West County Hotel, Ennis. The day will start with a Christmas Dinner, followed by Bingo, Santa Presents, Music and Dancing by P.J. Murrhy and a performance by the winners' of "Kilmaley's Got Talent". We will have a free raffle with a chance to win lots of spot prizes and finish the day with a good sing song. Come along and celebrate a Christmas spirit with your friends and family. You are guaranteed a great day out.

BASKET & ENVELOPE COLLECTIONS: A sincere thanks to all who contribute so generously every weekend to all the various collections. The total contributed last weekend was as follows – Envelopes €746.01 Priests' Collection €14; Feast assumption €2; Missions to date €730.30; All Saints €26; **E KDYC (KILLALOE DIOCESAN YOUTH COUNCIL)** will have its next meeting on Friday 12th December at 7.30pm in The Church of Our Lady, Roslevan, Ennis. All are welcome to attend. We would love to see some new faces

FR LIAM LAWTON 'BETHLEHEM SKY' CHRISTMAS CONCERT to be held at Glór Theatre, Ennis on Thursday 18th December at 8pm. Special guests on the night are, Cantare Chamber Choir & Holy Family Senior Choir. Tickets on sale at Glór Theatre 065-6843103. www.glor.ie Further information available from www.liamlawton.com

KILMALEY GAA DEVELOPMENT FUNDRAISING DRAW will take place next **Saturday, 6th December, 2014 @ 10.30pm** in Carney's Bar, Connolly.

Items for inclusion in newsletter should be sent to Fr Larkin, in writing or by e-mail pilarkin@eircom.net on or before **12 noon** on Thurs. It would be appreciated if this deadline were adhered to.

MEDJUGORJE : MAY 2015 : ANNUAL ENNIS/CLARECASTLE PILGRIMAGE departing Shannon May 20th for seven days. €100 deposit secures €609 up to 17th Feb, thereafter €659 applies. Please contact Kathleen @ 065 6824750 or Mary @ 065 6824400.

ENNIS PRAYER GROUP Sunday 30th November 2014 St Anthony's Hall, Francis Street, Ennis; Advent Day of Renewal with Sr. Mary Bridget and Music by Michael & Margaret & Rachel Lowe Theme *'May your love be upon us O'Lord as we place all our hope in you'*. Starts 10am Finish with Mass at 3.30pm with Fr Joe Condren OFM Everyone is warmly invited Contact Martha 065 68 22262 Iris 086 3334153 Mary 087 2318580.

REMEMBRANCE MASS- DEFENCE FORCES: The Annual Mass for deceased members of the Defence Forces and their families, to be held in the Friary, Ennis at 7.30pm on the 5th December. . Contact Lt. Crowe 0870516292

YOUTH 2000: Youth 2000 Ireland will be hosting their annual Christmas Retreat in Newbridge College, Newbridge, Co. Kildare from Friday 12th to Sunday 14th December 2014. Many young people from across Ireland (aged 16-35) are expected at this donation only event, with all newcomers very welcome. This is a great opportunity to find out what your faith is all about in a friendly, chilled out atmosphere. Free buses available. Online booking necessary, see www.youth2000.ie or phone 01 6753690.

LIGHTS OF LOVE: This year's Lights of Love remembrance service will be held in the Cathedral in Ennis on Sunday 7th of December at 4pm. This is a very special service remembering babies and infants who are no longer with us. Along with the service a toy box appeal in aid of Barnardos will be held and unwrapped toys can be brought along on the day. All are welcome to join us after the service at the Temple Gate Hotel for some refreshments and a chat. Contact Laura on 0867252872 or follow the facebook page Rainbows of Remembrance for more info.

SANTA IS COMING TO KILMALEY: He will be at the Old Post Office on Sunday 7th of December from 12 to 5 p.m. He will have a present for each child, free face painting and free candy floss. Kiddies ride in the yard. Bring your camera! All profits to Kilmaley National School. Limited tickets so book early, available from the Old Post Office only. Only €8 per child. To book your visit with Santa; call down to the Post Office or telephone us, 065-6839038, Monday to Saturday, 8:30a.m. to 7:00p.m.

CHRISTMAS SPIRIT CONCERT: Christmas Spirit, in St Columba's Church, Bindon Street, Ennis will be held this year on **Saturday December 6th at 8.00pm** Regina Nathan Soprano, Linnhe Robertson Piano Tickets: €20 Booking online: www.reginanathan.com or Te. **087 2520181** Includes seasonal refreshments

SUPPORT SERVICES OLDER PEOPLE: Are you someone who can stand out from the crowd? Sage Support and Advocacy Service for Older People needs volunteers to help speak up for older people across all care settings. Sage will provide FETAC training and support. For more information call 086 183 1428, email michelle.rooney@sage.thirdageireland.ie or see www.sage.thirdageireland.ie If you need any further information, or have any questions about Sage please contact me on 086 1831428.

CAREWORKERS NEEDED: Careworkers required for DSP Community Employment Scheme. DSP criteria applies. Contact: Mary McGann, The Alzheimer Society, Ennis 065 6845835

CLARE PUBLIC PARTICIPATION NETWORK / A VOICE FOR COMMUNITIES: All Community, Voluntary, Social Inclusion and Environmental Groups are invited to the Clare Public Participation Network Information meeting which takes place in glór, Ennis, on Wednesday, 3rd December at 7.00pm. All groups that have previously registered with Clare Community Forum/Clare County Council must register under this process if they wish to participate in this new structure. For further information, please visit www.clarecoco.ie or contact Valerie on 065 6846545 or vfleming@clarecoco.ie

THE AGM OF CLARE ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND HISTORICAL SOCIETY will take place next Tuesday 2nd Dec at 7pm in the Maguire Suite, Old Ground Hotel. Followed by lecture on Two Mesolithic Shell Middens at Fanore More by Elaine Lynch at 8pm. All welcome.

REMINDER KILMALEY PARISH MAGAZINE 2014: PRO'S Secretaries etc of all parish teams and organisations are urged to get their end of year reports ready as soon as possible. They may be e-mailed to info@realprint.ie subject line should include Kilmaley Parish Magazine

We extend our prayers and best wishes to Archbishop Kieran on his appointment as Archbishop of Cashel and Emly. We thank him for his gentle and inspiring leadership of the Church in Killaloe for the last four and a half years. May the Spirit of God continue to guide him in his new Ministry.