

INCH-KILMALEY-CONNOLLY PARISH NEWSLETTER

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Second Sunday of Christmas "Year C" 3rd January, 2016

MASSSES:	Inch	Sun 3 rd Jan @ 9.30am	Patrick Gregan, Knock, Inch
		Sun 10 th Jan @ 9.30am	Michael Cullinan & Family Members, Cragleigh Paddy O'Malley, Cappalea
	Kilmaley	Sat 2 nd Jan @ 7.30pm	Special Intention
		Sun 3 rd Jan @ 11.30am	Special Intention
		Sat 9 th Jan @ 7.30pm	Martin & Nora O' Sullivan, Furroor Michael Lynch, Bealcragga Gerard (Ger) McNamara, Fortville
		Sun 10 th Jan @ 11.30am	Special Intention
	Connolly	Sun 3 rd Jan @ 10.30am	Special intention
		Sun 10 th Jan @ 10.30am	Nancy Crawford, Feighroe, Connolly Cathy Crawford, Patrick & Annie Crawford

FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY: Wednesday next 6th January is the Feast of the Epiphany (Little Christmas/ Nollaig na mBan.) It is a Holy day of Obligation. **Mass times are as follows- Vigil - Kilmaley Tuesday 5th @ 7.30 pm Wednesday Morning - Inch 9.30 am Connolly 10.30 am Kilmaley 11.30 am**

BAPTISM: We welcome into God's family and the Christian Community **Daniel Peter Pio Mc Ateer, Lispuckaun, Kilmaley.** We congratulate his parents Kieran & Mary and pray that God will always guide and protect him.

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES: Connolly –Mon, Tue @10am Wed @ 10.30am Kilmaley- Thur, Fri, Sat. @10am

MINISTRY OF THE WORD: Kilmaley - Sat 9th Jan @ 7.30pm Billy Hamel; Sun 10th Jan @ 11.30am Seamus Lynch
Inch - Sun 10th Jan @ 9.30am Seosamh Reid Connolly – Sun 10th Jan @ 10.30am Patrina 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 €1,118.80; Priests Collection €1,141; Christmas Day €1,521.40; Feast of the Immaculate Conception €42.80; Missions €5; All Saints €13.60; Assumption €5.80; Sick & Retired Priests' Fund €2**

JUSTICE & PEACE: The Justice and Peace Group in the Diocese are anxious to promote care of elderly people who may be living alone during the entire year, but in particular at this Christmas time. If you know of any elderly neighbour or person living in your area who may be alone or in need of some assistance during these times, we would urge you to drop in for a chat or a quick visit. The smallest of things can mean the world to someone, so, we would encourage thus who are able to keep an eye to our elderly neighbours and friends this Christmas season.

LOURDES 2016: The 60th Pilgrimage from the Killaloe Diocese to Lourdes will take place from 26th June to 1st July 2016. €687pps full board, no change in price. Book online at www.joewalstours.ie and get €10 discount. An ideal gift for Christmas or special occasions.

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

KILMALEY DAY CARE CENTRE: The Management & staff of Kilmaley Day Care Centre wish to thank you for your support during the past year. Every Blessing & good wish for 2016 to you all.

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

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 €1,430, 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.

KILMALEY NEW YEAR STEPFITT 6 week programme comprising of Step Aerobics/Step Circuits, commencing Monday 11th January 2016 7-8 pm Kilmaley Daycare Centre contact Clare on 0876855569 to book your place.

KILMALEY LOTTO: Numbers Drawn 12, 14, 16, 26. No Jackpot Winner. Jackpot next week will be €8,200---- €30 Winners- Patrick & Joe Burke, Anne Talty, Sinead Fitzpatrick, Kevin St. John, Martin Glynn. Next Draw on Saturday 2nd January 2016. Play online at www.kilmaleygaa.ie

THIRD AGE - SENIOR HELP LINE: 'DO YOU NEED SOMEONE TO TALK TO?' Senior Help Line is a confidential listening service for older people provided by trained older volunteers for the price of a local call anywhere in Ireland, **LoCall 1850 440 444**. **Senior Help Line is open every day of the year, including Christmas Day, from 10 am to 10 pm.** Senior Help Line's trained older volunteers offer a friendly, listening and non-judgmental ear to all callers. Lifting the phone lessens the loneliness. We are there. **LoCall 1850 440 444**.

MINDFULNESS BASED STRESS REDUCTION with Anne Buckley. 8 Week Programme Starts Wed. 20th January 10.30am to 1pm weekly Venue: The Red Gates, Corofin. Contact Anne 085 8108633 annebuckley08@gmail.com

U-21 VICTORY SOCIAL: Kilmaley GAA Club Under 21 Victory Social at Woodstock Hotel on **Saturday 9th of January at 8 pm**. Tickets can be purchased through any member of the club executive (**contact 087 8516945 or 087 8113030**) or U21 management team.

WINDFARM MEETING: A meeting concerning the proposed Salaboula Windfarm will be held at the **Bogdale Bar, Lisroe on Monday 11th January at 8.30 pm** Any people who will be affected by this proposed development are invited to attend. A warm welcome is also extended to any other parishioners who feel they may be affected by other windfarms in the future.

LOST KITTEN: He is grey and black and went missing at Christmas Eve Mass in Kilmaley. Contact Marie O'Brien 085-1253045

YOGA CLASSES: New Block of 6 Yoga Classes commences this Thursday, 7th January at Kilmaley Daycare Centre @ 8.15pm Cost €70.

A New Year's Prayer

As we try to live our lives well...
Walk closely with us, O God
As we continue to surrender ourselves to you...
Walk closely with us, O God.
As we journey into the unknown of a new year...
Walk closely with us, O God.
As we learn to accept our weaknesses...
Walk closely with us, O God.
As we learn to accept our strengths...
Walk closely with us, O God.
As we stay faithful to our relationship with you...
Walk closely with us, O God.
As we give ourselves to the poor and powerless...
Walk closely with us, O God.
As we keep searching for the truth...
Walk closely with us, O God.
As we accept your constant love for us...
Walk closely with us, O God.