

INCH-KILMALEY-CONNOLLY PARISH NEWSLETTER

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SECOND SUNDAY ADVENT ---YEAR “A” --- 4th December 2016

MASSSES: Inch	Sun 4 th December @ 9.30am	Special Intention
	Thur 8 th December @ 9.30am	Feast Immaculate Conception
	Sun 11 th December @ 9.30am	Christy Barry, Tullassa Tommy, Lil & Sonny Hogan, Tullassa
Connolly	Sun 4 th December @ 10.30am	Special Intention
	Mon 5 th December @ 10am	Mary Kelly. Kinturk
	Thur 8 th December @ 10.30am	Feast of the Immaculate Conception
	Sun 11 th December @ 10.30am	Catherine Keane, Corncreagh Michael Augustine Scanlan Delia Scanlan Kate Teresa Scanlan, New York
Kilmaley	Sat 3 rd December @ 7.30pm	Special Intention
	Sun 4 th December @ 11.30am	Special Intention
	za Vigil - Feast of Immaculate Conception	
	Thur 8th December @ 11.30am	Feast of the Immaculate Conception
	Sat 10 th December @ 7.30pm	Teresa Neylon, Cahermore
Sun 11 th December @ 11.30am	Special Intention	

FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION: Thursday 8th December is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is a Holy day of Obligation. Mass times are as follows - Wednesday 7th in Kilmaley Church at 7.30pm. Thursday 8th December Inch 9.30am; Connolly 10.30am; Kilmaley 11.30am.

CHRISTMAS FOOD GIVING MASS: Christmas is quickly approaching and on Saturday 10th 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 10th / 11th 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.**

BABY JESUS SUNDAY: Every year on one of the Sundays of Advent families bring the figure of the Baby Jesus to St. Peter's Square in Rome for the Pope to bless. It is called "**Bambinelli Sunday**" Many homes in our parish still give a central place to the crib among their Christmas decorations. **On Sat 17th & Sun 18th Dec we invite you to bring the Baby Jesus from your home to any mass in the Parish and they will be blessed by the priest.**

FESTIVAL OF CRIBS LISCONNOR CHURCH: This will take place on Sat 10th, Sun 11th, Mon 12th December. Well worth a visit.

SYMPATHY: We offer our sympathy, support and prayers to the family, relatives and friends of Phil Scanlon, Oak Park, Ennis & Renagisha, Connolly who was buried during the week.

CHILDREN'S MAS CHRISTMAS EVE: Any musicians or singers interested in joining the music group for the Annual Children's Mass on Christmas Eve in Inch Church, please attend a rehearsal on Sunday 4th December from 6pm-7pm in Inch Church.

ANNIVERSARY MASSES: The dates for the December Grouped Anniversary Masses are as follows- Kilmaley – Sat 10th at 7.30pm & Sun 18th at 11.30am. Connolly - Sun 11th & Sun 18th at 10.30am; Inch – Sun 11th & Sun 18th at 9.30am.

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

MINISTRY OF THE WORD: Kilmaley - Sat 10th Dec @ 7.30pm Mary Griffey Sun 11th Dec @ 11.30am Deirdre Neylon
Inch – Sun 11th Dec @ 9.30am Moira Lawlor Connolly – Sun 11th Dec @ 10.30am Rose Fox

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 €714.90; Priests Collection €172; Missions €4 (to date €745.11); All Saints €16; Christmas Day €2; Immaculate Conception €2; Sick & Retired Priests' Fund €2; Peters Pence €2**

ADVENT REFLECTIONS: A one page reflection on each Sunday Gospel for Advent called **Hearing, Happening, Hoping** can be downloaded from the Killaloe Diocesan website <http://www.killaloe-diocese.ie/diocesan-news/hearing-happening-hoping-advent>. Weeks one and two are available now. These reflections were compiled by Fr. Seamus O'Connell, Maynooth, Jane Mellett, Dublin Diocese, Philip Carder, Armagh Diocese, Sr. Marie McNamara and Maureen Kelly Killaloe Diocese.

'COME AND BECOME: ENTER ADVENT WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT'. 3 Advent Sundays at Glenstal Abbey (**27th Nov, 11 & 18th Dec**). Talks in Monastery Library at 4.30 pm by Fr Luke MacNamara, Tea/Coffee and Vespers. OSB. 061 621005 / www.glenstal.org

THANK YOU: Thanks to everyone who supported the Irish Cancer Society Church Gate Collection in Inch Church on Sunday last. Amount collected €192.

WATCH FOR YOUR NEIGHBOURS: As the weather gets colder and the days get darker the **killaloe diocese justice, peace & care of creation committee** urges all of us to keep an eye on elderly neighbours. As Church we all have a responsibility to look after each other so if you have any elderly neighbours living alone near you, take 5 minutes to check if they need any errands run and to ensure they are warm enough and have enough food. A little gesture can make a big difference.

THE PARENTS ASSOCIATION OF KILMALEY NS ARE HOSTING A FUNDRAISING CHRISTMAS MARKET in Kilmaley Community Hall on Thursday 8th December, 5:30-8:30pm. Come along for some mulled wine, mince pies, raffle and shopping! Santa will also make a guest appearance €5 per family. If you are interested in having a stall contact Evelyn Tighe on (087) 698 2500.

REMEMBRANCE CEREMONY: CLARE HAVEN SERVICES invites you to attend a Remembrance Ceremony in the Franciscan Friary Ennis on **Wednesday 7th December 2016 at 7pm**; this ceremony is to remember the women in Ireland who have died tragically through violence. All welcome.

SANTA, MRS CLAUS AND THEIR FRIENDS are arriving on a horse and carriage on **Sunday 4th of December at 3pm at the Bogdale House Lisroe Kilmaley**. Take your family picture with Santa and his friends and receive a toy. Kiddies disco, face painting, colouring corner & treats. Tea, coffee and biscuits for the Mummy's and Daddy's are complementary. All proceeds are in aid of a Rescue Centre for children in Kenya. Contact Emma 0872347969

KILLALOE DIOCESAN YOUTH COUNCIL invite young people aged 16 and over to their **Christmas Fun, Faith and Social afternoon** on **Sunday 11th December from 2 to 4pm in the Church of Our Lady, Roslevan**. Everybody is asked to bring non perishable food items, which will make up hampers for those in need in our local community. For more information contact Cora Guinnane 0872400135

KILMALEY LOTTO: Numbers Drawn 8, 12, 23, 27. No Jackpot Winner. **Jackpot Next Week €2,700** ---- €30 Winners: Christy Carmody, James Murphy, Eileen Barry, Conor McGrath, John Maher. Next Draw on Saturday 3rd November. Play online at www.kilmaleygaa.ie

CLARE HOSPICE AT CAHERCALLA: Weekly Draw Result – **1st Prize €650.00** – Mary Nestor, Microsemi Ireland, Ennis. **2nd Prize €200.00** – Averil Scanlan, Ennis. To join contact Fundraising Office 065 6821966 www.cahercalla.ie

LIAM LAWTON AT THE REDEMPTORISTS IN LIMERICK on Friday, December 9th at 8pm. Tickets €20, on sale at The Monastery Shop, 061-325099.

THREE TENORS CONCERT: SS. John & Paul Church, Shannon will be the venue for a **pre-Christmas Concert** with the Three Tenors, Ireland's Greatest Voices on **Sunday 11th December at 8pm**. Tickets available from the Parish Office Shannon, (061-364133) and Easons Skycourt Shopping Centre Shannon.

PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORJE: Date 14th June 2017 with Spiritual Director Flight from Shannon to Mostar. Cost €719. **If paid by the 9th December €619**. Contact Bernadette 0861634553

CORA GUINNANE AND JOANNE O'BRIEN WOULD LIKE TO THANK all those who attended the book launch of Where I Find God on Friday night. The book is a compilation of reflections from some of Ireland's finest thinkers which include people from across our diocese and many household names in Irish society. All royalties from the sale of the book is divided between The Peter McVerry Trust and Focus Ireland. **There will be a book signing in Ennis Bookshop on Sunday at 2pm**.

ENNIS CHRISTMAS MARKET TAKES PLACE FRIDAY 2nd TO SUNDAY 4th DEC at the new covered market. Visit Santa Claus and his elves at the Christmas Grotto (No charge – donations to Clare Crusaders), FREE Face Painting & Candy Floss, Artisan Christmas market stalls, BBQ, Mulled Wine, Spin SW 'Spinnies', Ballyea Munster Club Hurling Champions, Live Choral Music & Entertainment throughout the weekend.

KILMALEY CAMOGIE 2017: Following the recent re-convened AGM the following are the officers of Kilmaley Camogie Club 2017 Honorary President, Maureen Boon, Chairman Michael Hayes, Vice Chair Samantha Coote, Secretary Martina Carmody, Assistant Secretary Noelle Doherty, Juvenile Secretary Toni Pyne, Treasurer Susan Killeen, Registrar Jo Lohan, PRO Anne McMahan, Child Protection Officer, Siobhan Maher, Delegates to the County Board Donal Hurley and Mary Griffey. The senior Camogie management will be Gerry Kennedy, Martin Enright, Freddie Markham, David Talty, Sean Talty, Siobhan Maher. Minor/Under 16 Management, John Carmody, John Cahill, Trevor White and Samantha Coote. Under 14/13 Anne McMahan, Niall Reynolds and Trevor White. Under 11/12s Angela and Rebecca Cahill, Under 10s Derek Williams and Under 8s/CamogOg Vincent Wall. **The club will hold its annual cake sale on December 11th after 9.30am Mass in Inch School**.

ENNIS COMMUNITY COLLEGE: Enrolment for 2017/2018 Academic year Open Evening Thursday, 8th December, at 5.00pm. The Principal and Staff at Ennis Community College cordially invite Sixth Class pupils and their parents to view our facilities and meet with the teaching staff on the above date. SCHOOL BROCHURES/Enrolment Forms will be available from the local Primary Schools or from the ...College Office, Telephone 065-6829432

GAELCHOLÁISTE AN CHLÁIR: ENROLMENT FOR 2017 / 18 ACADEMIC YEAR OPEN EVENING Thursday, 8th December, 2016 at 5.30pm. The Principal, Múinteoir i bhFeighil and Staff at Gaelcholáiste an Chláir cordially invite Sixth Class pupils and their parents to view our facilities and to meet with the teaching staff. Enrolment Forms available from the local Primary Schools or from the College Office, telephone 065-6844642.

**Are you called to be "A herald's voice in the desert" preparing the way of the Lord in the hearts of His people?
If you are considering a vocation to the priesthood contact: 086 2777139**

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