

INCH-KILMALEY-CONNOLLY PARISH NEWSLETTER

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BAPTISM OF THE LORD --- 8th January, 2017

MASSSES:	Inch	Sun 8 th Jan @ 9.30am	Special Intention
		Sun 15 th Jan @ 9.30am	Special Intention
	Connolly	Sun 8 th Jan @ 10.30am	Pat & Annie Crawford, Connolly Tom, Cathy, & Nancy Crawford, Connolly Paddy Crawford, Connolly Kitty Reidy, Glaun, Connolly Micko Reidy, Glaun, Connolly Kitty Dillon, Glaun, Connolly
		Sun 15 th Jan @ 10.30am	Special Intention
	Kilmaley	Sat 7 th Jan @ 7.30pm	Gerard (Ger) McNamara, Fortville Michael Lynch, Bealcragga Michael Lynch, Fairy Hill Nora Lynch, Fairy Hill Nora O'Sullivan, Furroor
		Sun 8 th Jan @ 11.30am	Special Intention
		Fri 13 th Jan @ 7.30pm	Angela O'Connor, Derrynacarragh, Month's Mind
		Sat 14 th Jan @ 7.30pm	Special Intention
		Sun 15 th Jan @ 11.30am	Special Intention

BAPTISM: We welcome into God's family and the Christian Community **James Thomas O'Brien & Katherine Ann O'Brien, Brosna, Kerry.** We congratulate their parents Richard and Norma and pray that God will always guide and protect them.

MARRIAGE BLESSINGS: We congratulate and wish every Blessing to **Noel Barry, Mahonburgh, Inch & Liz Kinnane, Drom, Co. Tipperary** who were married on 27th December in the Church of St. Mary, Drom, Co. Tipperary. We pray that God will bless their journey of married life and fill them with happiness.

SYMPATHY: We offer our sympathy, support and prayers to the family, relatives and friends of **Kathleen Reidy, Glaun, Connolly** who was buried during the week.

ANNIVERSARY MASSES: The dates for the January 2017 Grouped Anniversary Masses are as follows - **Kilmaley** – Sat 7th at 7.30pm & Sun 22nd at 11.30am. **Connolly** - Sun 8th & Sun 22nd at 10.30am; **Inch** – Sun 8th & Sun 22nd at 9.30am

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES: **Connolly** – Mon, Tue, Wed @10.00am **Kilmaley** – Thur, Fri, Sat @ 10.00am

MINISTRY OF THE WORD: **Kilmaley** - Sat 14th @ 7.30pm Ann Griffin **Sun 15th @ 11.30am** Ann O'Loughlin
Inch – Sun 15th @ 9.30am Christopher Forde **Connolly** – Sun 15th @ 10.30am Patrina Cullen

JANUARY 8th IS INTERNATIONAL AWARENESS DAY FOR HUMAN TRAFFICKING: Human trafficking is one of the world's most shameful ills—a heartless violation of human rights in which lives are traded, sold, exploited, abused and ruined. We invite you to pray for the victims of this crime and to keep yourself informed of events and happenings in this important area of human rights.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA AND ST. ANTHONY'S SHRINE: The Killaloe Diocese is organising a once off pilgrimage to Fatima for the Centenary Year 2017 and a visit to the shrine of St. Anthony in Lisbon. The pilgrimage will be direct from Shannon Airport on Easter Monday 17th April, returning Friday 21st April. (Easter week) Cost €699 full board with €10 reduction for online booking to joewalshstours.ie. Booking forms also available from Fr Tom Ryan, pilgrimage Director Shannon 061 -364133 or Fr Brendan Quinlivan Ennis. There are less than 90 places available on a first come basis. Next Year 2017 is the centenary Year of the apparitions in Fatima Portugal and Pope Francis announced during the week that he will go on pilgrimage to the shrine in May.

TWO PILGRIMAGES TO MEDJUGORJE: September 6-13 spiritual director Fr. Tom O'Gorman. September 13-20. Spiritual Director TBA. €100 deposit secures €659 price. After 1st Feb, price of €709 applies. Book now before 1st Feb Contact group leader: Jimmy Considine: 085 738 5385 or 065 905 9328.

AN INTRODUCTION TO CENTERING PRAYER AS TAUGHT BY THOMAS KEATING will be held in the Pastoral Centre, Nenagh, on 21st January, 2017 from 11am to 5pm Presented by Denis Gleeson cfc. Cost – donation. Register by 10th January with Srs Patricia Greene/ **Rita Corry @ 067 32830. Booking essential.**

CLARE HOSPICE AT CAHERCALLA: Weekly Draw Result–1st Prize **€650.00** – Mary Hickey, Drimeen West, Ennis. 2nd Prize **€200.00** – Anne Daly, Corofin. To join contact Fundraising Office 065 --6821966 www.cahercalla.ie

"LAND OF SAINTS AND SCHOLARS - THE STORY OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH IN IRELAND" is a new publication designed to appeal to younger people and children. Told in full colour picture format the book would make an excellent Christmas present. It is a special publication which is only available through parishes and there are pages dedicated to the Diocese of Killaloe. **It costs €10 and is available in churches this weekend and in the Parish Office.**

KILMALEY LOTTO: Numbers Drawn 9, 14, 17, 18. No Jackpot Winner. **Jackpot Next Week €3,200**--- €30 Winners: John McMahon, Clare Curtin, John Laffan, Francis Tierney, Eoin O'Malley. Next Draw on Saturday 7th January. Play online at www.kilmaleygaa.ie

KILMALEY NEW YEAR STEPFITT: 5 week programme comprising of step aerobics and step circuits will commence on Monday 9th 2017 from 7-8pm in the Daycare Centre Kilmaley. Spaces are limited. To book your step contact Clare on 0876855569

OPEN INVITATION TO A TALK BY CHRISTY KENNEALLY ON "LIFE AFTER SUICIDE" at the Temple Gate Hotel, Ennis on Tuesday January 17th at 7.30pm Christy Kenneally is well known for his work in the area of bereavement. The talk is sponsored by Clare Suicide Bereavement Support.

MILFORD CARE CENTRE is offering a Bereavement Support Education Programme (BSEP), running one evening a week for twelve weeks plus one weekend. The course is not suitable for those who have experienced a significant loss in the previous two years. An **Information Evening** for the programme is taking place on the **11th January 2017 at 7.00pm in Milford Care Centre, Castletroy, Limerick** (next to University of Limerick entrance) Please contact Geraldine Aherne, (Education Department) at G.Aherne@Milfordcc.ie or Stephan Sperber (Social Work Department) at S.Sperber@Milfordcc.ie or at 061 485800.

GETTING MARRIED IN 2017? Why not consider a Pre-Marriage Course in Esker, Athenry, in January or later? This course, from Friday night to Sunday lunch, is an approved course. It comes highly recommended by couples who have experienced the weekend. There are courses in January, March, June and October of 2017. Find us on [www.redemptoristsesker.ie/what we do](http://www.redemptoristsesker.ie/what-we-do), or email info@redemptoristsesker.ie

CHORUS IRELAND has three weekends lined up for 2017. The first is in Kilkenny at the end of this month where the choir will rehearse and perform Haydn's The Creation in St Canice's Cathedral from 27-29 January. In the Spring we will be in St John's Cathedral, Sligo, from 21-23 April for the Requiem by Fauré and Duruflé and at the end of June we will be in Limerick for Mozart's Requiem and Coronation Mass in St Mary's Cathedral.

THE BACK TO EDUCATION INITIATIVE, Further Education and Training Centre, Clonroad Campus, Clonroad Business Park, Ennis, Co. Clare are currently recruiting for learners interested in courses in the Childcare area. This QQI Level 4 Introductory programme prepares learners for working in a crèche or other Childcare settings. Modules on the programme include Child Development and Play, Nutrition and Healthy Options and Computer Applications. This QQI Level 4 programme aims to introduce learners to the knowledge and skills required to progress to further learning in Childcare at QQI Level 5. The programme will run on Monday evenings from 6pm – 9pm & Thursday 11am – 4.30pm. commencing on 12th January 2017. Phone: 065-6843633 or Email: Martina.crowleyhayes@lcbtb.ie or Eilish.liddy@lcbtb.ie

ENNIS AND CLARE BRANCH OF THE SAMARITANS are holding Information Sessions at **7.30pm to 10.00pm on Tues 10th & Thurs 12th January 2017** at Sunville, Kilrush Rd., Ennis for people who are interested in joining Samaritans. No formal qualifications or specialised experience are required - anybody (18 years old and over) can become a Volunteer.

CANCER MAN 2 MAN, men only meeting, **Saturday 14th January, 11am** at Clare Cancer Support Centre, Kilnamona. Tel 087 6912396.

STAMP APPEAL - USED STAMPS WANTED: – Don't throw your used postage stamps away. The Apostolic Society would be delighted to receive them. They can be given to any member of the society.

KILMALEY PARISH JOURNAL: This publication is now on sale at all the usually outlets. It contains end-of-year reports from parish organisations, tributes to seven GAA Club Stalwarts who left us during the year, a large section on Kilmaley Parish from old newspaper extracts, and many other items of interest.

COMMUNITY GAMES AGM to take place in the Kilmaley Inn on Wednesday, 11th January, at 8.30pm. New members welcome. Closing date for community games art competition is January, 21st all entries will be collected from Schools on Friday, January, 13th. Any queries please contact Connie Cahill 086 8869785.

YOGA CLASS: Try something new this year! Yoga class begins this Thursday, 12th January at 8.30pm in Kilmaley Day Care Centre €75 covers six classes. For further info contact Kieran 087 795 8381

"God chose us before the world began to be holy."

God has chosen each person in Christ for a particular vocation. If He may be calling you to be holy through a vocation to the priesthood contact: 086 2777139