INCH-KILMALEY-CONNOLLY PARISH NEWSLETTER

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EASTER SUNDAY "Year C"---27th March, 2016

Sun 27th March, @ 9.30am Easter Sunday -- Special Intention

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Eugene McMahon, Connolly 1st Anniversary Mon 28th March, @ 12noon Sat 2nd April @ 12 noon Pauline Gallagher, Slievealoughaun 1st Anniversary

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FIRST FRIDAY: Friday next is the First Friday in April. 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 31st March at 11.00am in the Kilmaley Day Care Centre. All are welcome.

BAPTISM: We welcome into God's family and the Christian Community Cara Ann Pyne & Cian Patrick Pyne, The Crescent, Ennis. We congratulate their parents Emmet and Linda and pray that God will always guide and protect them.

SYMPATHY: We offer our sympathy, support and prayers to the family, relatives and friends of Don Ryan, Summerhill, Ennis father of Padraig Ryan, Knock, Inch. We offer our sympathy, support and prayers to the family, relatives and friends of Sean Howard, Drumquinn, Barefield, father-in-law of P.J. Murphy, Kilmaley buried during the week.

TRÓCAIRE: Over the past weeks of Lent we have been invited to reflect on how we can support the people of Kenya through our prayers and financial support. We thank those who have returned their Trócaire contributions so far and encourage others to do the same. Last year our Parish contributed €2,463 so hopefully we can do as good this year. Many thanks for your support.

SYMPATHY - THANK YOU: A Sincere thanks to all who travelled to Moate for the Funeral & Mass of Teresa Staunton nee Kennedy, Moate & Connolly & to all who sent Mass Cards, expressed support and attended the Month's Mind in Connolly on St. Patrick's Day.

CEREMONY FOR DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY commencing at 2.00 p.m. at Ennis Cathedral on the April 3rd: The Feast of Divine Mercy is a public feast day formally established by St. John Paul 2 in May 2000. The Divine Mercy Devotion is inspired by the experiences and writings of a Polish Nun Sister Faustina who died at 33 years of age in 1938 and was canonised in April 2000. It embraces priests, religious and laity united in their commitment to live mercy in relating to their brothers and sisters, to make the mystery of Divine Mercy known, and to invoke God's mercy for sinners. Novena of Divine Mercy starts Good Friday.

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES: Connolly -Mon @ 12 Noon, Tue & Wed @ 10.00am, Fri @ 11.00am & Sat @ 12 Noon Kilmaley - Fri. @ 10.00am

MINISTRY OF THE WORD: Kilmaley- Sat 2nd April @ 7.30pm Roísín Burke; Sun 3rd April @ 11.30am Brian Flynn Inch—Sun 3rd April @ 9.30am Siobhán Maher Connolly - Sun 3rd April @ 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 €821.80; Priests Collection €213; Catholic Social Services €68.50; All Saints €1; St. Patrick's Day €435.40; Epiphany €3; Education Fund €5; Immaculate Conception €1; Christmas Day €1;

KILMALEY APOSTOLIC WORK SOCIETY: A meeting will take place on Wednesday 30th March at 8.00pm in Fr. Pat's house. All members are asked to attend.

CELEBRATING 60 YEARS OF PILGRIMAGE: This year the Killaloe Diocese is celebrating 60 years of pilgrimage to Lourdes. On 26th June four flights will leave Shannon Airport bringing pilgrims to Lourdes for five days celebrating the Jubilee Year of Mercy. The cost is €687 full board with online discount available on www.joewalshtours.ie. Assisted pilgrims are most welcome to travel and care will be provided by medical, nursing and carers. Cost for an assisted pilgrim is €585. Application forms for assisted pilgrims to Fr Tom Ryan Shannon Pilgrimage Director on 061-364133.

PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND: The Diocese of Killaloe are organising a once in a life time Pilgrimage to the Holy Land for 147 people direct from Shannon Airport for 8 days from 23rd to 31st October. Cost is €1,430. If you ever wished to see ans experience where Jesus lived and ministered this may be your opportunity with a direct flight from Shannon. Booking forms for the remaining places are available from Fr. Tom Ryan, Shannon 087-2349816 or Fr. Brendan Quinlivan, Ennis 087-2736310

PEACE CONCERT IN KNOCK BASILICA: Mayo International Choral Festival is hosting a Peace Concert with the RTÉ Concert Orchestra, in the beautiful surrounds of the fully refurbished Knock Basilica on Saturday, May 14th. This Peace Concert will commemorate the 1916 Rising and World War One. The RTÉ Concert Orchestra will be conducted by David Brophy. The orchestra will perform with a 120 member choir and soloists Anne Marie Gibbons and Owen Gilhooly. For information and tickets, visit www.mayochoral.com.

CLARE PARKINSON'S SUPPORT GROUP: You are invited to come along to the Clare Parkinson's Support Group Meeting at Carrigoran Health & Wellness Centre, Newmarket-on-Fergus at 10.00 am on the last Friday of each month. The next Parkinson's Support Group meeting is on Friday 25th March & for further information contact Frank at 086 370 2207

KILMALEY LOTTO: Numbers Drawn 10, 15, 20, 32. No Jackpot Winner. Jackpot next week will be €9,400---- County Board Ticket Winners: Anne McMahon, Teresa Keane, Kathleen McMahon, Joe & Hailey – Lissycasey, Eoghan, Colm & Dylan Killeen. Next Draw on Saturday 26th March. Play online at www.kilmaleygaa.ie

COMMUNITY GAMES: Inch Kilmaley Connolly Swimming for Girls and Boys U8 – U16 on Wednesday 6th April 6pm – 7pm at Ennis Pool. Registration will be at 5.15pm 2 euros per person. Any queries please contact Deirdre 087 6433021 or Connie 086 8869785

<u>CENSUS 2016</u>: Census 2016 takes place on Sunday night, **24**th **April**, 2016. EVERY household in the country is asked to complete a census form on that night. Over the coming weeks, **enumerators will be delivering Household Census Forms to your home**. **Enumerators will carry ID and all information is confidential. For more information, visit <u>www.census.ie</u>**

<u>CYCLE AGAINST SUICIDE</u>: This year, over 7,000 cyclists are expected to take part in Cycle Against Suicide, travelling over 1,100km around the island of Ireland in 14 days. The Cycle begins in Phoenix Park, Dublin on *Sunday, April 24th* and visits a number of towns across the island; from Cavan to Cookstown, Roscommon and Roscrea, returning to Dublin *on Saturday, May 7th*. Full details of the route and how to register is available at www.cycleagainstsuicide.com. If you would like to play your part in helping to break the cycle of suicide on the island of Ireland, volunteers are always welcome. To volunteer with Cycle Against Suicide, please e-mail wolunteer@cycleagainstsuicide.com. If you would like to provide accommodation for cyclists when Cycle Against Suicide visits your local area, you can do so by sending an e-mail to homestays@cycleagainstsuicide.com.

HUSBANDS AND WIVES: Why not gift one another with a Marriage Encounter Weekend to enrich your communication, rekindle romance, deepen your love and discover the rich spirituality of your marriage. The next Weekend will be at The Cork International Hotel, from 15th -17th April 2016. For more info. and / or to book, visit www.marriageencounter.ie or call 087-784 0408 for a brochure.

MICHAELA FOUNDATION SUMMER CAMP: St. Flannan's College is the host venue for the FIRST EVER Michaela Foundation Summer Camp in Clare 2016! From 1st August - 5th August 2016 up to 80 girls aged 11-13 will engage in a host of activities centred around Michaela Foundation's life without limits ethos in St Flannan's College, Ennis. Each day will be jam-packed with fun to keep Campettes entertained, inspired and wanting more! Furthermore, each Campette will also receive their own exclusive Michaela Foundation Camp Jersey from O'Neill's as well as many other treats. Campette's will enjoy activities across the five key elements of Fun, Faith, Fashion, Well-being and Fáilte. Registration now OPEN! Interested Campettes are advised to register early as to avoid disappointment. Some Camps were fully subscribed within hours in 2015! Camp costs £60 / € rate equivalent. Please visit the Michaela Foundation website to find out more as well as details on how to register: www.michaelafoundation.com

<u>RISING AGAINST CANCER 48HR FAST IN ENNIS ON APRIL 7TH.</u> Candle light procession to Cathedral on April 8th at 6.30pm followed by concert commemorating 1916, remembering Dympna O'Sullivan. Admission by donation. All proceeds to Sláinte an Chlair, Clare Cancer Support. Tel 087-6912396.

<u>BLOOD DONOR CLINIC:</u> This will take place at the West County Hotel, Ennis from Tuesday 29th – Thursday 31st March & Monday 4th April from 5 – 8 p.m. and also on Tuesday 5th and Wednesday 6th April from 2- 5 p.m. Please support

<u>CLARE LOCAL DEVELOPMENT COMPANY</u> are pleased to announce that from 'FARM TO FORK' a Horticulture Course will be running in Miltown Malbay for 40 weeks from 25th April. The course will contain a mix of academic and practical subjects leading to a QQI major Award in Horticulture and is designed to provide learners with the knowledge, skill and attitudes to follow a career in Horticulture. Participants must be long-term unemployed and in receipt of a Social Welfare Payment. Further information contact 086 6866800.

<u>CLARE BURREN MARATHON CHALLENGE - SAT MAY 28TH:</u> The Burren, Ballyvaughan, Co. Clare. Choice of Full, Half & 10K Mini marathons. Walk - Jog - Run, both on & off road, across the beautiful Burren terrain. Entry options & info: http://www.clareburrenmarathonchallenge.com/ or phone 087 7779714. Charity Groups, individuals, runners, walkers - everyone welcome to take part.

BACK TO EDUCATION INITIATIVE (BTEI) IS OFFERING QQI LEVEL 4 FOOD AND CATERING COURSE in the Adult Education Centre, Clonroad, Ennis starting in mid-April. This is a part-time course for adults who wish to develop their skills to work in the hospitality industry. Free Tuition to Social Welfare recipients and their dependents and Medical Card holders. If interested, call Eilis or Martina at 065-6897650 / 684-3633.

FROM 5TH – 7TH MAY, BEALTAINE/AGE AND OPPORTUNITY AND GLÓR, in association with Clare County of Culture are hosting a national event called <u>VOLTage</u>. This event will platform the many extraordinary projects and creative activities which bring together artists and older people from Clare and throughout Ireland. <u>VOLTage</u> at Glór includes theatre, film, music, visual arts as well as an Arts & Health Seminar which features a number of guest speakers focussing on creativity and the arts in health, care, and wellbeing. See www.glor.ie for further information.

TAI CHI CLASSES FOR PEOPLE WITH ARTHRITIS: The Clare branch of arthritis Ireland Tai Chi classes are continuing in Ennis at Cois na hAbhna on Fridays at 11am. Session of 6 classes costs 30 euro. Please contact 087-1328190 for further details

An Easter Parish Prayer

God of the Resurrection lead us all we pray,
out of the tomb that entraps us,
the disappointments that embitter us,
the despair that paralyses us,
and the fear that holds us hostage.
Open our eyes and soften our hearts to help
us see your face in the eyes of others.
Make us the church you meant us to be,
the people of faith you call us to be,
bridge-builders, healers, ministers of reconciliation.
Deliver us from Friday's darkness and Saturday's fear,
into Sunday's light of hope.
So that we can walk as raised, risen and reborn
Easter people on the road of Life. Amen

Easter Blessings & Happiness to one & all