INCH-KILMALEY-CONNOLLY PARISH NEWSLETTER

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EASTER SUNDAY "A" 16th April, 2017

MASSES: Inch Sun 16th April @ 9.30am Easter Sunday

Sun 23rd April @ 9.30am Maisie Kennedy, Ivy Hill

Connolly Sun 16th April @ 10.30am Easter Sunday
Sun 23rd April @ 10.30am Special Intention
Kilmaley Sat 15th April @ 9.00pm Easter Vigil

Sun 16th April @ 11.30am Easter Sunday

Sat 22nd April @ 7.30pm Tom Carmody, Culleen, Month's Mind Sun 23rd April @ 11.30am Michael & Mary Ann O'Neill, Drimanure Thomas & Veronica Haren, Lecarrow

Maria Ryan, Kilmaley

<u>BISHOP FINTAN - PASTORAL LETTER</u>: A Pastoral Letter is available this weekend from Bishop Fintan Monahan. The title of his first Pastoral is "Diocese of Killaloe- A Welcoming People of God" Copies are available in the porches.

TRÓCAIRE – Last year our parish contributed €2,200. Contributions can still be handed in during the coming week. We ask your generous support.

<u>ANNIVERSARY MASSES:</u> April Group Anniversary Masses are as follows - <u>Kilmaley</u> – Sat 8th at 7.30pm & Sun 23rd at 11.30am Connolly – Sun 9th & Sun 23rd at 10.30am; Inch – Sun 9th & Sun 23rd at 9.30am

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES: Connolly - Mon, Tue, Wed @10.00am Kilmaley - Thurs, Fri, Sat @ 10.00am

MINISTRY OF THE WORD: Kilmaley – Sat 22nd @ 7.30pm Anne McMahon, Sun 23rd @ 11.30am Ann O' Loughlin; INCH – Sun 23rd @ 9.30am Brid Higgins Connolly – Sun 23rd Apr @ 10.30am Martha Dillon

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 €922.60; Priests Collection €320; Catholic Social Services €4; St Patrick's Day €26; Trócaire €52; Education Fund €2; Lourdes €2;

<u>THE ART OF MINDFUL LISTENING</u>: An 8-week Introduction to Counselling Skills including Personal Development, Theory and Skills Practice; running Thursday evenings from 4th *May until 22nd June 2017 from 7 – 10 pm* at the Clare Education Centre in Ennis. For further details please ring Pauline Bradley MIACP on 087 6383988

<u>FAITHCAST</u> is the new weekly podcast from catholicnews.ie, the news source for the Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference. Presented by Brenda Drumm, Faithcast is a mixture of interviews and news snippets from the Catholic Church in Ireland. It is published every Monday and is available on catholicnews.ie.

<u>DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY 23RD APRIL ENNIS CATHEDRAL 2.15PM</u> Devotions, Confessions, Mass and Benediction: The Feast of Divine Mercy is a public feast day formally established by St John Paul II 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

<u>KILMALEY NATIONAL SCHOOL – ENROLMENT MEETING</u> for Parents/Guardians of children for the 2017/2018 school year. Venue: Kilmaley National School. Date: Tuesday the 16th May 2017 Time: 7.30pm

INVITATION TO CELEBRATIONS AT KILMALEY N.S. ON SUNDAY MAY 28TH 2017: Kilmaley N.S. is celebrating the official opening of the new extension by Bishop Fintan Monahan and this occasion will also commemorate the history of the school through the generations. The celebrations will commence with mass at 11.30 in St. John's Church Kilmaley, followed by an open event in the school which will include, The Official Opening, A Presentation by children, Art Displays, A Photo Display of school life past and present, A Tree Planting Ceremony representing all pupils from pre 1966 and 1966-2016 (in which all are invited to participate on the day), A Hand Print Mural representing pupils from 1966-2016 (in which all are invited to participate on the day) Refreshment and music. A Parents Association Family Sports Fun Event will follow in the school field at 2pm approx. All members of the school past and present and all members of the wider community are invited to attend this joyous occasion where you will receive a 'Céad Míle Fáilte'.

BOOK LAUNCH IN KNOCK: You're invited to a book launch in Knock Shrine bookshop on Saturday 22nd April at 2.30pm: "The Lamb Will Conquer: Reflections on the Knock Apparition" by Fr Nigel Woollen (curate of Knock), launched by Most Rev. Fintan Monahan, Bishop of Killaloe. Book also available (€10) on Knock Shrine and Veritas websites.

ANNUAL MASS & ANOINTING FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES AND CHRONIC ILLNESSES will be held in Ennis Cathedral on Wednesday, 3rd May at 2pm with Bishop Fintan Monahan as chief celebrant and homilist. All are welcome.

<u>DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK</u>: The annual <u>Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock</u> will take place on *Sunday 2nd July 2017*, sharing with Ferns. This year Ferns Diocese will lead the ceremonies. *Save the date – specific details will be announced later*.

<u>PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND:</u> Follow the footsteps of Jesus from Galilee to Jerusalem. Take the TRIP of a LIFETIME to the HOLY LAND, June 12-22nd 2017. Group Leader, Mícheál de Barra and Spiritual Director, Fr. John Newman (Bible Scholar). Contact Mícheál at 0868337681 or email culturaltoursireland@gmail.com.

<u>KILMALEY LOTTO</u>: Numbers Drawn 1, 7, 12, 29. No Jackpot Winner - Jackpot Next Week €2,500 ---- €30 Winners: Alan Markham, Brendan Slattery, Edel Wall, Robert Dillon, Grainne Barry. Next Draw on Saturday 15th April. Play online at www.kilmaleygaa.ie

<u>CLARE HOSPICE AT CAHERCALLA</u>: Weekly Draw Result—1st Prize €650.00 — Conor Cavanagh, Fermoy. 2nd Prize €200.00 — Aileen Doohan, Ennis. To join contact Fundraising Office 065 --6821966 <u>www.cahercalla.ie</u>

REVISION COURSE- FRENCH: Carinne di Francesco (of St. Flannan's College) will run a One-Day Intensive Revision Course for 2017 Honours Leaving Certificate French students on Tuesday, April 18, 10am-4.30pm. Emphasis will be on techniques to achieve excellent grades in the Reading and Listening Comprehensions and Written Production. Further enquiries to 083 828 77 08

COMMUNITY GAMES: Inch/Kilmaley/Connolly Community games sports **Fri 28th April, Lees Rd at 7pm**. Registration at 6.30pm.

MATT O'CONNOR OPEN SPORTS: Matt O'Connor Memorial Open Sports Day at Lees Road on Sunday 23rd April commencing at 2pm. Registration at 1pm. Starting with the U/7 Girls & Boys races. All are welcome.

<u>FREE DIGITAL SKILLS CLASSES:</u> *TOPICS COVERED:* Introduction to the internet, Internet safety & security, Email, Search engines and websites, Online Government Services, conducting everyday transactions, Online voice and video calls, use of "Apps". Classes are held over 5 days (2 hours per day) if anyone wishes to enrol or need more information please contact Pauline/Mary Ellen at CIOC, Elevation Business Park, Clonroad, Ennis, Co Clare. Phone: 065 6841009 or email: education @cioc.ie.

<u>CLARE 250-MILE CYCLE</u>: The Annual Church Gate Collection in aid of the Clare 250 Mile Cycle will take place next weekend 22nd/23rd April 2017. Your local Representative is Rose Enright. Your continued support is greatly appreciated.

KILMALEY CAMOGIE CLUB will hold a medal presentation this Sunday (Easter Sunday) at 6.30pm sharp in the Kilmaley Inn. Our teams that won medals in 2015 and 2016 will be presented with their medals by Eimear Considine. They are as follows, Community Games, Under 13A Shield, Under 14A Shield, Under 15 and Junior League all from 2015. In 2016, the following teams won championship medals. Under 13A plate, Under 16B championship, Minor B Shield and Under 21B Shield. This presentation is open to all friends and families of Kilmaley Camogie Club. A great night is assured.

APOSTOLIC WORK SOCIETY: On Sunday 30thApril the Annual Display of work will take place and we ask your support. Cake sale, and raffle on the day. Donations of cakes, jams etc. would be appreciated. If anyone would like to donate a sacred vessel they should contact any member of the society as soon as possible. If anyone has used stamps, they would also be appreciated and can be handed in on the day.

Easter Reflection

Breaking through the powers of darkness Bursting from the stifling tomb He slipped into the graveyard garden To smell the blossom air.

> Tell them, Mary, Jesus said, That I have journeyed far Into the darkest deeps I've been In nights without a star.

Tell them, Mary, Jesus said, That fear will flee my light That though the ground will tremble And despair will stalk the earth I hold them firmly by the hand Through terror, to new birth.

Tell them, Mary, Jesus said,
The globe and all that's made
Is clasped to God's great bosom
They must not be afraid.
For though they fall and die, He said
And the black earth wrapped them tight
They will know the warmth
Of God's healing hands
In the early morning light.

Tell them, Mary, Jesus said, Smelling the blossomed air Tell my people to rise with me To heal the earth's despair.

Easter Blessings & Happiness to all