

INCH-KILMALEY-CONNOLLY PARISH NEWSLETTER

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MARY- MOTHER OF GOD --- 1st January, 2017

MASSSES:	Inch	Sun 1 st January @ 9.30am	New Year's Day
		Fri 6 th January @ 9.30am	Agnes Devany, Magowna, Month's Mind
		Sun 8 th January @ 9.30am	Special Intention
	Connolly	Sun 1 st January @ 10.30am	New Year's Day
		Mon 2 nd January @ 7pm	Thomas Monahan, Corncreagh 1 st Anniv.
		Fri 6 th January @ 10.30am	Agnes Doherty, Blackpool, England, Month's Mind
		Sun 8 th January @ 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
	Kilmaley	Sat 31 st December @ 7.30pm	Special Intention
		Sun 1 st January 2017 @ 11.30am	New Year's Day
		Thur 5 th January @ 7.30pm	Vigil Feast of Epiphany
		Fri 6 th January @ 11.30am	Feast of the Epiphany
		Sat 7 th January @ 7.30pm	Gerard (Ger) McNamara, Fortville
		Sun 8 th January @ 11.30am	Special Intention

FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY: Friday 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 Thursday 5th @ 7.30pm; **Friday Morning** – Inch 9.30am, Connolly 10.30am, Kilmaley 11.30am

FIRST FRIDAY: Friday next is also First Friday in January. Fr. Pat will visit his Communion calls on **Thursday 5th January** at the usual times.

BAPTISM: We welcome into God's family and the Christian Community **Luke Ross McCarthy, Ballymacooda, Kilmaley**. We congratulate his parents Simon and Ann and pray that God will always guide and protect him. We welcome into God's family and the Christian Community **Holly Mae Carmody, Shantulla, Inch**. We congratulate her parents Patrick and Sharon and pray that God will always guide and protect her.

MARRIAGE BLESSINGS: We congratulate and wish every Blessing to **Eithne Corry, Magowna, Inch & Stephen Brady, Whitehall, Dublin** who were married on 17th December in the Church of St. Patrick, Mohill, Co. Leitrim. 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 **Agnes Doherty, Blackpool, England** mother of Paul Doherty, Feighroe, Connolly who was buried recently.

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, Sat @ 10.00am

MINISTRY OF THE WORD: Kilmaley - Sat 7th @ 7.30pm Roisín Burke Sun 8th @ 11.30am Deirdre Neylon
Inch – Sun 8th @ 9.30am Anne-Marie Upenieks Connolly – Sun 8th @ 10.30am Martha Dillon

ROSARY IN CONNOLLY CHURCH: Rosary will be recited in Connolly church on Saturday the 7th January at 7pm. All are welcome.

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 joewalshtours.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**

"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 3, 8, 11, 16. No Jackpot Winner. **Jackpot Next Week €3,100----** €30 Winners: Padraig McGough, Grainne Barry, Sean Hehir, John Hennessy, Michael Keane. Next Draw on Wednesday 31st December. Play online at www.kilmaleygaa.ie

CLARE HOSPICE AT CAHERCALLA: Weekly Draw Result–1st Prize **€650.00** –Ursula Foudy, Inagh. 2nd Prize **€200.00** – P.J. Lynch, Cross. To join contact Fundraising Office 065 --6821966 www.cahercalla.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

CAHERCALLA HOSPICE YELLOW RIBBON REMEMBRANCE TREE PROJECT 2016 in association with Lions Club of Ennis together with Ennis Rotary Club Ecumenical Closing Ceremony at ***The Oratory Cahercalla Hospital January 6th 2017 at 6pm.*** Led by Bishop Fintan Monahan, Bishop of Killaloe. *Yellow Ribbons from the Tree will be brought in procession during the Ceremony and all those remembered will be prayed for.* Everyone Welcome to join us celebrate this very successful partnership.

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, or email info@redemptoristsesker.ie

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@lcebt.ie or Eilish.liddy@lcebt.ie

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

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.*

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