INCH-KILMALEY-CONNOLLY PARISH NEWSLETTER

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Baptism of the Lord "Year C" 10th January, 2016

MASSES: Inch Sun 10th January @ 9.30am Michael Cullinan & Family Members, Cragleigh

Paddy O'Malley, Cappalea South

Sun 17th January @ 9.30am Special Intention

Connolly Sun 10th January @ 10.30am Nancy Crawford, Feighroe, Connolly

Cathy Crawford

Patrick & Annie Crawford

Sun 17th January @ 10.30am Special Intention

Kilmaley Sat 9th January @ 7.30pm Martin & Nora O' Sullivan, Furroor

Michael Lynch, Bealcragga Gerard McNamara, Fortville Michael Lynch, Fairy Hill House Nora Lynch, Fairy Hill House

Sun 10th January @ 11.30am Special Intention Sat 16th January @ 7.30pm Special Intention Sun 17th January @ 11.30am Special Intention

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION - PRAYER RITUAL: A meeting of the Core Group of parents will take place on Monday 11th January at 8pm in Fr. Pat's house. This is to plan for the next First Holy Communion Prayer Ritual which will take place in Kilmaley Church on Saturday 23rd January at 7.30pm, Inch on Sunday 24th at 9.30am and Connolly Church on Sunday 24th at 10.30am.

<u>SYMPATHY:</u> We offer our sympathy, support and prayers to the family, relatives and friends of **Thomas Monahan**, **Corrancreagh**, **Connolly** who was buried during the week. **V.Rev. Tom O' Dea A.P. Ballynacally / Lissycasey** who was buried during the week

MASS AND THE SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING will take place on this Thursday 14th January at 11.00am in the Kilmaley Day Care Centre. All are welcome.

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

MINISTRY OF THE WORD: Kilmaley - Sat 16th @ 7.30pm Fintan Cabey; Sun 17th @ 11.30am Éadaoin Hennessy Inch -- Sun 17th @ 9.30am Brid Higgins Connolly - Sun 17th @ 10.30am Roisin Ni Ceallaigh

BASKET & ENVELOPE COLLECTIONS: A sincere thanks to all who contribute so generously every weekend to all the various collections: The total collected last weekend was as follows - Weekly Envelope €1,002.95; Priests Collection €285; Christmas Day €15.50; Epiphany €223.50; Feast of the Immaculate Conception €7.50; Missions €6; All Saints €4; Sick & Retired Priests' Fund €8

JUSTICE & PEACE: Pope Francis letter for the XLIX World day of peace might inspire some encouragement and nurture some good will, especially in areas of our Diocese affected so badly by flooding. "In looking ahead to the New Year, I wish to encourage everyone not to lose hope in our human ability to conquer evil and to combat resignation and indifference; to demonstrate our capacity to show solidarity and to rise above self-interest, apathy and indifference in the face of critical situations". Food for thought from Pope Francis....

LOURDES 2016: The 60th Pilgrimage from the Killaloe Diocese to Lourdes will take place from 26th June to 1st July 2016. €687pps full board, no change in price. Book online at www.joewalshtours.ie and get €10 discount.

MEDJUGORJE PRAYER MEETING: Monday Jan 11th at 8pm: District Daycare Centre, Clarecastle. All welcome.

TOONAGH CHARITY WALK FOR SEEKING VISION CLARE SUNSET FOUNDATION: Sunday 17th Jan 2016 @ 12.30pm. Register Toonagh Hall @ 11.30am, Entry fee €10. 3 Routes to suit all levels of fitness 2k, 5k & 10.5k. Start & Finish at Toonagh Hall. Refreshments served after walk. Children welcome (no entry fee for children). Info Breda 085-1947763. Please support, give a little and feel good.

LOCAL PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORJE HOLY WEEK AND EASTER 2016 EX DUBLIN: Also in a different Pilgrimage Fatima for 13th May 2016 for Feast Day of Our Lady of Fatima also taking in Saint Anthony's Baptismal site Church and House in Lisbon. Food, Buses, Hotels and Flights included. Contact James Treacy 061921470

<u>KILMALEY NEW YEAR STEPFITT</u> 6 week programme comprising of Step Aerobics/Step Circuits, commencing Monday 11thJanuary 2016 7-8pm. Kilmaley Day-care Centre contact Clare on 087 6855569 to book your place.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND: In response to Pope Francis call to the Year of Mercy, the Diocese of Killaloe is organising a Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Holy Land, direct from Shannon Airport to Tel Aviv for 8 days, departing on *Sunday 23 October 2016 and returning direct to Shannon on Monday 31 October*. The cost will be €1,430, half board, including all taxes, coaches and tips. There will be 147 places available to the Diocese. Booking forms can now be obtained from Fr. Tom Ryan Shannon 061-364133 or Fr. Brendan Quinlivan in Ennis Cathedral 065-6824043. The form can also be downloaded from the Killaloe Diocese website www.killaloediocese.ie. A Pilgrimage to the Holy Land is for many people a once in a lifetime opportunity that brings the story of the Gospel alive. The last Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Holy Land was in 2008.

<u>KILMALEY LOTTO</u>: Numbers Drawn 7, 12, 21, 22. No Jackpot Winner. **Jackpot next week will be €8,300**---- €30 Winners - Anna & Christy Guerin, Michael Connellan, Aoibheann Markham, Margaret Connellan, Eoghan, Colm & Dylan Killeen. Next Draw on Saturday 9th January. Play online at <u>www.kilmaleygaa.ie</u>

<u>CONNOLLY CHURCH CHOIR -THANK YOU</u>: Connolly church choir wish to thank you all for the generous contributions during their recent carol singing. We wish you all a very happy new year and thank you for your support throughout the past year.

SAMARITANS ENNIS AND CLARE BRANCH will be holding information evenings this Tuesday 12th and Thursday 14th January 2016 at 7.30pm in their Centre on the Kilrush Road, for people interested in becoming a Samaritan Volunteer. Please call 089-2475946 if you are interested in attending one of the information evenings. Each evening will last approx. 2 hours

<u>WINDFARM MEETING</u>: A meeting about the proposed Salaboula Windfarm will be held at the Bogdale Bar, Lisroe this Monday, 11th January at 8.30pm. It is important that people from the whole parish attend as there will be discussion on the implications of the proposed under-road cable which may disrupt water and other services. All elected representatives are invited to attend.

<u>KILMALEY PARENT & TODDLER GROUP</u> starts back this Thursday 14th Jan from 11-1pm at a new venue Woodstock Hotel (Leisure Centre). Parents, Toddlers & Babies are welcome for fun activities such as play, arts/crafts, singing and storytelling. Why not join us for a cup of tea and a chat! If you require further information, please contact: Niamh on 0877424030 or Tricia on 0868349455

<u>MINDFULNESS BASED STRESS REDUCTION</u> with Anne Buckley. 8 Week Programme Starts Wed. 20th January 10.30am to 1pm weekly Venue: The Red Gates, Corofin. Contact Anne 085 8108633 <u>annebuckley08@gmail.com</u>

<u>FITNESS WALKING IRELAND</u> are organising 1hr walking sessions in the Lees Road Ennis on Tuesday and Thursday mornings at 10am starting on Tuesday January 12th. It is an ideal opportunity to fit in some exercise to help lose weight, tone up, strengthen bones and improve balance. For more details, please visit: www.fitnesswalkingireland.com where you can pre-register for a 10 week programme.

<u>DANCE CLASSES</u>: World Champion Irish Dancer Michael Donnellan commences classes in Lissycasey Hall on Wednesday 13th January. Children Classes, beginner & advanced 6-7p.m. Adult Dance fit all levels on Thursday 14th 8.15 – 9.15 p.m.

MUSIC GENERATION CLARE, part of Music Generation, Ireland's national music education programme, are launching the County Clare Trazz Experience, a large ensemble music experience where traditional music meets jazz. Open to all secondary school students who can play/read music. Rehearsals begin January 17th at 10am in Teach Ceoil, Sraid an Teampaill, Ennistymon. See our Facebook page for application details - closing date is 13th January. For further information, tel: 065-6828107 or email: info@musicgenerationclare.ie.

<u>CLARE COMMUNITY GAMES:</u> Entries for U10 and U12 Handwriting competitions will be collected at all schools in the Parish this Thursday, 14th January. The final will take place in Tulla Secondary School on 30th January. Anyone interested, please contact Connie Cahill at 086 8869785 or Deirdre Neylon 087 6433021. Details of all Competitions and rules are available on the Clare Community Games website.

A PRAYER FOR THE NEW YEAR

May we have enough happiness to keep us agreeable

Enough trials to keep us strong,
Enough sorrow to keep us human,
Enough freedom to keep us happy,
Enough failure to keep us humble
Enough success to keep us eager
Enough wealth to meet our needs,
Enough faith to banish depression,
Enough hope to look forward,
Enough love to give us comfort,

And **enough determination** to keep going.