INCH-KILMALEY-CONNOLLY PARISH NEWSLETTER

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SECOND SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME "A" 15th January, 2017

MASSES: Inch Sun 15th @ 9.30am Special Intention

Sun 22nd @ 9.30am Michael Cullinan & Family, Cragleigh

Paddy O'Malley, Cappalea South

Quinn Family Members, Church Road, Inch

Connolly Sun 15th @ 10.30am Special Intention

Sun 22nd @ 10.30am Special Intention

Kilmaley Sat 14th @ 7.30pm Special Intention

Sun 15th @ 11.30am Special Intention

Sat 21st @ 7.30pm Patsy McGuane, Lisroe 1st Anniv. Sun 22nd @ 11.30am Frank & Lena McNamara, Lispuckane

> Mollie McCarthy, Shean Thomas Frawley, Shean D.J. Lynch, Boulineaska

Gertrude Vaughan, The Market, Ennis

<u>HOLY COMMUNION & RECONCILIATION:</u> The Enrolment Ceremony for the boys and girls who are preparing for these Sacraments will take place in Kilmaley Church on Saturday 28thJanuary during 7.30pm Mass. We ask you to remember our boys and girls in your prayers at this time.

<u>BAPTISM</u>: We welcome into God's family and the Christian Community **Dylan Thomas Fitzpatrick, Gortmore, Ennis.** We congratulate his parents Oliver and Fiona and pray that God will always guide and protect him.

SYMPATHY: We offer our sympathy, support and prayers to the family, relatives and friends of **Tim Meere, Birmingham** brother of Peggy Lynch, Shean who died in England during the week.

ANNIVERSARY MASSES: The dates for the January 2017 Grouped Anniversary Masses are as follows - <u>Kilmaley</u> – Sat 7th at 7.30pm & Sun 22nd at 11.30am <u>Connolly</u> - Sun 8th & Sun 22nd at 10.30am; <u>Inch</u> – 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 21st @ 7.30pm Mary Ita Griffin Sun 22nd @ 11.30am Seamus Lynch Inch – Sun 22nd @ 9.30am Martina O'Loughlin Connolly – Sun 22nd @ 10.30am Roisin Ni Ceallaigh

MIGRANT AND REFUGEE SUNDAY, 15TH JANUARY: Child Migrants, the Vulnerable and the Voiceless" is the theme chosen by Pope Francis for Migrant and Refugee Sunday. Since this time last year we have welcomed some Syrian families to the diocese, some to Shannon Parish and a couple to Sixmilebridge. In Shannon, the families are dispersed throughout the town so that integration will take place organically and naturally. We wish them all well in their new home.

<u>JANUARY IS HUMAN TRAFFICKING AWARENESS MONTH</u>: This dreadful crime which exploits children, vulnerable adults and the poorest of the poor for the benefit of greed is so prevalent on our world. Victims are subjected to rape, torture, violence, abuse, starvation and forced abortions. We ask you to pray for the victims of this dreadful crime and to ask your local politicians to take steps to ensure that preventative steps are being taken by the Irish Government to halt this disgraceful human atrocity.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA AND ST. ANTHONY'S SHRINE: The Killaloe Diocese is organising an 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.

8 DAY PILGRIMAGE & HOLIDAY TO FATIMA & ESTORIL: This will take place from 18th – 25th August. A 5 day pilgrimage to Fatima for the Centenary year 2017 which will include a visit to the shrine of St. Anthony in Lisbon. 3 days relaxation at the popular holiday resort of Estoril. The Pilgrimage will travel direct from Shannon to Faro. Limited numbers of places available. For further information contact Mary O'Loughlin 065-7084000 or 085-2252251.

<u>AN INTRODUCTION TO CENTERING PRAYER AS TAUGHT BY THOMAS KEATING</u> 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.

AS WE FACE INTO THE COLDEST SPELL OF WEATHER FOR A LONG TIME, the Killaloe Diocese Justice and Peace Committee encourages you to keep an eye on elderly neighbours, friends and family members. A quick phonecall or visit to ensure that they are warm enough and have enough food would make a world of difference.

"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.

<u>KILMALEY LOTTO</u>: Numbers Drawn 16, 20, 28, 29. No Jackpot Winner. **Jackpot Next Week €3,300**---- €30 Winners: Rose Enright, Nora O'Rourke, Joan Healy, Teresa Brew, Clare Lynch. Next Draw on Wednesday 14th January. Play online at <u>www.kilmaleygaa.ie</u>

<u>CLARE HOSPICE AT CAHERCALLA</u>: Weekly Draw Result — **1**st Prize €650.00 — Sean McDermott, Ennis. **2**nd Prize €200.00 — Madeleine Brassil, Ballynacally. To join contact Fundraising Office 065 --6821966 www.cahercalla.ie

<u>KILMALEY NEW YEAR STEPFITT:</u> 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

<u>MUSIC LESSONS</u>: Music lessons available on accordion, fiddle, concertina, whistle and beginner banjo. Contact Josephine Marsh at 0877570015.

<u>KILMALEY TODDLER GROUP - TABLE QUIZ:</u> Table Quiz in aid of Kilmaley Toddler Group will be on Saturday 28th January in Carney's Bar Connolly at 8.30pm. Tables of 4. Raffle & Spot Prizes on the night. Come out and support us! It will be a fun night for all!"

<u>OPEN INVITATION TO A TALK BY CHRISTY KENNEALLY ON "LIFE AFTER SUICIDE</u>" 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.

ALZHEIMER SUPPORT GROUP: If you are caring for someone with Dementia this is an opportunity to meet with others who are also caring for their family members. Should you need support or advice please drop in for a chat and a cuppa on Thursday 19th January at 7.00pm Guest Speaker Eilis Thompson OT, Clare Mental Health Services for Older People, Alzheimer Society of Ireland, Cuan on Chlair, Cahercalla, Ennis. For details contact 065 6868621.

<u>GETTING MARRIED IN 2017</u>? 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

<u>AN EVENING COURSE IN PRACTICAL PHILOSOPHY</u> will begin on Tuesday Jan 17th at 7.30pm in the Clare Education Centre, Government Office, Kilrush Road, Ennis. Registration begins at 7.15pm. Any queries contact 087-2282382

<u>DESIGNER MINDS</u> will be running a Primary Science, Design and Technology after-school club in Ennis. 1 hour of hands-on STEAM activities each week, for girls and boys who love to design, build and experiment. Starts week of 23rd January. Visit www.designerminds.ie or call 087 631 0411

<u>STAMP APPEAL - USED STAMPS WANTED:</u> – 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.

BACK TO EDUCATION INITIATIVE (BTEI), FURTHER EDUCATION & TRAINING CENTRE, Clonroad Business Park, Ennis: We are offering you the opportunity to take part on our Introduction to Sports and Recreation programme. This is an area of growth which introduces the students to the area of Sports & Recreation Studies and prepares them for a Major Award at Level 5. All those who successfully complete the programme are guaranteed an interview for a level 5 programme with the BTEI Clare programme. Contact Martina Crowley-Hayes/Eilis Liddy 065 6843633 martina.crowleyhayes@lcetb.ie / eilish.liddy@lcetb.ie

ANGLERS CLUB A.G.M.: The Kilmaley & District Anglers after 40 years in existence are holding their A.G.M. on **Thursday 26**th **January in the Kilmaley inn at 8pm** We would like to see the young people of the area to attend.