

INCH-KILMALEY-CONNOLLY PARISH NEWSLETTER

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FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER "YEAR B" 22nd April 2018

MASSES:	Inch	Sun 22 nd April @ 9.15am Sun 29 th April @ 9.15am	Special Intention Andy Clancy, Bushypark Sr. Mary Clancy, Dublin & Bushy Park
	Connolly	Sun 22 nd April @ 10.30am Sun 29 th April @ 10.30am	James & Mary Wynne, Tullaghoboy Special Intention
	Kilmaley	Sat 21 st April @ 7.30pm Sat 28 th April @ 7.30pm	Special Intention Johnny & Mary McMahon, Kilclogher Mary McMahon, Lecarrowmore Thomas & Veronica Haren, Lecarrow Mary Neylon, Culleen Michael & Flan Neylon, Cahermore

TODAY IS KNOWN AS "GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY": A day when the Church asks us to pray in a special way for vocations to the priesthood and religious life. The purpose of this day is to publically fulfill the Lord's instruction to, "Pray the Lord of the harvest to send labourers into his harvest" (Mt 9:38; Lk 10:2). Please pray that men and women will hear and respond generously to the Lord's call to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life. We currently have three seminarians. With gratitude to God, we look forward to the ordination of Martin Shanahan from the parish of Kilmurry Ibrickane on June 3rd. A recent vocations promotion was attended by four men from the Diocese and they are now considering entering to study for the Diocese of Killaloe. Please keep them in your prayers in a special way. If you would like more information please call Fr. Iggy McCormack our Diocesan Vocations Director on 086 277 7139.

SYMPATHY: We offer our sympathy, support and prayers to the family, relatives and friends of **Paul Rynne, Glendine, Miltown Malbay** who was buried during the week.

BAPTISM: We welcome into God's family and the Christian Community **Aoibhinn Claire Murphy, Cloonbooly, Connolly**. We congratulate her parents Kieran & Mairaid and pray that God will always guide and protect her.

MARRIAGE BLESSINGS: We congratulate and wish every Blessing to **Marie Lynch, Recallan, Kilmaley & Brian Slattery, Fermoy, Co. Cork** who were married on 14th April in the Church of St. Michael the Archangel, Connolly. We pray that God will bless their journey of married life and fill them with happiness.

FAMILY PICNIC DAY: The World Meeting of Families takes place in Ireland this year, the highlight being the visit of Pope Francis in August. Here in the Diocese of Killaloe there will a Family Picnic Day on Sunday, May 6th as part of our celebrations. The venue will be the Showgrounds in Ennis and it will run from 2pm to 6pm. This will be a **free event with lots of things for children to do and lots of music and entertainment for all ages**. Bring your own picnic and there will be prizes for the best. No BBQ'S allowed.

NATIONAL AWARD FOR AN CLUAINÍN RETIREMENT VILLAGE: Kilmaley Voluntary Housing Association has been named one of the overall winners at the **National Age Friendly Recognition and Achievement awards 2018**. This is in acknowledgement of the achievements of all the work completed by the committee in developing and running An Cluainín Retirement Village, a development of 24 independent/assisted living houses with facilities available from the adjoining Daycare/Health Centre. **Congratulations to all the committee and everybody who supported us on this journey.**

TRÓCAIRE: Total amount contributed so far is **€3,064**. Thank you for your extreme generosity so far. If anyone would still like to contribute please do in the coming week as all contributions need to be sent to Trócaire via the Diocesan Office.

ANNIVERSARY MASSES: April Group Anniversary Masses are as follows- **Kilmaley** – Sat 14th at 7.30pm & Sat 28th at 7.30pm **Connolly** - Sun 15th & Sun 29th at 10.30am **Inch** – Sun 8th & Sun 29th at 9.15am

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES: Connolly – Mon, Tue & Wed @ 10am Kilmaley – Thur, Fri, @ 10am No Mass on Saturday

MINISTRY OF THE WORD: **KILMALEY** - Sat 28th April @ 7.30pm Ann Griffin

INCH – Sun. 29th April @ 9.15am Moira Lawlor **CONNOLLY** – Sun 29th April @ 10.30am Martha Dillon

ALTAR SERVERS ROTA: Sat 28th April @ 7.30pm Group A; Sun 29th April @ 9.15am Group D; Sun 29th April @ 10.30am Group A

APOSTOLIC WORK (KILMALEY) since its foundation in 1981 has supported the work of Irish Missionaries. The fruits of their fund raising efforts and the work of their own hands has made a real difference. If you are blessed with the talents of knitting, sewing, baking etc. and are willing to help, the society would welcome your support for its **Annual Display on Sunday, 6th May, 2018**. If anyone would like to donate a sacred vessel such as chalice or ciborium (full list of items and price available from parish website on www.kilmaleyparish.ie in memory of a loved one or in petition or thanksgiving for a favour they are welcome to do so and should contact **Maureen O'Rourke @ 6839054** as soon as possible. **If you have used stamps, they would also be appreciated and can be handed in on the day.**

THE RELICS OF ST PADRE PIO AND ST FAUSTINA ST THERESE AND ST PHILOMENA will be in St Senan's Church Kilrush 29th April 2018 for a day of prayer with mass at 3pm all are welcome!

ADOPTED ADULTS: Peer support group for Adults that were adopted takes place the last **Tuesday of every month in Ennis from 7-9pm**. If interested in attending please contact **087-9212530 between 10am and 4pm Monday to Friday for more details.**

BURREN OUTDOOR RETREAT Friday 18th - Sunday May 20th. Would you like to come on a guided journey through the Burren in Co Clare with its limestone pavements, rare flora and ancient sacred sites? Let the beauty of the amazing Burren landscape renew you in body and soul. Phone Mary 087 970 1130 or Nóirín 087 9459 151

CHOIR – WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES: On Friday August 24th at the World Meeting of Families Congress, the Munster Province (which includes Killaloe diocese) are invited to form a combined provincial choir to sing at 2 major liturgies (9am Morning Prayer in the Simonscourt RDS, and 4pm Eucharist in the RDS Arena). If your choir would like to participate please contact Mr Derek Mahady directly at Music@worldmeeting2018.ie. I encourage your choir to participate on this day focused on the theme of HOPE!

CLARE HOSPICE AT CAHERCALLA: Weekly Draw Result–1st Prize **€650.00** - Fr. Joe McMahon, St. Flannan's College 2nd Prize **€200.00** – Helen Sheil, Cooraclare. To join contact Fundraising Office 065-6821966 www.cahercalla.ie

KILMALEY LOTTO: Numbers Drawn 5, 9, 22, 28. No Jackpot Winner - Jackpot Next Week €5,800 ---- €30 Winners – J O'Connell, Ciara Kennedy, Eoghan, Colm & Dylan Killeen, Kieran Murphy, Jason Pyne. Next Draw on Saturday 21st April. Play online at www.kilmaleygaa.ie

11TH ANNUAL CLARE BURREN MARATHON CHALLENGE - Sat May 26th 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.

URGENT: Volunteers required to save the 8th Amendment. Whether you are in Kildysart, Kilmaley or Kilbaha, you can help by giving just a couple of hours of your time over the next few weeks. We are a local pro-life group in the West Clare area seeking volunteers to help with door-to-door canvassing and information street sessions in the run up to the referendum on May 25th. Training provided. Every No vote counts, every life matters. Please contact 086-1908318.

LISSYCASEY TRACTOR RUN: Sunday 22nd April 2018, registration from 11.30am at Fanny O'Dea's, Entry €20. Leaving Lissycasey @1.30pm, stopping in Cranny for refreshments & kids pedal tractor parade @2.30pm, finishing in Lissycasey with music by Patrick Roche. Spot prizes on the day. Proceeds in aid of Clare Suicide Bereavement Support, Streetwise (Brothers of Charity) & Lissycasey Playground" Contact Brian 087-7990609; Martin 086-8307475

UGANDA 6 KM FUN RUN AND FAMILY WALK in Barefield on Sunday April 29th at 12 Noon. Registration begins 10.00am from Hassetts. € 10 per person, € 20 per family, prizes and spot prizes on the day including prize for first buggy home. Face painting, DJ and Post race Refreshments. All funds go to Hospice Jinja and the restoration of Walakuba Special Needs School. Contact John Conroy 087 6666927 or Frank Landy 087 7726617 On- Line registration: <https://register.primoevents.com/ps/event/ugandafunrun>

CLARE HAVEN SERVICES would like to thank the people of Kilmaley & Connolly for their generosity at our recent Church Gate Collection. **The amount raised was €313.22. Many thanks.**

FAMILY CARERS IRELAND: Are you caring for a family member at home? A spouse, a partner or a close relative or neighbour? Then you are a Family Carer, become a member of Family Carers Ireland and benefit from a local and national network that helps family carers who need advice and that informs and influences Government policy relating to home-based care. As a member you can also avail of our exclusive deals. For more information call 05793 22920 or visit our website www.familycarers.ie

HEALTH CARE ASSISTANTS REQUIRED: Full & Part time hours available. QQI Level 5 in Health Care Support/Community Health or similar. Patient Moving & Handling. If currently studying for this award, applicants will also be considered. Experience required. Contact: Bluebird Care Clare on 065-6868222 or Email clare@bluebirdcare.ie

ENNISTYMON PROLIFE WORKSHOP: Falls Hotel, Thursday April 26th at 7.30pm. Speakers: Paddy Manning and Michael O Dwyer.

RALLY4LIFE: to Save the 8th. Join LoveBoth Shannon on Friday 27th April at 6.30 in the Oakwood Arms Hotel Shannon for a family friendly information and social evening with inspirational pro-life speakers, music, lots of chat, children's entertainment and face-painting. Free of charge. All are welcome.

CLARE 250 MILE ANNUAL CHURCH GATE COLLECTION will be taken up next weekend at all masses in the parish. Representing the parish this year is Rose Enright and Yvonne O'Connor. Your support would be much appreciated.