

The Newsletter

November 2017

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Harvest Thanksgiving display at Lacca

Clonenagh Group of Parishes

Annatrim, Borris-in-Ossory, Lacca, Mountrath, Roskelton, Seir Kieran.

Parish Notes

Condolences to the Allen family on the recent death of Amanda, and to the Lalor family on the recent death of Joan Mitchell.

The death of **Louise Moynan** in the early hours of 27th September caused great sadness in the Borris-in-Ossory area and beyond. Louise was a wonderful neighbour and friend and at the time of her death was rector's churchwarden in Borris-in-Ossory, a task which she carried out with great diligence. She will be greatly missed. Sympathy is extended to her brother Abe, sister-in-law Meta and family, and her sisters Harriet and Vera relatives and friends.

On the following Saturday 30th September, **Quennie Walsh** passed away quietly in her home. She was a parishioner of Borris-in-Ossory church all her life and was a valued choir member and always willing to lend a hand. Sympathy is extended to her daughter Ann relatives and friends.

Memorial Service for John Chambers (Johnny) in Lacca Church 24th September
Johnny was son of Jack and Sophie Chambers of Whitefeild's, Killenure and brother of Sam and Tim. He attended Offerlane School, and at 19 he went to England and joined the R.A.F. He later married, had two sons and one daughter, and two grandsons. He devoted the last ten years to his life to his local church, St. Boniface in Southampton, where he was Church Warden. Family and friends including his sister Shaddy and his sons Ben and Sean came from England and joined the Chambers family for the service at Lacca Church and burial of ashes in Annatrim graveyard afterwards. The Rev. Tim Irvine conducted the service and burial.

Lacca Harvest Service was on Sunday 15th October and we had congregation of 111. The collection for the Bishop's Appeal came to €406. Our thanks to Mr Billy Kingston for conducting the service and to the Lacca ladies for the lovely tea afterwards. Also a big thank to Sylvia Stotesbury for decorating the church so beautifully.

Lacca Fellowship meeting takes place on the 9th of November at 8pm.

Our thanks to Mr Mervyn Tomb and Mr James Bennett who will lead these meetings during the vacancy. We use the Late Evening Office from the Book of Common Prayer, sing three hymns, discuss the Gospel reading from the previous Sunday and spend some time in prayer. We finish with a cup of tea, and all are welcome.

On Friday 13th October, the pupils of **Clonenagh National School** celebrated Harvest by hosting a special assembly. Parents joined in with our celebrations. The pupils led the readings and the prayers. They also sang so beautifully and Junior Infants especially enjoyed the actions to "If I Were a Butterfly." Mabel Peavoy spoke to the pupils about the colours of Harvest and they answered her questions with great enthusiasm!

Our **Cumann na mBunscol** team have played well this season and have just one match left. We wish them luck with this. We thank Mrs. McCarthy for coaching them, the parents for providing transport and of course a big thank you goes to the players. Well done!

Mervyn Tomb leads the monthly **Family Service** in Lacca at 10.30am on Sunday 26th November. Everyone is welcome.

Mothers' Union opening service in St. Peters Church Mountrath this Monday night October 23rd at 8pm, followed by a short meeting and a cup of tea in the rectory.

Girls Friendly Society leaders and girls all enjoyed a visit to Mountrath Fire Station on Friday 29th September in preparation for their badgework.

If anyone has extra time on their hands and would be available to assist with photocopying and preparation for meetings, please speak to Jennifer or any of the leaders.

November Meeting Dates:
Friday 10th, 7.15-8.45pm, Parochial Hall
Friday 24th, 7.15-8.45pm, Parochial Hall

There will be a **combined Carol Service** of Clonagh National School and the Parishioners in St. Peter's Church on Wednesday December 20th 2017 (time to be confirmed).

Third Sunday evening service in Lacca November 19th at 4pm followed by tea.

Midland Simon Community would like to thank Annatrim and Lacca for their support at the church gate collection on the 12/13 August. €126 was raised.

Leprosy Mission boxes should be returned to Olga Telford by December 5th so that the money can reach the charity before Christmas.

Harvest Thanksgiving in Borris-in-Ossory church on 29th October at 10.30am. This is a fifth Sunday Group Service.

Thursday Bible Club will meet in the Parochial Hall, Mountrath, 6.30-7.45pm on 16 & 30 November, and 14 December.

Mountrath MACEP (formerly FÁS) are holding a church gate collection on Sunday November 26th.

Come along to our

Bibles
Children's Books
Nativity Sets
Gifts & Handmade Crafts
Christmas CDs
& Much More!

CHRISTMAS Book and Gift Days

23 & 30 November
THURSDAYS 7 December
10.00am—5.00pm

In the Parochial Hall, Mountrath
(Opposite Church of Ireland)



Tea and Coffee available throughout the day



All Are Welcome!

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Mental Health Engagement

Be part of your local forum

We agree to meet regularly.

Where our shared experiences move from words to actions.

This is the place for me to contribute my opinion of the mental health services in my area.

Forum meetings will be held every month in my locality.

My local forum is a space to voice my experiences and views to improve outcomes for all.

Find out more:

Your local forum will meet:

Venue: Trilogue Centre, Bridge Street, Portlaoise
(Opposite The Parish Catholic Church)
 Time: 6.15 P.M. – 8.00 P.M.
 Dates: 2nd Thursday of the Month
 Thurs 14th September, 12th Oct, 9th Nov, 14th Dec
 Website: www.hse.ie/mentalhealthengagement
 Contact: Duana McArdle duana.mcardle@hse.ie
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The **Laos Mental Health Forum** has recently been set up in Portlaoise. The Local Forum is open to Mental Health Service Users, Family Members, Carers and Supporters. The group will meet the second Thursday of every month and early meetings are for Forum Development and where people who are interested can find out more, develop ways of working together as a group and begin to come together to work on common issues.

These Forums have been, and are being set up throughout the country as a way of linking the experiences of those on the ground, dealing with mental health issues whether as a user or a supporter, with the service providers, i.e. the HSE. It's a great way to say what is working, what could be better and how and what changes are needed. Ideas explored within the Local Forums will be passed on to Development Committees who will pursue issues further.

There will also be opportunities for training and for Local Forum members to form part of the Development Committees should they wish to do so. A wonderful way for the people on the ground to get their voices heard. The Forum is actively welcoming new members.

Services & Readings

October

Fifth Sunday 29th	Deuteronomy 34: 1-12 Psalm 90: 1-6, 13-17 1 Thessalonians 2: 1-8 Matthew 22: 34-46	Borris-in-Ossory 10.30am Harvest Thanksgiving
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November

First Sunday 5th	Joshua 3: 7-17 Psalm 107: 1-7, 33-37 1 Thessalonians 2: 9-13 Matthew 23: 1-12	Seir Kieran 9.30am Morning Prayer	Roskelton 9.30am Morning Prayer	Lacca 10.30am Holy Communion	Mountrath 10.45am Morning Prayer	Borris-in-Ossory 11.00am Morning Prayer
Second Sunday 12th	Joshua 24: 1-3a, 14-25 Psalm 78: 1-7 1 Thessalonians 4: 13-18 Matthew 25: 1-13	Annatrim 11.00am Holy Communion			Mountrath 11.30am Morning Prayer	
Third Sunday 19th	Judges 4: 1-7 Psalm 123 1 Thessalonians 5: 1-11 Matthew 25: 14-30	Seir Kieran 9.30am Morning Prayer	Roskelton 9.30am Holy Communion	Borris-in-Ossory 11.00am Holy Communion	Mountrath 11.30am Morning Prayer	Lacca 4.00pm Service of the Word or Evening Prayer
Saturday/ Fourth Sunday 25th/26th	Ezekiel 34: 11-16, 20-24 Psalm 100 Ephesians 1: 15-23 Matthew 25: 31-46	Seir Kieran Saturday 8.00pm Evening Prayer	Lacca 10.30am Family Service	Annatrim Sunday 11.00am Morning Prayer	Mountrath Sunday 11.30am Morning Prayer	

PLEASE NOTE: This timetable is PROVISIONAL and is subject to change
Check on www.clonenagh.com for the most up to date information

Parish Diary

October

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 29th Sunday.....Borris-in-Ossory Harvest Thanksgiving (page 3)

November

9th Thursday.....Fellowship Meeting (page 2)
 10th Friday.....GFS Meeting (page 2)
 16th Thursday.....Thursday Bible Club (page 3)
 19th Sunday.....Lacca Third Sunday Evening Service (page 2)
22nd Wednesday...Closing date for December 2017 Newsletter
 24th Friday.....GFS Meeting (page 2)
 26th Sunday.....Lacca Family Service (page 2)
 26th Sunday.....Mountrath MACEP collection (page 2)
 30th Thursday.....Thursday Bible Club (page 3)

Items for the December 2017 Newsletter need to be with the editor by **WEDNESDAY November 22nd AT THE LATEST**, so that the Newsletter can be assembled in time for the Fourth Sunday, November 26th. **PLEASE** make your item as ready for publication as possible, and most importantly, please ensure that names are spelled correctly.
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