

## VATICAN STAMPS HONOUR IE2012

Special edition postage stamps have been issued by the Vatican to commemorate the 50<sup>th</sup> International Eucharistic Congress held in Dublin in June. The Vatican's Philatelic and Numismatic Office has produced 12 stamps for 2012, two of which are described as being "distinctly Irish". The images on these pay tribute to the land of Ireland and the sharing of the Gospel in Ireland. They include a Celtic Cross from the Rock of Cashel in Tipperary and the Ardagh Chalice. The stamps can be bought at the Vatican Post Office in Saint Peter's Square and from the philatelic and numismatic office website at vaticanstate.va by following the links to the post office section.

## CLONDALKIN CAMERA CLUB

Clondalkin Camera Club has resumed the weekly meeting every Monday in Scoil Mhuire Hall, opposite Round Towers GAA Club. Door opens at 7.30pm. There's a full programme of events, workshops, guest speakers, until the end of next May. All levels of experience catered for and all are welcome. Beginners Classes will be run from 5<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> October. For more information please come along or send email [clondalkincameraclub@gmail.com](mailto:clondalkincameraclub@gmail.com)  
Tim O'Brien, Secretary

## EPIC DANCE AND PERFORMING ART

EPIC Dance & Performing Arts is a new community stage school for boys and girls aged 4-17 in Ballyfermot & surrounding areas. Students will learn Hip-Hop, Singing, Drama, Musical Theatre & lots more! Every Monday at the Ballyfermot Resource Centre from 3:30pm, classes are €5 each, paid every 4 weeks.

For more details email [epicperformingarts@gmail.com](mailto:epicperformingarts@gmail.com), find us on Facebook or call Sarah 0851227058

## FR. JOHN TAKES UP HIS NEW POST

"The hardest part of any friendship is when it's time to say goodbye. As much as we might like things to stay the same, change is an inevitable part of life."

Our wishes for you as you take up your new post on Friday are:

"May you have  
A world of wishes at your command.  
God and his angels close to hand.  
Friends and family their love impart,  
(Old Irish Blessing)

## PARISH WEBSITE

The Parish Website is up and running and can be visited on [www.clondalkinparish.com](http://www.clondalkinparish.com)


## CHILDREN'S CORNER

Aoife Kerrigan is this week's winner. Congratulations Aoife! Your prize is waiting to be picked up by you from the Sacristy after Mass today.

## THIS WEEK'S QUIZ

**PLUS** OR **MINUS?**  
PRINT PLUS OR MINUS SIGNS IN THE  
EMPTY BOXES TO ARRIVE AT THE GIVEN  
ANSWERS.

A	5	4	3	=6
B	3	9	5	=7
C	9	3	2	=8



Your entries must be with us by Tuesday email – [ellenteresacoyne@eircom.net](mailto:ellenteresacoyne@eircom.net) or Wednesday morning to the Sacristy please.

## CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS

Notices and submissions for the Newsletter must be received before 10.30am on **WEDNESDAY** morning to be considered for inclusion into that week's edition. Envelopes marked "PARISH

# PARISH NEWS

## IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CLONDALKIN

### PRIESTS of the Parish

#### Village

- Church Sacristy/Office (Phone/Fax) 459 3520
  - Very Rev. John Wall P.P., St. Columba's, 4640441
  - Fr. Damian Farnon C.C., St. Cecilia's, 4592665
  - Fr. Jim McCaffrey C.S.Sp. C.C., St Mary's, 4064329
- Clonburris - Fr. Shan O Cuiv C.C., The Presbytery, c/o Parish Office  
Knockmitten - Fr. Desmond Byrne C.S.Sp. C.C., 45 Woodford Dr., 459 2323

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Parish Email Address - [clondalkinchurch@eircom.net](mailto:clondalkinchurch@eircom.net)

## FAREWELL JW

Dear Friends,

On the 15<sup>th</sup> September 1988 I entered Clonliffe College, the Diocesan Seminary. One of the first people I encountered was the Professor of Sacred Eloquence or Homiletics. His name was Fr. John Wall or JW to his friends. I discovered recently that JW was the same age then as I am now and I thought he was old!!! From the outset he stressed the importance of preparing one's homily, of keeping hobby horses in their stables and not to bore the congregation! Six years later he was present at my ordination and first Mass and we worked together in the north inner city for many years.



JW carries a multitude of phrases and expressions but the one that resonates most with me is from Isaac Newton: "Plato is my friend, Aristotle is my friend, but my greatest friend is truth." In his twelve years here JW has done so much to move our understanding of parish from being the 'Church building' to 'building up the Church' as the People of God.

I'm sure the entire Parish join with me in wishing Fr. John all the best in Enniskerry; we thank him for all he has contributed to the faith community of Clondalkin and assure him of a warm welcome whenever he visits.

Ad multos annos  
Fr. Damian

## WEDDINGS

Congratulations and best wishes to:

Karen Ní Mhurchú and Jamie Thompson

recently married.



## DEATHS

We extend our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of:

Elizabeth (Liz) Walsh, Bushfield

recently deceased. May she rest in peace.



## ADORATION

This Thursday, 13<sup>th</sup> September Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will be in **CHURCH**

**In the morning:** from after 10am Mass to 11.45am

**In the evening:** 7pm to 9pm and all are welcome

## FATIMA PILGRIMAGE

The Parish Pilgrimage to Fatima is underway. They left Saturday morning. We wish them a happy time and pray for their safe return and hope they will remember us all while there

## CHURCH DUTY

**Cleaning:** Bernardine Wynne, Veronica Bayly, Tracy Whelan and Josephine Hearty

**Altar Linen:** Angela Minihan

**Flowers:** Maura Gaffney

(Church in use Friday at 11.30am school Mass)

## NOTICES

### Monday 10<sup>th</sup> September

Miraculous Medal Novena after 10am Mass and Rosary.

Legion of Mary meets in the Convent at 7.30pm. New members are welcome

### Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> September

Lectio Divina under the guidance of Sr. Anne in the Pastoral Centre after 10am Mass and Rosary

## HOLY MASS IN THE PRAYER GROUP

This Wednesday, 12<sup>th</sup> September Fr. Fergal Ó Duill will celebrate Holy Mass in the Pastoral Centre at 8pm for 8.15pm start.

Come and join us - you will be most welcome

## FINANCE REPORT

The Finance Committee acknowledges with thanks receipt of €5,744 – your contributions over the last 3 weeks

## ANNIVERSARIES

### Monday 10<sup>th</sup> September

10.00am Kathleen Reeves

### Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> September

7.30am Esther Farrell

10.00am Eamonn Farrell, B/day Rem

### Friday 14<sup>th</sup> September

10.00am Evelyn Jones

### Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> September

7.30pm (Vigil) Elizabeth (Betty) Clarke, 6<sup>th</sup> An

10.30am Michael McDermott, 1<sup>st</sup> An  
William Cashin

12 Noon Niamh, Bill and Rory

McDonnell

Tadg O'Neill

Pat and Jennie Maher

Cyril Murphy

Peggy Dooley

5.30pm Michael McDermott, 1<sup>st</sup> An  
and please pray for Jim O'Donovan whose anniversary occurs at this time

## CLONBURRIS

### Mass Intentions

### Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> September

6.30pm John Stynes R.D. brother of Paddy.

### Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> September

11.00am Gerard McKenna B.R.

### *Baptism*

Congratulations to Lucy Ellen Nolan who was Baptised last Sunday.

### *Appreciation*

The Parents children and family members of Pauline Fallon would like to thank all who attended the funeral of their daughter. To all who gave Mass Cards and donations to Our Lady's Hospital they are very grateful. Thanks to all their neighbours and friends who have supported them during Pauline's illness. Pauline's Months Mind Mass will be said on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> of September at 11am.

## THE MONDAY CLUB

"It's good to talk" as the advertisement for the phones say. So we did it face to face last Monday as we caught up with each other after our annual break. It was nice to see so many happy faces as we enjoyed our tea/coffee and biscuits and discussed forthcoming events for the autumn schedule.

First on the agenda will be our fond farewell to Fr. Wall who has been so generous to us with the aid of the Presentation Sisters. We have been truly blessed with such a lovely venue and so next Monday Fr. Wall has taken a few minutes from his busy time packing up to come in to say his goodbyes. We will be open after Mass and Rosary and extend a warm welcome to those who wish to see him and wish him well.

Joan Steed

## LEGION OF MARY PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK

on  
**SUNDAY 23<sup>rd</sup> SEPTEMBER 2012**

Bus to knock departs from TESCO Clondalkin at 7.55am.

**FARE:** €18.00

**CONTACT:** Nora – 4591068,  
Alfie – 6246376,  
Jane – 0851435035

## GALLERY NEWS

The "Gallery Choir" after its holiday will resume singing at the 10.30am Mass on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> September. We are still hoping that new members will join. There are no special requirements needed of previous musical knowledge.

The word "holiday" nowadays refers to a break from normal activities. However the origin of the word reveals a much deeper meaning, since the term "holiday" initially signified a free time in which one could attend religious services to commemorate a particular Saint or feast day.

The pre-industrial peasant worked for many less days that his/her modern counterpart. In 1570 James Pilkington, Bishop of Durham wrote "the labouring man will take his rest in the morning...at noon he must have his sleeping time... in the afternoon another rest...at night at the first strike of a clock he casteth down his tools.... The medieval calendar was also filled with Church holidays as well as vacation at Christmas and Easter.

The industrial revolution, in approximately 1800 brought about changes to working conditions which resulted in a twelve hour, seven day week. in 1882 enlightened thinkers implemented legislation that would reduce the number of hours worked and give holiday entitlement to all employees; thus creating time for leisure and relaxation.

Phyllis