



# Clondalkin Village Parish

Immaculate Conception & St. Killian Church



## Clonburriss † Knockmitten

Parish Newsletter

Sunday, 11th December 2016



The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt - a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after



Four Gifts for you this Advent

those days, says the LORD. I will put my law within them, and write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. *Jeremiah 31:31-33*

As a child, every year before Christmas I drew up a list of the toys and presents that I had my heart set on receiving. Usually there was that one special item that I just knew would gladden my heart and make me feel complete.

This week in Advent we focus on hearts: glad hearts, sad hearts, hard hearts, broken hearts, longing hearts. In the Scriptures much is written about hearts because the heart represents the person's deepest identity. Our hearts reveal who we most truly are because they hold what we most deeply desire.

What's in your heart? We can give many answers to that question, and it's a good question to ponder during this week of Advent. But God has an answer for that question, too. "I will put my law within them, and write it on their hearts," says the Lord. So in addition to whatever else might be in your heart, you can also be sure that the law of the Lord is written - in permanent ink - on your heart. That law is love.

It's time to live out what's in your heart. I know that when I've gotten confused and lost in my faith there is one sure way to find my way back, and that is to love somebody. In my confusion, I look around to see who in my life could use a loving response. It might be my daughter, who's confused about a decision she faces and needs someone to listen - truly listen; my son who needs a bit of quality Father-Son time. Or it might be my wife, who is overwhelmed with responsibilities and could use a helpmate to shoulder some of those duties. Or it might be that my parish offers me an opportunity to get involved or the chance to help make Christmas happier for a family in need. The Advent gift this week is the love God places in our hearts.



### Theme: God Calls Us to Conversion of Heart

The bottom line is that we have to take responsibility for ourselves. The seed of change in our families, in the community, and in the world begins with answering God's call to meet us and to change our heart. In the midst of a world going insane, in a life filled with so many pulls and demands, it seems a small thing to do. But one heart in tune with God can resonate in our families and through our families and communities into the world. Can you be the heart in tune? On this **Guadete Sunday** be, embody and spread the JOY you want to see in this world!! *Frank, PPW*



These gifts are given freely to be OPENED - ENJOYED + SHARED

### Masses

#### Clondalkin Village

**Sundays:** (Vigil) Sat 7.30pm, Sunday 9am (Gaeilge) 10.30am (Choral), 12 noon (Family) & 5.30pm

**Weekdays** (Mon - Fri) 7.30am and 10am. Sat 10am

**First Fridays** 7.30am, 10am.

**Holy Days** 7.30pm (Vigil), 7.30am, 10am

**Confessions** Sat 10.30 - 11am & 6.45 - 7.15pm

#### Clonburriss

**Sundays** (Vigil) Sat 6.30 pm,

**Sunday** 11am (Family);

**Holy Days** 11am

**Confessions** Before Masses

#### Knockmitten

**Sundays** (Vigil) Sat 6.30pm,

**Sunday** 10am, 12noon (Family)

**Weekdays** Mon to Fri 9.30am

**Holy Days** (Vigil) 6.30pm;

**Holy Day** 11am

**Confessions** Sat 6pm &

by request

#### Parish Office Hours

**Clondalkin:** Mon-Fri 9:30 - 12:30

**Clonburriss:** Contact through Village

**Knockmitten:** Mon-Fri Mass times

**Submissions for Newsletter:**  
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Thanks to local artist Helena McGuinness for sending in her sketch - "7:30 mass in Clondalkin Village Church"

*It is all about being mindful that, ultimately, this is a season of joyful expectation for the most wonderful Gift of all, freely bestowed by a loving God on all of us.*



## Advent Reconciliation Service



**Clondalkin Village Church**  
**Tuesday 20th Dec**  
**7:30pm**



*Prepare the way of the Lord  
 All are Welcome!!*



You are invited to join with us for a

## Family Advent Celebration



A Short Advent Prayer Service For Our Parents, Grandparents, Guardians & Families

**Where:** Clondalkin Village Parish Church

**When:** 20th December

**Time:** 2:45pm

**Join Us!**

Dear Santa,  
 I already have everything I could possibly wish for this year. Get my family, good friends and LOVE. Please take care of those who need you. THANK YOU!! XX

Today is **Gaudete Sunday** - This is the name given to the third Sunday of Advent. The name "Gaudete Sunday" is taken from the words of the introit, *Gaudete in Domino semper, "rejoice in the Lord always."* The Scriptural basis for this Sunday comes from Philippians 4:4,5. Similar to Laetare Sunday during Lent, Gaudete Sunday is a minor "break" from the more penitential nature of the Advent season, and signals a shift from a penitential style of waiting to a more joyful tone. In the past, when organs and flowers were forbidden during the Advent Season, they were permitted during Gaudete Sunday. Because of the more joyful tone of Gaudete Sunday, rose coloured (*pink*) vestments may be used instead of the normal violet ones. Also, the rose coloured Advent candle is lit on the wreath!!

**GAUDETE MEANS REJOICE DON'T LOSE HEART**

## 13th Dec



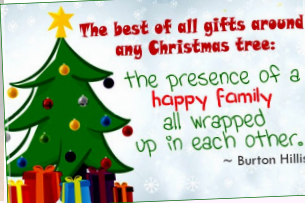
### A BODY BOTH SUFFERING AND GLORIOUS THE MYSTICAL UNION OF CHRIST AND THE CHURCH

Clearly answering the question, "What is the Church?", Bishop Barron presents the reality of the Church as one, holy, catholic and apostolic. The Body of Christ can be seen on earth from the Church's centre in Rome to the cities of New York, Sao Paolo, Manila, Namugongo and Uganda, while still escaping total understanding as the mystical union between Christ and his Church.

Bishop Barron also explores the Catholic conviction that the life and presence of Christ continues to embrace humanity in all its joys and sorrows through the presence of the Church.

The 3rd in our series of 4 Advent inputs continues on **Tuesday 13th Dec** from 7.30pm upstairs in the Pastoral Centre. Join us for a Film, cuppa & discussion.

*This week is hosted by Fr Pearse from Sruleen!!*



### Good News! - Do you like art work?

There will be "pictures to colour" available to be picked up from the shop after mass today. Please have them back for the Environment Ministers to get them ready for display in the church in time for Christmas Day. Fr. Damian will have gift for each person who submits a picture/pictures. We hope you are enjoying the special Children's weekly Advent Newsletter - Lots of fun & interesting stuff.

Make sure you pick up a copy & pick one up for a friend!! I learned on Sunday last that the celebration of Christmas was once banned. "Why" was the chorus of voices at dinner time. We learned "That more mischief is that time committed than in all the year besides, eating and drinking, what banqueting and feasting is then used, more than in all the year besides, to the great dishonour of God and impoverishing of the realm" my brother telling us the reason why.

"Much like now" my dad says,

Crib - decorations - carol singing - presents! What would I miss most ...everything! Tell us what you would miss most.

Don't worry we kids wont let it happen! **Ciara**



You are invited to join with us for an

# ADVENT PRAYER SERVICE FOR ALL THOSE SITTING EXAMS THIS CHRISTMAS TIME!

**COME ALONG**

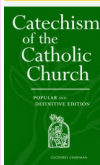
**Where:** Church of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Rowlagh Parish, Collinstown Road, Rowlagh, Dublin 22

**When:** Wednesday 14th December

**Time:** 7pm



EVERYONE IS WELCOME!



**Adult Catechism Studies** - The Fifth Commandment "You shall not kill" - This section covers respect for human life and we are asked to think about the value of human life.

Prayer of the section:

"Lord God, you are the source of our life. Teach us to reverence the life of all persons created in your image and likeness, to protect the life of those most innocent and frail. Enable us to foster a true culture of life so that others too may appreciate your gifts. Amen. Studies will resume after our Christmas holidays on **Wednesday 11th January 2017.** **Ronan**

## CHURCH DUTY



**Altar Linen:** Mary Leonard  
**Church Cleaning:** See note below!!  
**Flowers:** No flowers for Advent.

### Monday 12th December

**Miraculous Medal Novena** after 10am Mass & Rosary.  
**Clondalkin Youth Band** Advent Service in the Church at 7.30pm.



### Tuesday 13th December

**Lectio Divina** under the direction of Sr. Anne in the Pastoral Centre at 10am Mass and Rosary.  
**CCPC Intercessory Prayer** for Clondalkin Parish Cluster. This Tues in the Pastoral Ctr (Downstairs) from 7.30-8.30pm. All welcome.  
**Advent Programme** - every Tuesday of Advent - 7.30 to 9.00pm. Venue: Upper Meeting Room in the Village Church. All welcome.

### Wednesday 14th December

**Charismatic Prayer Group** - Our Lady Queen of Peace. **Early Start** - Rosary before meeting - Mysteries of Light at 7:30pm before Prayer meeting at 8.00pm in Parish Pastoral Centre. All welcome.

**Carol Service** for Gael Scoileanna in the Church at 7.30pm.

### Thursday 15th December

**Legion of Mary** meets in the Convent at 12noon and new members always welcome.

**Adoration** (Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament) 10:45 - 11:45am & then 7pm - 9pm in the Church

### Saturday 17th December

Making of Crib after 10am Mass and Rosary.



## Recently Deceased

**Esther O'Toole, Dunawley Park**

**Eugene McNamara, Castle Park**



We offer our sympathies and prayers for their families and friends at this sad time.



On behalf of the parents in the Irish Dancing Class (Clonburris), I would like to thank everybody who bought cakes at our Cake Sale last Sunday. We had a very successful day - not a crumb was left on the plates! *Thanks to everyone for their support.* **Marian Downey.**

**Monday Club 5th December 2016** This morning after the tea/coffee we had a morning of brain exercises. We had the mad quiz. The questions are randomly picked from "where in the world" series. This was a successful family quiz game television show hosted by Teresa Lowe on RTE1 many years ago. The participants if I remember correctly were different families competing against each other. Then it evolved into a box game which was marketed with great success. The questions can be difficult enough. We have a few bright sparks in the Monday Club who are well up on history, geography, nature etc. Today we had forty questions asked and two had an equal amount of correct answers. Some of the questions asked were: *when were the Olympic Games held in Tokyo?, what bird is the emblem of the US? In which US state is the Catskill Mountains? plus many more.* Some of the questions and answers gave great entertainment and laughter. Congratulations to the two winners Mary and Noel and to everyone who took part. Thanks Joan you did a great job on being Quiz Mistress. We offer our condolences to Peggy O'Neill on the recent death of her sister Louise.

This week I met Kay Lee to give her the donations from the Monday Club and those who gave so generously to the work of Fr Bala. Kay expressed her thanks and gratitude to all. Next week we welcome for the first time the boys of Moyle Park College who are visiting us. Until then take care. **Kathleen R**

## Village Church



### Sunday 11th December

7.30pm Vigil Peter and Annie Nixon (An), Marion Corless (An), Phyllis McGrath (2nd An), Mary Molloy (RD), Teresa & Thomas Foley & deceased family members  
 9.00am Molly & Christopher Hannon (An)  
 10.30am James (Jnr) and Alice Norton (An) Mary Ashe (5th An)  
 12noon Matthew Farrelly (1st An), John Fleming (3rd An), Maura Spollen (An) & deceased family members, Patricia Kelly (An), Carmel Bulter (MM), Phyllis Hennessy and James O'Rourke, Donal Moffat (12th AN) Phyllis Hurrell (4th An)  
 5.30pm Phyllis Hurrell (4th An)

### Tuesday 13th December

7.30am Padraig Faughnan  
 10.00am Edward Kesack & Mary Gallagher

### Wednesday 14th December

7.30am Phyllis McGrath, husband Colin & daughter Wendy.

### Friday 16th December

10.00am St. Joseph's Boys' School will be in attendance.

### Sunday 18th December

7.30pm Vigil Paddy Delaney (1st An), Thomas (Sammy) McDonnell (An), Jack & Katie Fitzgerald & deceased family members, Patrick & Mary Cosgrove and deceased family members. Josephine Fitzgerald all deceased family members.  
 10.30am James Norton Snr (An), Maureen King (5th An) Mary Kirwan & Geraldine Lernihan, Brigid Brannigan (An), John, Lucy & Olive Corcoran Paddy Delaney (1st An), Sr. Catherine Fowley (An) Stephen West (2nd An), Eliz, Nicklos & Eilish Hynes (An), Thomas Murphy (3rd An), William O'Neill (An), Ann Carol Walsh (An), Charles Gray (An), Padraig Faughnan, Kathleen & Michael Shannon, Liam Callaghan & deceased family members, Living & Deceased Residents of Floraville

## Clonburris

### Saturday 10th December

6.30pm Vigil Adam McGuinness (An & Birthday Rem)

### Sunday 11th December

11.00am May Jones (Birthday Rem), Mary Deegan (An), Martin & Mary Walsh (An)



**Lourdes 2017** - Our annual Parish Pilgrimage to Lourdes next year takes place from **12th - 17th May.**

Fare: **€680** per person sharing (single room supplement €150). **Deposit: €100.** Fr. Shán O Cuiv will again be our Spiritual Director and our Pilgrimage will be looked after by Marian Pilgrimages. Booking Forms are now available in the Sacristy, Parish Office and Parish Shop *Padraig Doyle, Group Organiser.*



Altars, windows, ... in short all that doesn't get a lick and a promise during the year will get the full treatment for Christmas. All teams and anyone who would like to lend a hand for this Annual event are invited to come along at **2.30pm on Wed 14th December.** All materials are supplied.

**Kitty**  
*"It is Christmas in the heart that puts Christmas in the air."*