

# **Clondalkin Village Parish** Immaculate Conception & St. Killian Church

Clonburris # Knockmitten

Parish Newsletter

Sunday, 11th September 2016

# GREETINGS FROM LOURDES



Rosary Candle light procession

For the past sixteen years I have travelled as part of the schools and colleges section of the Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes. Around two hundred sixth year students from different schools throughout the Diocese join the pilgrimage to enable the sick pilgrims to have an enjoyable time during their visit at the Shrine and the town of Lourdes itself.

Following recent events, security is much tighter this year and you may have seen pictures of armed French Soldiers and Police in and around the Shrine on the Feast of Assumption and bags are randomly searched on entering the Domain. This has not deterred hundreds of thousands of pilgrims from all over Europe making the pilgrimage. One can see the excitement in the faces of pilgrims originally from Asia and Africa, now living throughout Europe for whom this is the first pilgrimage and the renewing of old friendships of returning pilgrims. In a recent front-page piece for the Parish Newsletter, Christina Malone, one of our Parish Pastoral Workers mentioned the enthusiasm of the young people during the recent gathering for World Youth Day in Krakow. Christina wrote:

"...words cannot explain what it feels like passing amongst people from all over the world on the streets, singing chants, clapping & happy in their faith. Many of the young Irish pilgrims were stunned at how others could be so openly excited and full of energy about their faith"

It is a similar experience in Lourdes. The boys and girls apply through their school for a place as a helper on the Pilgrimage. There is a written application followed by an interview and as each school has only five places competition is fierce!!!!

The sixth year students have various duties, transporting the pilgrims to the various liturgical events, ward duties, Minister of the Word or Music Ministry at the various Masses and stewarding for various events. The boys and girls realise they are quite fortunate and give of themselves one hundred percent.

It is putting their Christian faith into practice and being comfortable expressing that faith. During my short stay here (I'm back tomorrow) I shall offer Masses for all your intentions and for our Parish. Our Lady of Lourdes, Pray for us. Fr. Damian

## Masses

Clondalkin	Village
Sundays:	(Vigil) Sat 7.30pm,
	Sunday 9am (Gaeilge)
	10.30am (Choral),
	12 noon (Family) &
	5.30pm
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Weekdays (Mon – Fri) 7.30am and 10am, Sat 10am First Fridays 7.30am, 10am. 7.30pm(Vigil), 7.30am, Holy Days 10am Confessions Sat 10.30 - 11am & 6.45 - 7.15pm

## Clonburris

Sundays (Vigil) Sat 6.30 pm, Sunday 11am (Family); Holy Days 11am **Confessions Before Masses** 

## Knockmitten

Sundavs (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 **Clonburris:** Contact through Village Knockmitten: Mon-Fri Mass times

Submissions for Newsletter: Parishnewsletter1@gmail.com, Office, Sacristy, by Tuesday not later than 4.30pm

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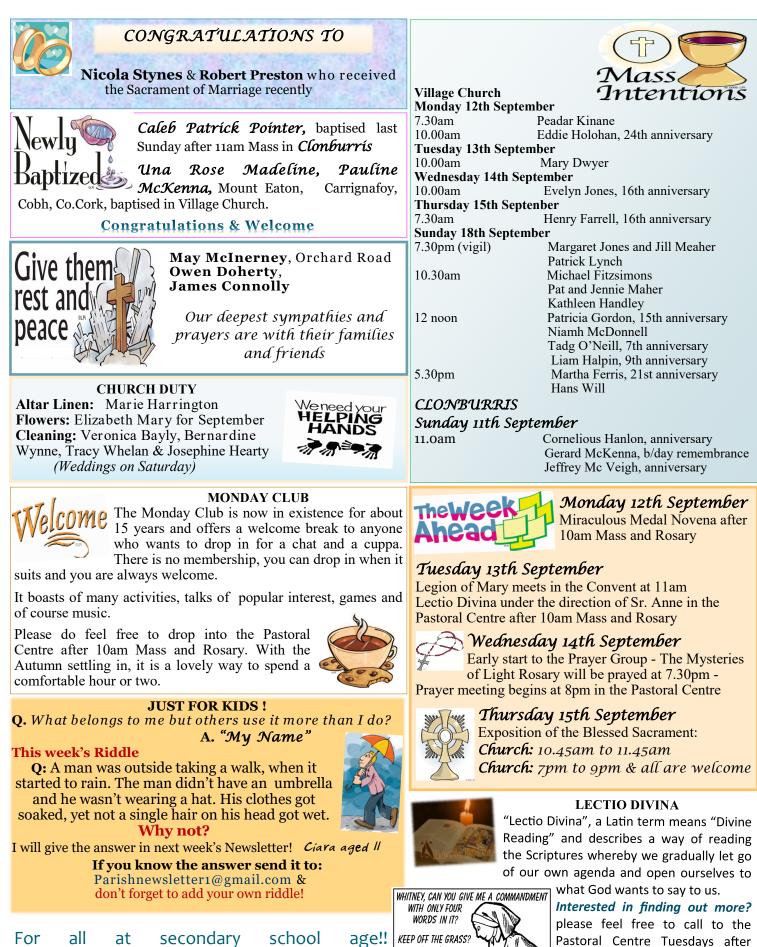
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Join us in Holy Cross College, Clonliffe on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> September from 6.00-9.00pm for an evening of music, prayer, fun, workshops and chatter.



Pastoral Centre Tuesdays after 10am Mass & Rosary and Sr Anne will give more information

"Let the sword of the spirit, the Word of God, live abundantly in your mouth and in your hearts; and whatever you must do, do it in the name of the Lord."

Carmelite Constitutions (No. 82)



In the early 90's Fr. Tom O'Loughlin was Curate here in the Parish. He offered to give lessons on "LOGIC". He was worried lest we be taken in without questioning what the media or advertising were throwing at us.

One morning digressing from "All men are mortal" we concentrated instead on the Reading of the Mass on that day which went as follows: 'I have called you by name'. At that time "formal" was the order of the day. People were addressed by their title e.g. Mr, Mrs. etc. After much discussion about how nice and personal it is to be known by your familiar name and so decided we would put our newly acquired insight into action. Next morning on my way into Mass and accompanied by the priest, who was the celebrant, addressed a lady I knew as Mrs and called her Eileen (Not her real name). She stopped in her

tracks and declared with amazement "today is my 70th birthday and I haven't been called by my name outside my family circle since I left the west of Ireland as a young bride many years ago to live in Dublin. You have made this day special" "Fear not; for I have called you by your name;

you are mine. (Isaiah 43) Ellen

Keep your Gems of Mercy coming!! Local stories & examples. Up to 250 words in length or a picture that needs no words!! We would love to hear from you!!

Email: Parishnews1@gmail.com



# Round Tower Family Fun Day Sunday 11th September 2016

Today, Sunday, 11th September, Round Tower GAA Club is hosting its Annual Family Day. Teams from across the

club have lined up games and activities for kids to participate in. The family day will also feature a barbeque, music, and games for adults. The day is taking place at the club playing grounds at Monastery Road in Clondalkin village and will commence 1pm and run Michael McGlynn

to **5pm**. All are very welcome.



## PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA

Twenty-five parishioners left for Fatima on Wednesday for a seven day pilgrimage. We join our prayers with theirs for Parish, our country and indeed the world. We wish them every blessing and pray for their safe return home

#### **PARISH DIARY 2018**

The Parish diary for 2018 is now available. Anyone wishing to book a wedding may do so through the Parish Office. The Office is open from 9.30am to 12.30pm Monday to Friday (closed Bank Holidays) Tel: (0I) 459 3520

## DUBLIN DIOCESE PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

Fr. Damian is participating in the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes lead by Archbishop Martin. The Pilgrimage left on Thursday 8th September. Of the 2000 pilgrims, included are 180 sick pilgrims staying at the Accueil Notre Dame which is a place of 'welcome' close to the Grotto, another 550 of the



pilgrims are voluntary helpers, made up of nurses and doctors, male and female helpers, known as handmaids and brancardiers, and a team of chaplains. A further 200 young people assist as well in the care of the sick pilgrims and many of these are from secondary schools and colleges from around the Diocese. We wish the Pilgrimage well & pray for their safe return.

#### In the Words of Fr Richard Rohr...



It is not those who say, 'Lord, Lord!' who will enter the reign of God, but those who do God's will." (Mtt 7:21) God of all races, nations, and religions, You know that we cannot change others, nor can we change the past. But we can change ourselves. We can join You in changing our only and common future where you 'reign' the same over all. Help us not to say, "Lord, Lord" to any tribal gods, but to hear the One God of all the earth, and to do God's good thing for this One World.

#### **CLONDALKIN AND DISTRICT** HORTICULTURAL SHOW

The Show will be held in Aras Chrónáin on Sunday 9th October from 10am to 6pm. There are 7 sections that are up for Judging -1) Baking, 2) Photography 3) Art 4) Flower arranging 5) Produce 6 ) Preserves and 7) Crafts

– There are within these, 38 categories for children and 59 for adults - so something for everyone. It is guaranteed to be a Family event the whole family can enjoy. Last year "The Clondalkin Horticultural Show" returned after an absence of 30 years. Entry forms from Maureen in Loza Wool or the Library, must be in by 22nd September. The show is run by a small committee that are committed to making the event a huge success and would welcome volunteers. For further information please contact Cllr Timmons at 087 2869315 or Carmel Lyons at 087 6646705

C.A.M.E. (Clondalkin Adult Morning Education) Monastery Road



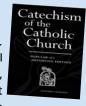
Our next enrolments Monday 12th to Friday 16th September, 10am to 12 noon also Monday 12th from 7-8pm. Classes commence Monday 26th September

New classes this term will include (1) Dance/Exercise class, (2) Mindfulness class, and (3) Hairdressing class. Please see church notice boards for full details or local

Library. Contact number 4640450 or 0867703445 Mary Seery

THE PERSON AND SOCIETY

People are at the heart of Society and all organisations serve the true interest of people. The Catechism cites St. Pope John's XXIII Encyclical "Pacem in Terris" - culture, knowledge, truth, beauty etc affect and should affect economics, politics, laws and society. They are the



higher values, which ought to inspire and animate our everyday life in its different spheres of activities.

Remember the famous quote of a now retired politician: "when I attend a meeting I leave my "Catholicism" outside the door"

The teaching of the Catechism does not agree - we can never loose sight of the higher values.

Study continues on Wednesday at 7.30pm in the Convent

**THE TIDY TOWNS** group has been involved in many projects in the village this year - 1916 commemorative garden near Newlands Cross, the gardens on the banks of the Camac near the Civic Offices, preservation of Mount St. Joseph cemetery, painting of the gates of our Church and St. John's, walls of St. Joseph's School and other places in the Village. Volunteers always welcome especially for picking up litter on

Tuesdays, Saturdays and Sundays. Breeda Bonner





Photos from "Afternoon Tea" courtesy Breeda Bonner

On this, the 15th Anniv of 9/11 we remember the countless innocents who lost their lives and the courageous men & women who put themselves at risk in order to rescue, alleviate and bring solace to the afflicted and we offer a prayer...