

# Clondalkin Village Parish

*Immaculate Conception & St. Killian Church*

Clonburris  Knockmitten

Parish Newsletter

Sunday 14th January 2018



World Day of Migrants and Refugees

Christmas seems so far away now as life takes on some semblance of the routine and ordinary. But, today, as we celebrate the **World Day of Migrants and Refugees** we remember that for many, even within our own community, their reality is far from normal.

During the Christmas season one of the first things we hear about Jesus after his birth is his journey to Egypt. Jesus and his family become refugees, hiding among a people who were not their own, seeking political asylum for the sake of the child. The joy of Jesus' birth is almost immediately marked by the threat of death and the killing of many other children. So the Holy Family flees to Egypt. We see how the shape of Jesus's life and mission began even as an infant in the arms of a worried and vulnerable mother, fleeing with her child to protect him. But like Moses before him, Jesus will survive this killing of the innocents and come to lead his people out of oppression - *even the bondage of sin and death*. The story reminds us both of the circumstances of refugees and displaced peoples and of Israel's story of suffering and hope, bondage and deliverance.

So the call of this Migrant and Refugee Sunday is to first notice. Notice what is happening in the lives around us, be moved to take action and respond with love and compassion. We are challenged today to move beyond our own comfort zone and preconceived ideas and reach out to those who are in need of our help. We are challenged to act counter to a culture of selfishness and self-centredness and be more outward looking, seeing the face of Christ in the displaced, suffering and the poor. We need to experience multiculturalism not as a threat but as an opportunity - as an opportunity to witness to and make real the radical hospitality of the Gospel.

Gospel Hospitality;

**Is a doorway** through which people can discover God & it affirms human dignity as beings created in God's image.

**Is essential** in living the Gospel and being a disciple and **is basic** in our ministry to the poor, the outcast, the forgotten, the shunned, the lonely and the isolated.

**Is about** far-reaching attitudes and culture as well as finite actions.

**Involves** sustained attention, flexibility, and times of rest.

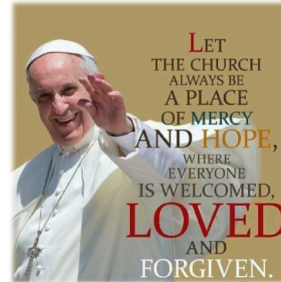
**Welcomes the stranger** and increases the fidelity toward God of both host & guest.

**Challenges** many cultural trends and unjust religious practices that contribute to the breakdown of relationships, church and community.

**Offers a prime setting** to find common connections between different people and builds relationships. **Is a process and outlook**, not an event or location.

**It impacts & involves us all!**

So this week take a moment to ask yourself – *Is our parish a true place of welcome? Does the stranger feel they belong, have a place – do they feel at home? Am I an ambassador of welcome? Am I building bridges?* Frank Brown, Parish Pastoral Worker



## Masses

### Clondalkin Village

**Sundays:** (Vigil) Sat 6.30pm  
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** 6.30pm (Vigil), 7.30am  
and 10.00am

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

### Clonburris

**Sundays** (Vigil) Sat 6.30 pm  
Sunday 11am

**Holy Days** 11am and 6.30pm

### Knockmitten

**Sundays** (Vigil) Sat 6.30pm  
Sunday: 10.00am & 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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## CHURCH DUTY

Altar Linen: Angela Minihan  
Flowers: Kathleen Cosgrove  
Church Cleaning: Rita Arnold

Thank You

### Monday 15th Jan

Miraculous Medal Novena after 10am Mass and Rosary.

### Tuesday 16th Jan

CCPC Intercessory Prayer for 9 Clondalkin Parishes. This Tuesday evening in Parish Pastoral Centre 7.30 to 8.30pm. All welcome.

### Wednesday 17th Jan

Charismatic Prayer Group *Our Lady Queen of Peace*. Prayer Meeting in Parish Pastoral Centre (downstairs) at 8.00pm. All welcome.

### Thursday 18th Jan

Adoration. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Morning: in the Church 10.45 to 11.45am  
Evening: in the Church. Hour of Prayer 8 to 9pm. All welcome.



## Congratulations and Welcome

**Piper Leigh Dennehy**, *Kilmahuddrick Close*  
**James Declan Heaney**, *Newlands Park*



The first Mass of 2018 for the African Community will be celebrated in the Village Church on **Sunday 21st January at 1.00pm**

## Parish Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2018

The pilgrimage this year takes place from **12th to 17th May**. Our Spiritual Director will again be Fr. Shán Ó Cuív and we will be staying at the Hotel Astrid. All in fare is €680. If you book before **1st February** you can avail of the **€50 discount**. Booking forms are available from the Parish Shop, Office and Sacristy.



Children of the local schools preparing for 1st Holy Communion, with parents, sisters and brothers, grandparents and members of the broader families are invited:

**Communion Prayer Service**  
**in the Church on**

**Wednesday 17th January at 6.30pm.**

Christina Malone, PPW



The long awaited and well rehearsed Musical will be staged in **Colaiste Bride** from

**Tuesday 16th Jan to Friday 19th Jan**

**"All Shook Up"** performed by the pupils from Moyle Park Colaiste Brid and Colaiste Cillian

Tickets are on sale at each of the schools  
€8 for children and OAP's, and €12 for adults.  
Please do come, support our young people & their teachers!



Over 45, unemployed and would like to learn a new digital skill? **THIRD AGE** - an non profit organisation is starting new classes in the next few weeks - 10 hour course over 5weeks. Interested? Phone 046 9557766

Anne Dempsey

Please note!

**There is a selection of Christmas Cribs, and other items for sale at 50% discount.**  
**Please do drop in after Mass this weekend**

Mary Farrell

## Village Church

**Sunday 14th January**

**6.30pm Vigil**

Annie McBride (19th An),  
Imelda Carr (1st An),  
Mary Keane (An),  
Maud Hurley (4th An)

**10.30am**

Michael Cullen (1st An), his wife  
Elizabeth Cullen (MM),  
Vincent & Bobbie Norton (An)

**12noon**

Gay & Nora Keogh (An),  
Tommy Swayne (MM),  
Luke Barry (An),

**5.30pm**

Joe & Josie O'Connor (An)  
Katrina Dalton (2nd An),  
Peg Nolan (9th An)

**Wednesday 17th Jan**

**10.00am**

Mary & Edward Skeritt,  
Margaret & Bernard Price

**Friday 19th Jan**

**10.00am**

Aoife Ward (An)

**Saturday 20th Jan**

**10.00am**

Eugene Garrigan (MM) followed by  
burial of ashes.

**Sunday 21st January**

**6.30pm Vigil**

Ciaran Carr,  
Vincent & Bobbie Norton (An),  
Maud & Blanche Smith (An), Margaret Walsh (An),  
Roseanna Farrelly (An), Pat & Marie Comerford (MM),  
Ivor & Sadie Noone (An), Elsie Naughton (1st An),  
Jack & Eileen Durcan (An)

**12noon**

Kathleen Kelly (An),  
Noelle O'Brien (1st An)

**Clonburris**

**Saturday 13th January**

**6.30pm**

Phyllis Bowe (2nd An),  
Mattie Fay (An),  
Jimmy Brien (Recently deceased)

**Sunday 14th January**

**11.00am**

Mattie Fay (An),  
Noel Keogh (An),  
Pat & Jack Downey (B'day Rem),  
Kathleen Gooley (An),  
Hanora Mannion (An)

Clondalkin Drama Group

# Sleeping Beauty and the Fabulous Fairies

Tickets  
at East  
Village  
Cafe!

Kids: €5  
Adults: €8  
Family: €25  
(2 adults and 4 kids)



## Bawnogue Community Centre

Saturday Jan 13th, 7pm Sunday Jan 14th, 2:30pm

Friday Jan 19th, 7pm Saturday Jan 20th, 7pm

Sunday Jan 21st, 2:30pm



## JOIN our TEAM!

We are hoping to hear from people who would like to become part of the Newsletter team. If you have a good sense of how to present information in a way that appeals to our readers and have general computing skills, please do get in touch. Training will be given and we'd love to welcome you on board! Interested? Then contact Frank Brown, PPW, on 086 101 8173 or email [parishnewsletter1@gmail.com](mailto:parishnewsletter1@gmail.com)

Cllr. Francis Timmons, Founder and chair of the St. Patrick's Day Clondalkin Parade has asked us to ask you for help in organizing this year's parade to follow the success of 2015 and 2016 parades.

To register to take part please contact:

[www.clondalkinstpatricksfestival.ie/participate](http://www.clondalkinstpatricksfestival.ie/participate)

To volunteer: [www.clondalkinstpatricksfestival.ie/volunteer](http://www.clondalkinstpatricksfestival.ie/volunteer)

For sponsorship - offers and any other information about events please contact Cllr Francis Timmons on 0872869315 or the committee at

[clondalkinstpatricksfestival.ie/contact](http://clondalkinstpatricksfestival.ie/contact)



## Do you play an instrument or sing?

Our **Adult Jammin' group** will be meeting again **Wed 17th Jan at 4:30 - 6pm** in the Pastoral Ctr!! Come along, bring a bit of music & see you then!!



## Monday Club - Monday 8 January 2018

We started back on Monday, the first of the new year of 2018 with a nice crowd despite the cold frosty morning.

We had Fredolin Kerr who gave us a wonderful presentation on the birds of Corkagh Park. There are so many birds from blue tits, finches, starlings, cormorants,... too numerous to mention here. Fredolin explained to us the different colours between male and female birds, their beaks, and the type of food they feed on. The beaks are designed to help forage whether it be worms, insects etc. Some beaks are short and thick which help to break

open shells and hard nuts, while others are long more pointed which are more suitable for catching insects, and small mammals e.g. mice. Their colours were so amazing too. It was wonderful to see the birds in their glorious colours and to listen to their songs. Each bird has its own song, all of them beautiful tunes and rhythms, even the crow has his song. It is amazing how everything has its own purpose, big birds, small birds, each with their own characteristics, each one designed to survive and most of us can observe them from our own windows. We also can take a walk in Corkagh Park and see mallards, ducks and other birds that would not be in our gardens. Fredolin, thanks a million for this educational presentation. I hope we can invite you back again in the future with another presentation. Thank You. The forthcoming musical "All Shook Up" is being staged in Colaiste Brid starting on Tuesday 16 to Friday 19 January. There are three schools, Colaiste Brid, Moyle Park and Colaiste Chillain staging this production. There were nine persons from the Monday Club interested in going on Friday 19 January. Joan and I purchased the tickets after the club so we have tickets (7) which I will have on Monday. The tickets cost €8 each, so those intending to go please have the money on Monday. Thank You Frank for setting up the computer for the presentation, Stephen and Martin for setting tables and tidy up and Joan & Collette for teas and all of you for coming to make it such a lovely morning. I wish you all a very Happy, Peaceful, and Healthy New Year. Kathleen R



## Greetings from Parish Pastoral Council

We wish all parishioners a happy, healthy and peaceful New Year. The PPC meets almost every month and is made up of the clergy and 7 lay people from the Parish (*i.e. the village, Knockmitten and Clonburris*) as well as a representative from the Presentation Sisters and the Marist Brothers. While the Parish Pastoral Workers are not members of the PPC, we do work closely together and they often attend our meetings.

Before we begin 2018 in earnest, we wanted to share with you some of the initiatives that took place during 2017 – World Day of Prayer, Outreach initiatives in Liffey Valley during Lent and Advent, the Dawn Mass in Corkagh Park at Easter and the May Procession, to name just a few. This is in addition to all of the normal events in the Parish – Masses, funerals, baptisms, weddings, sacramental preparation for First Holy Communion and Confirmation, reconciliation services, carol services etc.

Thanks to Christina and Frank (*Parish Pastoral Workers*) for a number of initiatives such as the revamped Newsletter, growth of our FB page, altar server training, Ecumenical Bible Week, The week of guided prayer, The Blessing of Animals, The 10hr Exercise-a-thon, MAD Sunday, family masses and The Clon-Mino walk ... to mention a few.

We thank you, the parishioners, for all of your help and support throughout the year – it is your participation that makes these events successful.

Finally, for 2018 one of the main focuses will be participation in the World Meeting of Families – August 22nd to 26th. Before the event itself there will be much to do in preparation – if anyone would like to volunteer to assist in the preparation please leave your name and contact details in the Sacristy or the Parish Office. *Many thanks.* Bernadette Monaghan, Sec, PPC

**The Villagers Club** - celebrated our first year as a group and had a great turn out to our first meeting back after the Christmas break. We have our tickets for the show All Shook Up booked and will enjoy meal before it. Reminder that our annual general meeting will take place on the last Tuesday of the month. All new members welcome any Tuesday morning 10-30 to 12-00 in Quinlans. Geraldine Lanigan



Fr. Tom came to visit our class on our 1st day back after Christmas. We love

to see Fr. Tom. He is always funny and he tries to coax the teacher in not giving us home work, but it never works.

"Now" he said "The decorations are put away but the real work of Christmas begins. What work? "To feed the hungry, visit the sick, tell people the good news of Christmas, to live our lives with care and love".

**That is difficult for us kids - right, but let's try!**

The answer to last week's quiz, sent in by Adam, Alex and Granddad Leonard: line across. 13, 17, 20—down side 20, 13, 17—bottom line, 17, 13 20 and line upwards 20, 17 and 13



How many 3 letter words can you make from "SNOWMAN"?

Much easier than last week. Let us know how many words you can get. Address on front page, or to the sacristy or office Ciara

