#### **MONOTONOUS!!**

"Because children have abounding vitality, because they are in spirit fierce and free, therefore they want things repeated and unchanged. They always say, "Do it again"; and the grown-up person does it again until he is nearly dead. For grown-up people are not strong enough to exult in monotony. But perhaps God is strong enough to exult in monotony. It is possible that God says every morning, "Do it again" to the sun; and every evening, "Do it again" to the moon.

It may not be automatic necessity that makes all daisies alike; it may be that God makes every daisy separately, but has never got tired of making them. It may be that He has the eternal appetite of infancy; for we have sinned and grown old, and our Father is younger than we

#### G.K. Chesterton, Orthodoxy

#### **OUR PARISH MISSION**

As part of the 400th anniversary of the foundation of our parish we are having a Parish Mission hosted by the St. Patrick's Community

St Patrick's community has been established for 13 years, and have given over 200 missions in a variety of parishes ranging from Cathedrals to small country Churches.

A parish mission is a time of great grace and renewal and is open to everyone, whether they are 5 years of age or 95, whether they are strong in their faith or if they struggle sometimes.

Our mission will take place from Monday7th December to Friday 11th December. There will be talks at 10am Mass and 7.30pm from Monday to Thursday with Mass of The Holy Spirit on the final night at 7.30pm

The mission team hope to visit some of the schools as well.

#### MONDAY CLUB

We had a very enjoyable morning celebrating a big birthday of Joan Steed. It was her birthday on Monday and it was fitting that we should celebrate with her. There was a little bit of secret planning in place. She was pleasantly surprised when she entered the Pastoral Centre and saw decorations up and was greeted by Fr. Damian who congratulated her and reminisced on her birthday in the Holy Land two years ago.

"Congratulations" Joan on this big birth-day.

We had Minnie's Music where she had selected a beautiful selection of music. She started off with 2Phil the Fluter's Ball and finished with the heavenly "Let there be Peace"

"Thank you" Minnie, you always have us in seventh heaven with your wide selections and choice of music.

"Thank you" Colette, Josie, Alan, Kathleen M and Fr. Damian for your help, and all who attended the Monday Club for making it such a happy occasion. Kathleen R.

## CCPC INTERCESSORY PRAYER GROUP -OUTREACH

This Tuesday **17th** November Intercessory Group praying in Bawnogue Parish Church 7.30pm to 8.30pm

Come along if you can to join us in praying for the needs of our whole group of parishes

#### PRESENTATION DAY

Next Saturday we, Presentation Sisters of Mary in the Temple, beginning with Mass at 10am, followed by a friendly cuppa in the Parish Centre. We invite you to join us.

Presentation Sisters

#### 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 NEWSLETTER" should be left into the Sacristy or Parish Office.

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#### **GENEROSITY NEAR AND FAR**

I received two pieces of communication during the week expressing thanks to parishioners. World Missions Ireland sent a poster to be displayed in our churches thanking us for  $\epsilon$ 2,880 received on Mission Sunday. Trocaire also sent a letter thanking us for  $\epsilon$ 3051.25 collected during and after Lent.

It is evidence that parishioners young and old realise that we witness to the love of Christ when we look beyond our own family, parish, village and country and come to the aid of the poorest of the poor. When

we spread the Gospel we make people aware of the love of God and we live the Gospel by feeding the hungry, clothing the naked and sheltering the homeless. The phrase "when you give someone a fish you feed them for a day

whereas when you teach someone to fish you fed them for a lifetime" comes to mind in work of Trocaire and World Missions Ireland.

On Monday evening I was invited by Localise Care in the Community to a presentation of 'Our Ideal Town'. This was a challenge to the young people to come up with their ideal town. It was very encouraging to see how each of the five groups in their presentations highlighted the need for inclusiveness between young and old. Incidentally, Localise wish to thank parishioners who contributed to their recent Cheerios Breakfast fundraiser which raised £265.47.

Fr. Damian

#### CHURCH DUTY

Altar Linen: Mary O'Neill Cleaning: Veronica Bayly. Tracy

Cleaning: Veronica Bayly. Tracy Whelan, Bernardine Wynne and Josephine

Hearty

Flowers: Kathleen Cosgrove to 19th November, Mary Elizabeth from 20th November to 28th—Advent begins on Sunday 29th November, no flowers for Advent Ministers of the Environment please note:

Meeting of all members with Fr. Seamus to plan decoration of the Church for Christmas - Anyone interested is welcome to attend—Tuesday 17th November after 10am Mass and Rosary in the Pastoral Centre upstairs.

#### CLONDALKIN HISTORY AND HERITAGE DAY

Heritage Day, Saturday 21st November 12 to 2pm organised and hosted by South Dublin County Council, will feature a packed and interesting programme—a guided walk of Historic Clondalkin, tour of St. John's Church and graveyard, local history talks, Irish history live—the museum that comes to you, presentation by Turtle Bunbury, author and co-presenter of RTE's Genealogy Roadshow.

Help us to gather historical information of

local interest—photos, ephemera and artefacts of Clondalkin from bygone days.

Programme of events is available from Civic Office, Library etc.

#### **ADORATION**

This Thursday 19h November there will Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: **Morning**: Church 10.45am to 11.45am **Evening**: Mass for deceased parishioners at 7.30pm

#### MASS FOR DECEASED MEMBERS OF PRAYER GROUP

Mass for deceased members of the Prayer Group will take place this Wednesday 18th November commencing at 8.15pm in the Pastoral Centre and all welcome

#### **BAPTISMS**



Welcome and congratulations to: Grace Anne Margaret O'Leary, Floraville Avenue George Laurenzo John Grendon, Monastery Gate Green Caleb Jamie Redmond.

Lealand Crescent

Erin Rosanna Lynch, St. John's Wood Ryan Patrick Monahan, Castle View Rd They received the Sacrament of Baptism recently

#### **DEATHS**

The news of the sudden death of Aidan Dardis, St. Patrick's Rd was met with sadness and dismay by all parishioners.

We extend our deepest sympathies and prayers to his grieving wife Mary, his family, his extended family and many friends and neighbours.

May he rest in peace!



#### **ANNIVERSARIES**

**Monday 16th November** 

10.00am Margie Hughes, 10anniv.

**Tuesday 17th November** 

10.00am Deceased M

Deceased Members of Legion Legion of Mary

Wednesday 18th November

10.00am Gretta Kessack Thursday 19th November

10.00am Dolores Nolan

Friday 20th November

10.00am Susan Kessack **Saturday 21st November** 

10.00am Teresa Corcoran

**Sunday 22nd November** 

7.30pm (vigil) Margaret Doyle

Martin Whelan Nuala Bismilla

Christine Monahan, mm

9.00am Josie and Eileen Hogan 12 noon Dave Mitchell, 1st an Bridget Bassett, 1st an

Ronan

#### **CLONBURRIS**

Saturday 14th November
6.30pm Harry O'Brien A.
Patrick Roe A.
Patrick Mc Govern A.

Patrick Mc Govern A. Aidan Dardis, rec. dec.

Sunday 15th November 11am Alan Deans A.

#### "HAPPY FEAST DAY"

Oft times we take so much for granted and forget to say "Thank You". Next Saturday the Presentation Sisters celebrate their Feast Day and we will be afforded the opportunity to tell them how much they are appreciated in our parish—for their generosity and support. "Thank you" may sound inadequate but it is sincerely offered!

#### ADULT CATECHISM STUDIES

The Apostles Creed- I believe in the Communion of Saints, paragraphs 946-975.

Faith is a treasure of life which is enriched by being shared.

The Communion of Saints is the community of the one Church, on Earth, in Purgatory and in Heaven. This does not imply that all the members of the Church are already perfect but identifies their vocation which is to become perfect.

The Saints who have been canonised have received official recognition by the Church because of their lives on earth and their names can be used as people who can be prayed to rather than prayed for.

"I will spend my heaven by doing good upon earth. I will raise up a mighty host of little saints. My mission is to make God loved"- St. Thérèse of Lisieux.

Wednesday November 18th at 7.30pm in the Pastoral Centre.

### ANNUAL MASS FOR DECEASED PARISHIONERS

Mass for all who died during the year in our parish will be celebrated on Thursday, 19th at 7.30pm. The liturgy is prepared by Frank

Brown, Pastoral Worker and Funeral Team and celebrated by Fr. Padraig and Fr. Seamus.

It is not possible to contact all grieving families but hope that all will notified through your help and by this Newsletter

#### **TIDY TOWNS AGM**

I would like to invite you to attend our AGM of Clondalkin Tidy Towns will be held on Wednesday, 25th November at 8 p.m. in the Green Isle Hotel.

Our success can only be built on by having a strong and committed group and we want to hear from you if you would like to become a member of the committee.

We are looking for as many as possible to attend on the night and let us know your thoughts on our work.

Agnes O'Neill, Secretary, 087 6572631

#### NOTICES

**Monday 16th November** 

Miraculous Medal Novena after 10am Mass and Rosary

Tuesday 17th November

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

Legion of Mary in the Convent at 11 am and new members welcome

#### CHRISTMAS FAYRE



All are invited to a "Christmas Fayre on Saturday 21st November in St. John's Hall at 11am to 3pm