



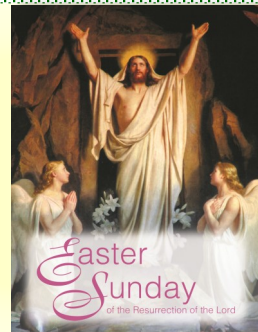
Clondalkin Village Parish

Immaculate Conception & St. Killian Church

Clonburris  **Knockmitten**

Parish Newsletter

Sunday, 16th April 2017



EASTER 2017

The week began with the blessing of palm on Saturday evening, our lively youth mass in Sruleen and then Sunday morning with parishioners gathering outside to bless the palms supplied by the Byrne family with a little help from Fr. Damian. The day was overshadowed by the news of the death of more than forty Egyptian Coptic Christians who were murdered whilst attending their palm Sunday Mass. It is a reminder to all of us that the religious liberty we have should never be taken for granted. A new initiative this year was the Holy Week retreat given by members of the Indian Catholic Community, certainly it was different and was full of energy.

The Penance service was well attended as was Morning Prayer on Thursday, Friday and Saturday. We all have to appreciate that we are no longer in a position to offer every Holy Week liturgy and ceremony in every church in the area. Fr. Padraig, together with Joe and Mary Leonard represented the Parish at the Chrism Mass on Holy Thursday morning.

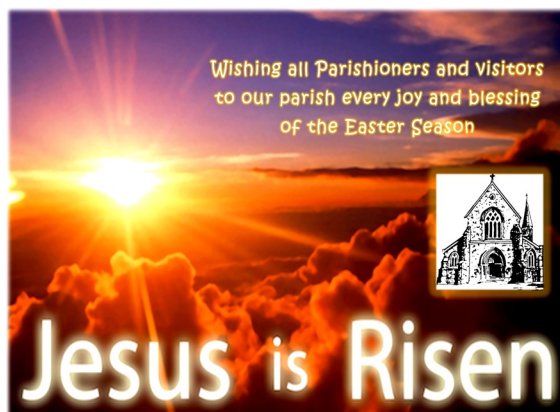
Thanks to the team in Knockmitten for looking after midday on Good Friday and Noel and Carolyn for our inaugural Taize stations of the Cross on Good Friday Night.

I must say I was nervous when the suggestion of the outreach to Liffey Valley was broached but we cannot hide our story and we have a message of hope to proclaim. The twelve apostles and the other followers of Jesus were either afraid or in hiding at the time of the Resurrection and as followers of Jesus we too can feel reluctant or afraid to articulate our faith in public so, thanks to all who supported our initiative in bringing the gospel to the marketplace. If you are reading this on Saturday night and you are up early on Easter Sunday morning, please do join us in Corkagh Park for our dawn Mass at 6.30am.

Thank you to all my colleagues, clergy and parish pastoral workers here in the Village Parish, Clonburris and Knockmitten and the wider Combined Catholic Parishes of Clondalkin. Thank you to all who exercised their ministry and volunteered in anyway to prepare for Holy Week, the Triduum and Easter.

We all deserve a little rest this week so we will have daily Mass at 10am Monday to Saturday. I wish all of you visitors and parishioners a very happy and holy Easter.

Fr Damian



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

Clonburris

Sundays (Vigil) Sat 6.30 pm,

Sunday 11am

Holy Days 11am and 6.30pm

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

Clonburris: Contact through Village

Knockmitten: Mon-Fri Mass times

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The **Environment Group** invite flowers for the Easter Garden. Cards are available to write the name of the person/occasion you want to remember. **THANK YOU!**



DUBLIN DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA Celebrating Centenary

Date: 7th to 14th September 2017

Spiritual Director: Fr. Owen Lambert Cssp

Hotel: Domus Pacis Fatima, full board on sharing basis. **Fare:** €799 fully inclusive of all taxes, single room supplement €175 - **Deposit:** €200 non refundable

For further information please contact
Eileen Carty on (01) 4574832



Tidy Towns Group needs volunteers. We meet every Sat in Tuthills Carpark at 10.00am and also now have started to meet on Tuesday evening again at Tuthills at 6.30pm.

Give an hour or so to help keep your village tidy. **Tommy**



My Mam tells us kids the story she was told by her granny who lived in Clonsilla. She got up very early on Easter morning to watch the sun rise and to see it dance. Many would gather on the hill top to watch and the sun, she convinced her grandchildren, always obliged.
"None of your chocolate eggs - eggs were painted and copious amounts eaten."

I'm spending Easter in Ennis, Co. Clare and this morning the family are climbing Drumcliffe to celebrate Mass at the summit at the foot of the remains of an old monastery at 4.30am. I hope I will see the sun dance. I will let you know in next week's Newsletter. I can understand why the sun should dance and so should we. Jesus is alive and He loves us. What could be better than that? I don't like Good Friday. I don't like to see anyone hurt! But if we didn't have Good Friday there would be no Easter and no reason for the sun or us to dance!
Happy Easter everyone. Ciara



Clondalkin Tidy Towns Committee

Invitation to "Honouring the Flag"

A Flag Raising Ceremony by St. Killian's Group, Scouting Ireland, on **Easter Sunday 16th April 2017 at 10.00 am.**

At the 1916 Commemorative Garden at Newlands Cross.

All are welcome to attend. **Tommy Keogh**



Annual Parish Lourdes Appeal

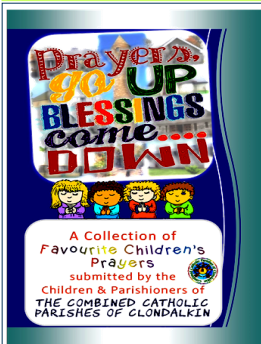
Our annual parish church gate Lourdes Appeal takes place next weekend, 22nd/23rd April, after all Masses.

Monday Club 12 April 2017

The club was very late starting this morning due to the start of the retreat. However, when the people did arrive in and had their tea/coffee and hot-cross buns they got started into making little flowers to decorate their Easter-basket made last week. I must say they all looked lovely. Sorry, we did not get time to make the card. Congratulations to you all for taking part. Frank Brown, our parish pastoral worker came in to tell us of the new children's prayer book which was launched last Sat. The book is composed of little prayers for children and the idea came from someone in the Monday Club after the launch of the Parish Prayer Book for adults. It was a wonderful idea. Frank has worked so hard on producing this beautiful prayer book. It is available in the parish shop at €2. It will be a lovely gift for children, grandchildren or like me with plenty of nieces and nephews. It will be a lovely gift to a child making their First Communion or even to put in an Easter basket! Teresa, came to thank us for the donation given for flowers for the Altar. Congratulations and thanks to her team who work so hard keeping the Church looking beautiful and for the amazing floral displays. We will be back in the club again on Mon 24 April. Meanwhile keep in mind something to enter the Bealtaine Festival. I gave the list of categories in last week's newsletter. Entries to be in before 19 May. I will have entry forms for anyone wanting to enter. Last year some of you entered some beautiful work. I take this opportunity to thank all who have been a huge support to the club and to all who participated in the activities. I wish you all and those who are not well at this time, or in hospital a very Happy Easter. Until the 24 April, take care.



Kathleen R



Great News!!



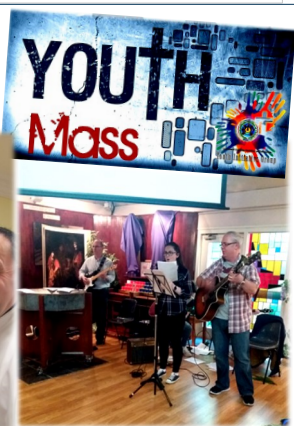
The
CCPC Children's Prayer Book
On sale Now

at a nominal price of **€2**
to cover costs

Some Photos



Thanks to all who took part! Keep watching for the date of the next one!



The Easter celebrations are central to our faith. But do you know the meaning & origins of some of the other **Easter traditions?**

- **The Easter egg hunt** is a tradition that originated with pagan spring festivals that celebrated fertility (*the bunny was also a fertility symbol*). Like many pagan traditions, Christians intertwined the practice with religious significance. The children will go looking for eggs to put in their Easter egg basket. On the day before Easter, many families decorate hard-boiled eggs with paint to use for the hunt. *Eggs are also part of the tradition because of the ban on eggs during lent in Medieval Europe, meaning they were often included in the Sunday feast.*
- **Churches are often decorated with flowers.** A significant theme for Easter is rebirth, which flowers can emulate and symbolize. Traditional Easter flowers include Easter Lilies, which are believed to have grown in the Garden of Gethsemane, the site of Jesus's arrest. Other Easter flowers include *pussy willows, daffodils, narcissuses, and red tulips*, which symbolize Jesus's shed blood.
- Many children are given **a basket of goodies** at the day's beginning. A symbol of all the great gifts we have been given by Jesus!



CHURCH DUTY

Altar Linen: Mary Leonard
Church Cleaning: Veronia Bayly, Bernardine Wynne, Tracy Whelan, Josephine Hearty
Flowers: Donation of €50 for Easter flowers received from the Monday Club - many thanks.
Maintenance of the Easter Garden: Elizabeth Mary

Monday 17th April-Miraculous Medal

Novena after 10am Mass and Rosary.

Tuesday 18th April-Lectio Divina under the guidance of Sr. Anne after 10am Mass in the Pastoral Centre.

CCPC Intercessory Prayer for 9 Clondalkin Parishes—7.30 to 8.30pm in the Parish Pastoral Centre (downstairs). All welcome.

Wednesday 19th April-Charismatic Prayer Group Our Lady Queen of Peace meeting in Parish Pastoral Centre (downstairs) at 8.00pm. All welcome.

Thursday 20th April-Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the Church. Morning: 10.45 to 11.45am. **Evening:** 7.00 to 9.00pm.

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



Ella Louise Mulvey, Greenpark
Bobby Michael Kearns, Bawnogue
Rhys Blake O'Neill, Lealand Avenue
Arthur Joseph Gunning, Monastery Heath Court
Jace Gerard Bayley Kennedy, Lindesfarne Lawns

Congratulations and Welcome!



Traditionally families brought nicely decorated containers to Mass to bring home some Easter Water, which is blessed during the Easter Vigil. All the rooms and members of the family were sprinkled with the holy water and blessed. Here in Clondalkin Village Church we carry on the tradition and all are welcome to take home the Holy Water and use it. We have a plentiful supply available but we many run out of the little bottles. You may have spare empty ones at home and are willing to bring them to the church for other people to use. **The Easter Holy Water will be available all during the Easter Season.**



Sunday 23rd April - Divine Mercy Sunday

"My daughter, tell the whole world about My Inconceivable mercy. I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and shelter for all souls, and especially for poor sinners. On that day the very depths of My tender mercy are open. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the fount of My mercy. The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment. On that day all the divine floodgates through which grace flow are opened. Let no soul fear to draw near to Me, even though its sins be as scarlet. My mercy is so great that no mind, be it of man or of angel, will be able to fathom it throughout all eternity. Everything that exists has come forth from the very depths of My most tender mercy. Every soul in its relation to Me will contemplate My love and mercy throughout eternity. The Feast of Mercy emerged from My very depths of tenderness. It is My desire that it be solemnly celebrated on the first Sunday after Easter. Mankind will not have peace until it turns to the Fount of My Mercy". (St. Faustina Diary 699)



"Divine Mercy" devotions begin in Balgaddy Church at 2.30pm and end with Mass at ~5pm

The Divine Mercy Picture will be erected here in the Village Church & will be available throughout the day for private prayer & devotion for anyone wishing to call in especially at 3pm - the Hour of Mercy.

We wish all parishioners & visitors to our Churches...



Village Church



Sunday 16th April - Easter Sunday

All Masses today offered for parishioners' intentions.

1.00pm African Community Mass

Monday 17th April - Easter Monday

10.00am Carmel Maguire (MM)

Tuesday 18th April

10.00am Denis Whelan (An)

Saturday 23rd April

7.30pm (Vigil) Tony Tighe (An), Special Intention, Phil Fitzpatrick (8th An)

9.00am William Beasley (An)

10.30am Paul Maher (An), Joseph Lernihan (An)

Jim Nash (An & B'day Rem)

Nancy O'Connell (1st An)

Mary & Ciaran O'Neill (An & B'day Rem)

12noon Harry & Catherine Wall (An)

Peter Clynych (5th An), Mark Doyle & Bill

O'Loughlin (An), Liam Callaghan (6th An)

Kathleen Whitty (1st An), Pamela Delaney (An),

Peter & Kay Sherry (An)

5.30pm Mary O'Shea & her mother Mary Furlong(An), Laura Collin (BD Rem), Catriona Dalton (An), Stevie Burke (An), Yvonne Carroll (An).

Clonburris

Sunday 16th April - Easter Sunday - 11am

John C. Downey (B'day Rem), David, Marie & Tony

O'Brien (An), Noel Mc Evoy (An), Cecilia Mc Evoy (An),

Annie Kavanagh (An), William Kavanagh (An)

Michael Donoghue (An), Annie Maher (An)



All homes should now have received an envelope for their Easter Dues. If you have not received one there are plenty available at the Church entrances, office, sacristy or shop. Please return your

contribution as soon as possible. Envelopes containing your contribution can be handed in to any of the above or placed in the safe at the Shop door. **Again many thanks for your continued support and generosity.**

Often we can take for granted the generosity of others without giving it a second thought. We as a parish and faith community owe a huge vote of thanks to our Priests, Fathers Damian & Padraig for their tireless and dedicated service to all.

To all our parish staff, our Parish Pastoral workers, to those involved in parish ministries in any way and to our numerous volunteers -

A sincere and heartfelt thank you.

We include in our vote of THANKS all who support and pray for our community.

This Easter a thanks to Newlands Garden Centre who are always available to give help and guidance to the Ministers of the Environment especially when decorating the Church for Easter and other big occasions and also to the people drafted in to help and gladly obliged. And thanks to the people who prepared and cleaned the church for the occasion!



Adult Catechism Studies - We learn to pray at certain moments by hearing the Word of the Lord and sharing in his Paschal Mystery. The Christian family is the first place of education in prayer and the family is the

"domestic church" where God's children learn to pray. The Church is the proper place for liturgical prayer for the parish community and the privileged place for Eucharistic adoration. The group will resume studies after Easter. **Ronan**

