



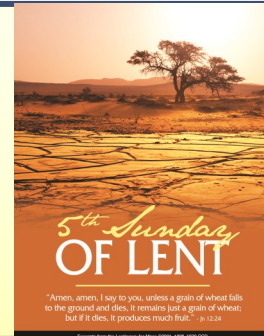
Clondalkin Village Parish

Immaculate Conception & St. Killian Church

Clonburris  **Knockmitten**

Parish Newsletter

Sunday 18th March 2018



"I thought God had abandoned me"

Ann Carroll and I had the privilege once again of visiting Fr. Bala in India this time to see his new parish which consists of 17 villages and part of the town of Badvel. His tasks once again is to develop a new Parish which is named St. Mother Teresa's. We found Fr. Bala enthusiastically working to meet the needs of his parishioners both spiritually and materially with the support of friends in Ireland. For the first time he has the help of a newly ordained curate Fr. Suresh.



As usual we received a warm welcome from villagers and from Fr. Bala's family. There were great celebrations in two villages which had received bore wells. One of these villages previously had no water, forcing villagers to walk many miles to obtain water. The other village received 5 bore wells which irrigates 25 acres of land and

allows 6 different crops to grow on land that was previously arid. The growing of these crops gives employment to 25 men and enables them to feed their families and to sell surplus produce in the local market.

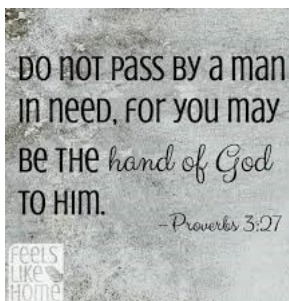
We found peoples' lives transformed by improved housing conditions and improved medical attention. Many of the elderly people are receiving food, clothing and blankets. We also met village children whose education we are sponsoring.

Unfortunately we found many people in great need of the basics for living, but we could only empathise with them for now and hope in the future through funds raised to assist them.

Fr. Bala appreciates your generosity which helps greatly in his missionary work and he asks for your continued prayers. He sends his blessing and looks forward to being with you again next Summer, God willing.

We returned home thanking God and the generosity of people from Ireland who help to make a difference to the poorest of the poor. We know that our visit to India gave hope to the elderly lady who said *"I thought God had abandoned us but now I know He cares"*.

Kay Lee



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

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CHURCH DUTY

Altar Linen: Angela Minahan
 Flowers: No flowers during Lent
 Church Cleaning: Betty Byrne and Rebecca Duggan
 Members of St. Martha's Guild learned with sadness the death of Eleanor Goodwin, a long time faithful member of their group. Our deepest sympathies to her family and many friends.

Thank You

Monday 19th March

Bank Holiday, Mass at 10am only.

Miraculous Medal Novena after 10am Mass and Rosary.

Tuesday 20th March - Lectio Divina, a time to reflect on the Scriptures, led by Sr. Anne. In the Parish Pastoral Centre after the 10am Mass and Rosary.

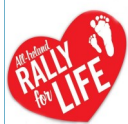
CCPC Intercessory Prayer for 9 Clondalkin Parishes. This Tuesday Intercessory Prayer Group **7.30 to 8.30pm** in the Parish Pastoral Centre. All welcome.

Wednesday 21st March - Charismatic Prayer Group Our Lady Queen of Peace in the Parish Pastoral Centre. Prayer Meeting at **8.00pm**. All welcome.

Thursday 22nd March - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: 10.45 to 11.45am in the Church.

Please note: No evening adoration as Lenten Mass continues

This Week



All Ireland Rosary Rally for Life & Faith in Ireland

Dublin venue: Papal Cross, Phoenix Park Sunday 18th March (today) at 2.30pm



Olivia Kavanagh, 12 and from Knockmeenagh Road is part of a Latin Dance group that auditioned for Ireland's Got Talent in Dec'17. They got a great reception from both the audience & the 4 Judges with Denise Van Outen giving them the **GOLDEN BUZZER** which brings them straight into the **SEMI-FINAL** on March 22nd.

The Dance Troop all attend Xquisite Dance School, Longmile Road.

The Semi Final is on 22nd March and her mum Audrey asks for the support of all parishioners by voting for them.



"The Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock is being re-launched this year and I am pleased to support this initiative. It will be a wonderful opportunity for the Archdiocese of Dublin to gather as one family of faith, united in worship and prayer. The Pilgrimage will be one of a number of celebrations that we will prepare for the World Meeting of Families in August. The full programme for the Pilgrimage will be published shortly".

Diarmuid Martin, Archbishop of Dublin.

The Pilgrimage will be held on Saturday 21st April—main celebration of the Eucharist in the Basilica at 3pm and the theme of the pilgrimage **"We are Pilgrims—Knock invites us to Healing and Peace"**

Classes in overcoming Anxiety and Depression

It is recommended that one attends at least 6 classes to become free of the above. There is a method demonstrated at the class whereby those who have succeeded give examples on how they dealt with trivialities in every day life. There is no fee but a voluntary collection to pay for rent, literature and refreshments. If you think this would help you please come along and bring a friend to: Community Room, Rowlagh Church (side entrance) on Monday evenings at 8p.m. It finishes around 9.30p.m. with a chat and a cuppa.

Contact No. 0863445249

Maire Uí Broin



Village Church

Sunday 18th March

6.30pm (Vigil) Joanna Boggins (An)
 Bunnie Stynes (MM)

9.00am Billy Hogan (An)

10.30am Padraig Doyle (B'day Rem), Leonard and Nan Hanna (An), Liam Smith (MM)

12noon Brendan Kelly (3rd An), Elizabeth and Nicholas West (An), Mary and Patrick Hendley (An)

Monday 19th March

Wednesday 21st March

10.00am Ivan Murphy (1st An)

Thursday 22nd March

10.00am Nuala O'Connor, B/day rem

Friday 23rd March

7.30pm Betty Millea (20th An)

Saturday 24th March

10.00am Donal Dunne (3rd An)

Sunday 25th March - Palm Sunday

6.30pm Vigil Dorothy Loughnane (MM)

Ella Bennett (MM), Peter Fitzgerald (An) & dec'd members of the Fitzgerald family
10.30am Liam, Babs & Gay Norton (An)
 Special Intention

Sunday 25th March

12noon David Smith (10th An), Peg Moore (MM), Marian Doyle (MM)

5.30pm Frank & Patricia Farrell

Clonburris

Saturday 17th March @ 6.30pm

Susan & Kathleen Byrne (An), Kathleen McGovern (An), Louis Dardis (An)

Sunday 18th March @ 11.00am

Marie O'Sullivan (An), Christopher Downey (An), Dan Aherne (An)



Sustained by the free porridge in "The Happy Pear" and enjoying the peace and birds singing in The Round Tower Garden, a day for outdoor souls to sit in the garden, the Round Tower stands silhouetted against a cloudy sky, not tapered but uniform right up to the cap. Is it a ninth century dart piercing Fr, David's "Cloud of Unknowing" an unintended witness, inspirational for the monks in silent prayer. Who knows. But it's definitely inspirational. An ideal place to experience your 15 mins. of knowing. Don't forget free porridge!!

Eddie



formally Clondalkin

We extend our deepest sympathies and prayers to the families and friends of:

Eleanor Goodwin, Beech Row
William Kilduff, Edenderry,

May they rest in Peace!

THANK YOU
 for your generosity

CASA—Caring and sharing Association thank most sincerely the parishioners of Clondalkin for their very generous contributions to our Church Gate collection held on the weekend 24/25th February. The Collection which amounted to €1,263 will greatly help in the funding for our members, adults and children with physical, intellectual and sensory disabilities along with the sick and terminally ill making a Pilgrimage to Lourdes with CASA.

"Thank You" to all those who helped the collection a huge success.

Kay Cassidy



Friends of the Camac is a local community volunteer group set up to preserve the Camac river and greenway for the people of Clondalkin. The group wants to enhance the river and protect its heritage, wildlife and ecosystem. If you would like email updates, quarterly free newsletters, and/or to help out, email friendsofthecamac@hotmail.com and join the mailing list.

Maria O'Connor, Secretary, Friends of the Camac

"The river Camac rises in the foothills of Dublin and flows for 24km before flowing into the Liffey at Heuston Station.

The river flows through the centre of Clondalkin and is rich in green spaces and wildlife. Minnow, brown trout, sticklebacks, eel, and endangered white-clawed crayfish can be found in its waters". Their Spring Newsletter contains a lot more information and is available to be picked up from the Heritage Centre, Library and Civil Offices. Photos Tommy Keogh



The annual **Advocate** collection for the Sunshine Fund takes places on **Saturday 24th and Sunday 25th March**. The Sunshine Fund, a special works conference of the St. Vincent de Paul, provides Summer holidays for children all over Dublin who need a holiday.

This collection is their only source of funds.

Your generosity is greatly appreciated - thank you

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"During 2017 we cared for almost 4,300 and made over 10, 700 to homes" - Ann Julian, Campaign and events Coordinator, with Our Lady's Hospice and Care Services tells us in a letter thanking everyone who helped them during the year—people who supported them in their various fundraising activities—Sunflower days, bewley's Coffee Morning and Daniel O'Donnell "Light up a Life" and many other events.

Interested in free course in Digital Skills in Clondalkin?

The not-for-profit organization, "Third Age" is starting new classes in the next few weeks geared to people aged 45 and over, those with a disability or currently unemployed. The free training course is a 10-hour programme over five weeks, two hours per week, up to 10 participants per course. If you would like to register your interest, phone Third Age on 046-9557766

MONDAY CLUB

We had a very busy morning in the club today. We had a big attendance and a few new people came in too. It got off to a slow start as it was the conclusion of the Novena of Grace and also the Rosary was said after Mass. We had a few visitors who dropped in. First was Breda Bonar who is a local councillor who came to tell of the security door locks the council is offering free to the over 55s who own their own home and would like to avail of this scheme. Applications forms were handed out and I have some for anyone interested and did not get one. I will have them with me in the club on Monday. We got a form to fill in regarding the Bealtaine Festival Coffee Morning. We decided today to host this on Monday 14 May. Leo from Aras Chronain sent information to us regarding a forthcoming production to be held in Aras Chronain on 24 and 25 March at 8pm. Then to round off the morning we had some of the ladies from Timpeall Na Tithe come to entertain us with some Irish Traditional Music to get us in a good mood after the bad weather and preparation for St Patrick's Day. There were some lively reels, jigs, mazurkas and not forgetting "shoe the donkey" Minnie's favorite. Thank you so much to Annette, Maire, Charlotte and Claire. Noel too gave a lovely lively tune on his harmonica and thank you Noel for that. It is all much appreciated and lends to an enjoyable morning. Thanks too to Joan and Collette for the teas/coffee, and Stephen and Martin for having the tables set for us. I will be in the club next week if anyone is free to drop in for a cuppa and a chat. Until next week take care.
Kathleen R



Hope you enjoyed St. Patrick's day holiday! Nearly Easter now and studying for tests! Not nice! So I have a nice task for you, Colour the picture and send it to us and enjoy!

Ciana