

Parish Newsletter

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

# Clonburris # Knockmitten

### Sunday, 21st August 2016

Three weeks ago, I was one in a million celebrating the vigil and the Eucharist with Pope Francis. The days , before arriving in Campus Misericordiae I was privileged to have experienced a week of song, prayer, reflection & many other things in Krakow. The City was buzzing with young people from all over the world. Many Irish pilgrims were amazed by the abundance of joy and fun

they found during the World Youth Day. Though we (I was part of the diocesan team organizing this amazing pilgrimage) had prepared the Dublin pilgrims for over a year – words cannot explain how 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 how others could be so openly excited and full of energy about their faith. For many of the Dublin pilgrims it was an eye opening experience. One pilgrim said to me:

"I am sick of apologizing for what I believe in! When I get back home to Ireland I stop apologizing for being Catholic. God has shown me what is possible in life when I trust and believe and how much fun it is!"

How wonderful and encouraging his comment is? He experienced his faith alive, fun and filled with the Spirit.

But reality has hit very quickly. Just days after our plane home from Krakow landed, after week of celebrating our faith, the headlines we found in the papers were -Maynooth Crisis. How discouraging and disheartening must this sound for someone like this young man who was enlivened by

his faith! Have we again forgotten our Youth - forgotten to celebrate that there is much more going on in the church than this Maynooth Crisis. The Youth that went to Krakow are filled with energy and were encouraged by Pope Francis to go out there and proclaim the Good News. He told us not to become couch potatoes and let life just pass by. No! He wants us to go out there and be active in our parishes, to create some noise about our faith and the most important thing - Bring Peace and Mercy. These young people experienced another side of the Church - joyful, fun, encouraging and eye-opening. No doubt Pope Francis knows it is not easy being a Catholic these days. It is not easy being a Catholic in Ireland but maybe we can all pull together and share that there is an abundance of Good News out there! Over 1500 young adults from Ireland experienced Krakow first hand. They will tell you that the church, our faith is very much alive and full of good news stories!

Look again at the comment of young man. Maybe there is a challenge in there for all of us this week? Can we be less afraid, stop being apologetic for what we believe in? Can we show others (especially the media) that the Church, our faith is bigger than this Maynooth Crisis! Let us pray that people like the young Dublin pilgrim still feel strong in their faith and filled with the Spirit to share the Good News – because my experience has taught me that there are already enough couch potatoes in our communities! In next week's newsletter I will share the World Youth Day experiences of our young parishioners. Christina Malone PPW



### Masses

Clondalkin Village Sundays: (Vigil) Sat 7.30pm, Sunday 9am (Gaeilge) 10.30am, 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 Sat 10.30 - 11am & Confessions 6.45 - 7.15pm

#### Clonburris

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

### Knockmitten

Sundays (Vigil) Sat 6.30pm, **Sunday 11am** (For July & August) 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 Sacristy or Office by 4.30pm on Tues

# **Contacts**

Village Office/Sacristy 01 459 3520 clondalkinchurch@eircom.net, www.clondalkinparish.com Fr. Damian Farnon, Moderator 01 459 2665 01 464 0441 Fr Padraig O'Sullivan, Co-P.P. @Clondalkinvillageparish Knockmitten Fr. Des Byrne CC 01 459 2323 Clonburris Fr. Shan O Cuiv CC 01 459 3520 085 7162152 Parish Pastoral Workers **Christina Malone** Christina.malone@dublindiocese.ie 086 101 8173 frank.brown@dublindiocese.ie **Frank Brown** 



#### We are looking for your help in Creating a

# Local Prayer Book

There are only 2 weeks left to give us your suggestions for inclusion in our upcoming Local Prayer Book!! So if you have a prayer or prayers that are dear to you, inspire or help you, prayers for special occasions, etc. send them into us. We are also asking international members of our community to share with us some of their native prayers. Either leave a copy into your parish office or email them to ccpcprayerbook@gmail.com - Before 28th August



Members of the Monday Club enjoying their outing on the 18th July to Cobh. Photos by Joe Leonard. Due to lack of space the photos could not be included sooner!



### CONGRATULATIONS! to

**Michelle Mary Keenan** and **Phillip Michael Fahy** Who received the Sacrament of Marriage during the week

#### PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA 2016 7TH SEPTEMBER TO 14TH SEPTEMBER

There are still places available for the Pilgrimage to Fatima. All in fare €765 includes flights, stay in Domus Pacis Hotel sharing - €175 single room supplement, tours, insurance. €200 booking fee, non refundable Please book as soon as possible Further information: **Phone Eileen Carty 014574832** 



### FOR KIDS (Of all ages!!)

# What is stuck in a corner and goes around the world?

It is not a person watching the Olympic Games. Answer next week!

Send us your quiz, brainteaser, etc and we will try to include it in the Newsletter!



I read in the newsletter about your 'Gems of Mercy' initiative looking for people to share stories, etc. of simple works of Mercy they have seen in this Year of Mercy. Here's mine. We have

two daughters – one 8 and the youngest 4 years old. They both sleep in the same room and for a few mornings in a row we came into the room and found the eldest asleep on the floor beside her sister's bed. We were getting worried because we thought she was sleep walking. When it happened again on the Thursday morning we sat her down and told her we were worried and was everything ok? She told us that for the past few nights her sister had woken her up having had dreams and because she

up having bad dreams and because she didn't want us to wake up because we'd be 'too tired for work' - she had comforted her until she fell asleep and then fell asleep beside her in case she woke up again. We were so proud of her. When we asked her why she didn't get into the bed beside her, she said, "Don't be silly, she snores!" – Paul L.



Before and up to the end of the Year of Mercy if you would like to share a stories or picture from our local area for our Facebook, Website or Newsletter -These could be small examples of Mercy from your reflections, an experience of Mercy in action you experienced or witnessed, your previous writings or your personal life experience.

Up to 250 words in length or a picture that needs no words!! We would love to hear from you!! Email: ccpc.clondalkin@gmail.com or Parishnews1@gmail.com



Monday 22nd August Novena to Our Lady of Knock finishes Feast of the Queenship of Mary **Tuesday 23rd August** Legion of Mary meets in the Convent at 11am and new members welcome **CCPC Intercessory Prayer for 9 Clondalkin Parishes** Praying in the Pastoral Centre at 7.30pm to 8.30pm and all are welcome **Wednesday 24th August** 

Charismatic Prayer Group "Our Lady Queen of Peace" - In the Pastoral Centre at 8pm and all welcome to come and join with us **Thursday 25th August** 

#### Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Morning: In the Church 10.45am to 11.45am Evening: In the Church 7pm to 9pm and all are welcome





## CHURCH DUTY

Altar Linen:Vera PidgeonFlowers:Nuala to end ofAugust, Mary Elizabeth for SeptemberCleaning:Kitty Egan, Angela

McCreevey, Veronica Bayly, Kathleen Fitzpatrick and May Stynes

Newsletter: Aine O'Leary

(Wedding Saturday 27th)



FYPLORING GOD'S COVENAN WITH YOU

Holy Door - in the form of a white Arch of Mercy - has been opened outside the Chapel of Reconciliation at Knock Shrine from the beginning of the Year of Mercy. A Holy door is a deeply symbolic Catholic tradition, dating back to the Church's first

Jubilees in the 1300 and 1400s. Each Holy Year since that time, the Pope has opened Holy Doors in Rome's Papal Basilicas.

Pilgrims to Rome during a Holy Year conclude their spiritual and physical journey by crossing the threshold of one of Rome's Holy Doors, and, making the symbolic passage from sin to grace &

forgiveness. This Jubilee, Pope Francis has asked for Holy Doors to be opened in dioceses and important Shrines all over the world so that all of the Church's members can take part in the practise of crossing the threshold of a Holy Door and gaining a Plenary Indulgence - a full remission of sins.

In Dublin the official doors of Mercy open are in: The Pro-Cathedral, Our Lady of Lourdes Church in Sean Mc Dermott Street; the Church of St. Francis Xavier in Gardiner Street, the Parish Church of Sts. Peter and Mary in Arklow; and also at the House of Mercy in Baggot Street. But many other parishes & family homes have created their own Door of Mercy!

Ronan Leydon

itions

### Víllage Church Sunday 21st August

12 noon: included in the list: Ellen and John Hoare (Sincere apologies for the misprint in last week's newsletter)

Wednesday 24th	August
10.00am	Scelena and Danny Hannon and
	Grandson Andrew Hanlon
Friday 26th Aug	ust
10.00am	Kathleen Grace, 23rd anniversary
Sunday 28th August	
7.30pm (vigil)	Paddy Fitzgerald and deceased
	Members of Fitzgerald Family
	Fr. Sean Cassidy
10.30am	Conor and Alice Hogan
	Robbie and Bob Dillon
12 noon	Michael Hynes
	Mary and Joe Connolly
	Sr. Rose Martin, 1st anniversary
	Josephine and Edmund Calvely
135 - 24 PC	Michael Maguire
5.30pm	Magdalen Robertson, 9th anniversary

### Clonburrís

Sunday 21st August 11am

Kathleen Markey A. Eugene Connolly 1st A. Pauline Fallon A.

**DEATHS** 

We pray for:

Paddy O'Rourke, Hazelwood Crescent Erica Ní Draoidhneam, Riverside

And we send our deepest sympathies and prayers of support to their grieving families and friends



The prayer of all parishioners for you is: that you will always seek TRUTH with an insatiable hunger and that you will discover that TRUTH is a person, Jesus himself, and finding TRUTH you will find

your purpose in life, joy, peace and true happiness. We wish you all the best as you face the wonderful adventure of life ahead and we assure you of our prayers as you make your choices! Teresa