



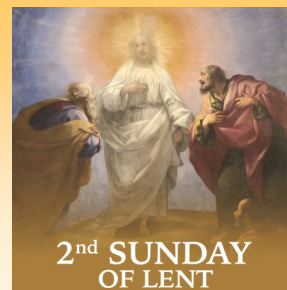
Clondalkin Village Parish

Immaculate Conception & St. Killian Church

Clonburris  **Knockmitten**

Parish Newsletter

Sunday 25th February 2018



Our lives are inevitably shaped by our images of God and invariably reflect the God we really believe in and are searching for. When we are being calculating, grasping, fearfully holding on or back, when clenched rather than open fists embody the attitude of our hearts, then regardless of what we profess with our lips, we have not yet come to believe in or understand the God of Jesus Christ. But when trust, mercy, generosity and compassion characterise our daily interactions, then we are most fully human, most truly ourselves, because we resemble as best humans can, the God in whose image and likeness we are made. Each day we are given countless opportunities. Do we miss them because that's not the Jesus we are looking for? Do they pass us by because we are too busy building our tents? But if we take a moment, if we truly take a moment to look... we realise that Jesus is transfigured every day at every moment in the world around us. He is transfigured in the guise of the hungry, the poor, the refugee, the oppressed worker, the homeless, the sick, the forgotten, ... in the very beauty and awesomeness that is creation. We might not have access to one great dazzling mountaintop moment where we encounter the transfigured Jesus, but if we have the eyes to see, we encounter the transfigured Jesus every moment of every day. The glimpse of God's glory, God's loving presence is there right before us.



C.S. Lewis referred to this transfiguration of the everyday as being burdened with the weight of the glory of others, in the world around us. If we were open to it we would be overwhelmed, he wrote, to see that the world is populated with those whom we might refer to as gods and goddesses if we were to see the full glory of God that is in them and in creation. To carry the burden of upholding the image of God in our neighbour, to see in them the transfigured Jesus, is our daily task of discipleship. It is not as simple, but what a truly transformative task it is!!

God wants to share his glory with us! We get a glimpse of this in today's gospel. God is constantly reaching out, giving us many glimpses throughout our lives, throughout our day! Sadly many can be missed. What have been the experiences, opportunities, the moments of insight that have clarified your understanding & relationship with God?

Frank Brown, PPW

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: Mary Leonard
 Flowers: No flowers during Lent
 Church Cleaning: Kitty Egan, Angela McCreevey,
 Veronica Bayly

Thank You

Monday 26th Feb - Miraculous Medal Novena after 10am Mass and Rosary.

Tuesday 27th Feb - 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 (downstairs). All welcome.

Wednesday 28th Feb - Charismatic Prayer Group *Our Lady Queen of Peace* in the Parish Pastoral Centre (downstairs).

Missionary Rosary **7.30pm** and Prayer Meeting at **8.00pm** All welcome especially any newcomers or visitors to our area.

Thursday 1st March - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Morning in the Church **10.45 to 11.45am**

Evening in the Church **Hour of Prayer 8.00 - 9.00pm** following 7.30pm Lenten Mass.

Friday 2nd March, First Friday, All Masses are offered for all whose names are on the Altar List of the Dead

Saturday, 3rd March, 1st Saturday, Fatima devotions will take place after 10am Mass and Rosary

This Week



Thank You

It was freezing standing at the 13 bus stop at Luas Red Cow recently, a 68 year old with dodgy knees and circulation half shot, sleet belting me out of it, umbrella out witted—Ennis, Waterford, Limerick, Portlaoise spraying me, woosh, woosh, woosh, woosh. Hurray 13 bus appears after 40 mins. Stiff, frozen, and drained out I scraped onto the bus, dicemanlike. With me not even orientated, as if in a dream, a man late 30's with two young children shot up to let me sit down. A massive "thank you" spilled out of every fibre of me, a savage glow of gratitude. **"When you are down to almost nothing, you can be sure that God is up to something."** (Fr. Michael Corcoran Mill Hill General Superior)

Eddie

Learn to write your hurts in the sand and to carve your benefits in stone

A story is told of two friends walking through the desert. During some point of the journey they had an argument, and one friend slapped the other one. The one who got slapped was hurt, but without saying anything, wrote in the sand:

Today my best friend slapped me in the face

They kept on walking until they found an oasis, where they decided to take a bath. The one who had been slapped got stuck in the mire and started drowning, but the friend saved him. After he recovered from the near drowning, he wrote on a stone:

Today my best friend saved my life

The friend who had slapped and saved his best friend asked him, "After I hurt you, you wrote in the sand and now, you write on a stone, why?" The other friend replied "When someone hurts us we should write it down in sand where winds of forgiveness can erase it away. But, when someone does something good for us, we must engrave it in stone where no wind can ever erase it."

(Regular reader of the Newsletter)



Please Note: New Rosters now available for collection from the Sacristy.

Village Church



Sunday 25th Feb

6.30pm (Vigil) Michael & Bridie McDermott (An), Shane Coughlan, Annette Connor, Mary and Edward Corrigan (An), Kathleen Murphy (MM)

9.00am Mass Intention: Retention of the 8th Amendment

10.30am Denis & Nora Minogue (An)
 George Walsh (36th An), Teresa Cahill (4th An)
 Monica Lernihán & Michael Lynch (An)

12noon David Smith (An), John Joe Brady (18th An) and Sara Brady (11th An)

5:30pm John & Mary O'Neill

Monday 26th Feb

10.00am Mass for retention of the 8th Amendment

Tuesday 27th Feb 10:00am Con & Mary Higgins

7:30pm Sarah Delaney (7th An)

Wednesday 28th Feb

7:30am Paddy O'Connell (An), Kathleen Kennedy

10.00am Teresa Cahill (4th An)

7:30pm Mass for retention of the 8th Amendment

Friday 2nd March

7:30am First Friday of the Month

10.00am First Friday of the Month

Sunday 4th March

6.30pm Vigil Robert & Joan Crookes (RIP)
 David O'Sullivan (B'day Rem)

10.30am Anne & John Connolly (An),
 Bridie Naughton (An), John & Eleanor Coogan and dec'd family members, Paddy & Noreen Maher (An)

12noon Oliver Grace (2nd An) and dec'd members of the Grace Family

Clonburris

Saturday 24th Feb @ 6.30pm

Hugh Kiernan (RD), Liam Smith (RD)

Sunday 25th Feb @ 11.00am

Edward Gleeson (An), David O'Doherty (An),
 Anthony O'Brien (B'day Rem) Louis & Brigid Dardis (An)
 Patrick & Madge Buggle (An)



LIAM SMITH, Clondalkin

SHEILA McCAULEY, Laurel Park

MARGARET LEDWIDGE, Tower Road

PEG MOORE, Laurel Park, formally Ballymount

ELLA BENNETT, Clondalkin, formally Bluebell

MARIE SULLIVAN, Dunawley Way

Our thoughts and prayers are with their families at this time

In November over 30,000 Irish People gathered at our coasts to pray the rosary to preserve Life & Faith in Ireland. Now we turn to our Mass Rocks and Ancient Monastic Sites, on Sunday March 18th, at 2.30pm, to pray the rosary, and ask our deceased brethren, who risked their lives for the faith, to intercede for Ireland. Sign up a location at www.coastalrosaryireland.ie



St. Joseph's Young Priests Society

fosters vocations to the priesthood and religious life and assists financially in the education of students for the priesthood.

Next meeting will be held on Wednesday **28th**

February at **10.45am** in the Pastoral Centre.

New members welcome!



**PLEASE
NOTE**

Diocesan Child Safeguarding training is being held in Neilstown Church on **Wed 14th March at 10:45am**. All involved in ministry in our parishes are encouraged to attend.

Pilgrimage to Medjugorje - 9th to 15th May. 7 Nights Bed, breakfast & Dinner. Cost €689. **Interested?** - contact Joan in Neilstown Parish Office - 01 457 3546



This year's **All-Ireland for Life** is taking place in Dublin on **Saturday 10th March at 2pm** at Parnell Square, Dublin 1. Please come along and show your support.

Donagh O Callaghan

Have you always wanted to paint but didn't know where to start? Well, why not come along to Jackie's Art Class and discover your inner artist. The classes take place in the Bawnogue Community Centre on Thursday mornings from 10am to 12 noon.



For more info, call Jackie on 087 938 3434



The World Meeting of Families is a gathering of the Catholic Church that has occurred every three years since 1994. It is organized by the Dicastery for Laity, Family and Life, which "promotes the pastoral care of families, protects their rights and dignity in the Church and in civil society, so that they may ever be more able to fulfill their duties". The most recent meeting took place in Philadelphia in 2015 and the next meeting will take place in Dublin from 22nd to 26th August this year. WMOF 2018 is convened by the Holy Father and Pope Francis is expected to attend. To help defray the cost of such an ambitious project the SHARE Collection today will be replaced by a special collection and please do give generously.



CLONDALKIN HISTORY SOCIETY LECTURE

Three Artists buried in St. Maelruains - Evie Hone, Oisín Kelly, Elizabeth Rivers - the connection between them. Illustrated talk by Tomás Maher on **Monday 26th February**. Venue: Arás Chronain, Watery Lane. Starting at 8pm. Admission is €5 (non-members) **All are welcome.**

Josephine Byrne



I enjoyed my mid term break last week. Visited the Lenten garden in the church and wrote my card to

hang on the tree. I really had to say sorry to my little brother. I knew I had made him cry for no good reason - and then went to confession.

Now I am a lot happier!

Adam and Alex Leonard still enjoy the quizzes - how about all of you kids out there? Since last Wednesday, Ash Wednesday my family are saving jelly beans and storing them in these boxes. What box do I move from the top shelf to the bottom so that each shelf will have equal amounts? Your answers to Newsletter - address on the front of Newsletter

Ciaara



Do you play an instrument or sing? Our **Adult Jammin' group** will be meeting again, **Wed 28th Feb at 4:30 - 6pm** in the Pastoral Ctr., Clondalkin Village Church!! Come along, bring a bit of music & see you then!!

Church Gate Collection for CASA on Sunday 25th February

Caring and Sharing Association supports people with disabilities.

Please be as generous as you can



Open Evening in Scoil Áine Clondalkin

Tues 27th February 5 - 7 PM

Come and visit our wonderful school. See the amazing work on display. Enrolment forms for 2018/19 and 2019/20 will be available.

admin@scoilaine.ie, www.scoilaine.ie 014591645

Invite friends and family!

Monday Club 19 February 2018

We had quite a busy Monday today, and what a surprise we had when we had an unexpected visit from Frank Drescher who spent time in our parish and is now studying for the priesthood in Rome. He used to visit the Monday Club while living in the parish and he very kindly dropped in to say hello. Thank you Frank and be assured of our prayers.

This past week was "Pancake Tuesday" which is a fundraiser for the Children's Hospital, Tallaght. Last week we had the young people from LOCALISE who came to celebrate St Valentine's Day with us which meant we deferred the pancakes to this Tuesday. I hope everybody got a pancake. We tried to get around everybody with a warm pancake and some hot tea. The proceeds from the morning is being donated to the Children's Hospital in Tallaght. We raised €81 and thanks to those who gave donations for same.

We had Rodger Flood from Dublin Bus together with a young man Caolan Ryan on work experience. Rodger told us about himself, his life experiences and how he came to work for Dublin Bus. He told us about safe travelling on the bus, train or Luas. He also helps people with difficulty travelling on public transport through the Travel Assist Scheme. He helps people gain confidence travelling on public transport, gave tips and advice on travelling confidently and safely, communicating with the driver etc. He then gave us sponge squeeze balls which can be used to exercise your hands by squeezing them, special wallets to hold your travel pass and can be used without taking it out when scanning while going on bus, Luas etc. Very useful indeed. It is proposed that Rodger will return again at a later date with a more modern bus and maybe we might get a little spin somewhere. Thank you Frank and Caolan for coming and giving us informative information and what to expect while traveling.

Anybody interested in going to the MISA Art in St James's Hospital, please contact me to book a place for you. The exhibitions are on Wednesday 21 March, April and 23 May. Booking is essential.

Our sincere sympathy to Maura Ledwidge and her family on the death of Margaret. Margaret was a frequent visitor to the Club before she became ill. Margaret's brother Joe died just about two months ago. May they both rest in peace!

Until next week take care

Kathleen R

The annual Novena of Grace will start on **Sunday 4th March**. The prayer to St. Francis Xavier will be recited at all Masses each day during the novena. Novena prayers will be available at the entrances of the church.



Pupils from Scoil Íde will attend the 10am First Friday Mass on 2nd March
Reminder: Masses during Lent
7.30am, 10am and 7.30pm Monday to Friday