



Clondalkin Village Parish

Immaculate Conception & St. Killian Church

Clonburris ✚ **Knockmitten**

Parish Newsletter

Sunday, 25th September 2016



To make a difference in someone's life, you don't have to be brilliant, rich, beautiful, or perfect. You just have to care enough and be there.

Today's Gospel has always been one that unsettled me. The parable of Lazarus and the rich man paints a dramatic scene of contrasts - riches and poverty, heaven and hell, compassion and indifference, inclusion and exclusion. It's a story in which we see an abrupt and dramatic reversal of

fortune - in the end the rich man became a beggar!

In the story you also have a poor man called Lazarus but the rich man is nameless – as if to emphasise that in spite of all his money and all the power and influence that comes with it, he is a **Nobody!** The central message of this story seems to lie fates of these two individuals after death and is very much tied to their experiences of wealth and poverty in this life. What is very striking is that the rich man is not presented as being cruel to Lazarus or mistreating him. He was 'condemned' for doing nothing, for seeing the miserable state of Lazarus and doing nothing about it. I think it was the French playwright Moliere who said, '*It is not only for what we do that we are held responsible, but also for what we do not do.*'

When I was in training for the role of Parish Pastoral Worker we were advised that when we went to a parish to spend time observing, listening to the 'voices' of the parish to really get to know the needs of the parish and community. What I have come to realise over years is that quite often those who need the most have no voice so no amount of 'listening' will ever hear them, they are also quite often the invisible issues that are hidden in plain sight! This is what I think I find most unsettling about this reading, it throws down the gauntlet to me to ask myself – when I have noticed them but not seen them... when I have heard them but not listened to them?

In essence Luke 16 is not just about money or wealth. When we really understand the chapter, the key elements are personal relationships and solidarity. Almsgiving and charitable acts are good but personal involvement is better and to be involved means first to notice and see, to hear and listen. Pope Francis in *Evangelii Gaudium* says, '*Each individual Christian and every community is called to be an instrument of God for the liberation and promotion of the poor, and for enabling them to be fully a part of society. This demands that we be docile and attentive to the cry of the poor and to come to their aid.*' 187

The comfort I will take with me this week then is – '*To make a difference in someone's life you don't have to be brilliant, rich, beautiful, or perfect. You Just have to care enough and be there*' (Unknown) - I pray, that with God's help, I can and I do.

Frank Brown, Parish Pastoral Worker

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 (Family);

Holy Days 11am

Confessions Before Masses

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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not later than 4.30pm

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CONGRATULATIONS To...

Joanne Boylan and Michael Heaney
Marta Biernacka and Aidan McCabe
Who recently received the sacrament of Marriage

CHURCH DUTY

Altar Linen: Mary Jenkins
Flowers: Kathleen Cosgrove for October
Cleaning: Rita Arnold
(Wedding on Friday)



MONDAY CLUB

Yes! We will be back every week from Monday 26th September. Last year we closed for the summer, but due to demand it was opened for one Monday in the month of July and August

with great attendance.

This year we kept it opened during the summer months by having the club open fortnightly with great attendance throughout.

We had a few outings too during the summer. We visited Cobh, Kilmainham Jail, and the exhibition in the GPO with up to twenty people on each trip.

On Monday 26th (tomorrow) we will open with the annual **COFFEE MORNING** in support of the Hospice. We raised €730 last year. It would be wonderful if we could break that figure this year.

Coffee Morning

Everyone Welcome



I ask everyone to bring as many people as you can muster up to come to the **COFFEE MORNING** and give it support. Unfortunately we all know someone who has been a patient there, let it be a member of family or friend. They do a wonderful job caring for the sick and dying and funds are greatly needed in providing the service.

I also ask if you can bake or bring something too to help us have plenty for all who come to support this main fundraiser for the Hospice.. We will also have a raffle with some nice prizes.

Everybody, men too, are welcome in the Monday Club each and every Monday. **Kathleen R.** (Pastoral Centre after 10am Mass)



We pray for **Maureen Slevin**, New Road, who died during the week and we pray for her grieving family and friends.
May she Rest in Peace, Amen

JUST FOR KIDS !

Aadarsh Vlogs tells us the answer to last week's riddle is "silence". Well done Aadarsh, that's the correct answer.

Your gift is waiting for you to be picked up from the Sacristy after Mass today.

Ciara tells us she now wants someone else to send in a riddle or quiz to let her to take part. However she sends this one for you to solve



Q: A house has 4 walls. All of the walls are facing south, and a bear is circling the house. **What colour is the bear?**

Please do get involved in the fun by sending in the answer and your riddle - email or to the Sacristy. We will have a gift for the first one drawn



Village Church
Sunday 2nd October
 7.30pm (Vigil)

10.30am

5.30pm

Benny and Anne Cummins
 Owen Doherty, mm
 Edward Norton
 Gerard and Terence Doyle
 Frances and John McDonald
 Kevin and Desmond McDonald
 Maeve and Jimmy Whiston
 And Helen Howett

CLONBURRIS

Saturday 24th September

6.30pm

John Blackburn b/ day rem.

Sunday 25th September

11am

Mary Deegan A,
 Bob Rumgay A,

Welcome to Ben o'Brien who was Baptised on Saturday 17th September



CLONBURRIS WOMAN'S DEVELOPMENT

Group Dance Fitness Class starts back
 on Thursday 22nd Sept
 @ 8pm contact on 0863506380.



Monday 26th September

Miraculous Medal Novena
 after 10am Mass and Rosary

Tuesday 27th September

Legion of Mary meets in the
 Convent at 11am

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

CCPC Intercessory Prayer for 9 Clondalkin Parishes

Intercessory Group praying in Pastoral Centre 7.30pm
 to 8.30pm and all welcome!

Wednesday 28th September

Charismatic Prayer Group, Our Lady Queen of Peace, Prayer Meeting 8pm, preceded by Missionary Rosary at 7.30pm in the Pastoral Centre and all are welcome!

Thursday 29th September

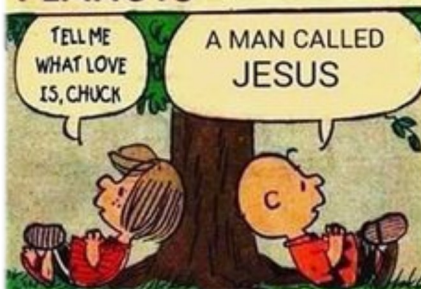
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Church: 10.45am to 11.45am

Church: 7pm to 9pm and all are welcome



PEANUTS





SCHOOL CHILDREN'S LITURGIES

10.00am: Opening Mass for the children of Scoil Ide on **Monday 26th September**

10.00am: opening Mass for the children of Scoil Mhuire **Thursday 29th September**

The usual 10am Mass goes always look forward eagerly in having the children of the local schools join in the celebration of Mass with them.



CLONDALKIN HISTORY SOCIETY LECTURE

The 2016/2017 lecture series commences on **Monday 26th September.**

Mícheál O Doibhilín will give an illustrated talk **"Josie a brief flame"** (Josie McGowan, 19 at the time of the Rising and who died shortly thereafter)

Venue: Aras Chronain, starting at 8pm.

Admission is €5 (non-members) and all are Welcome! Josephine Byrne



Beautiful baby boy



Congrats to our Pastoral Worker Christina Malone and her husband Dominic on the birth of the latest edition to their family

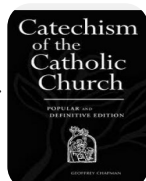
Fionn Patrick Anthony Malone, very fittingly born on the feast day of Hildegard of Bingen!

Our prayers and best wishes go out to them at this joyous time.

ADULT CATECHISM STUDIES

Social Justice

God has not intended that we should live in isolation but to be part of society. The basic building block of society is the human person. Without respect for human rights and the dignity of the human person social justice does not exist and the common good is not served. The exercise of authority is to be at the service of human dignity and human rights otherwise moral legitimacy is undermined. It is the Church's role to remind men of good will of human rights and to distinguish them from unwarranted or false claims.



Wednesday 28th September at 7.30pm,
Presentation Convent,

(The Moral Law, paragraphs 1949-1986)

Ronan Leydon

CLONDALKIN GARDA LOCAL POLICING FORUM MEETING

A Public meeting will take place at the **Green Isle Hotel, Naas Road** on **Thursday 29th of Sept 2016 at 7.30pm.**

Garda and South Dublin County Council Management will attend. All are Welcome. Any queries contact **Stephen Lydon Sergt** L18. at 0872297402. Clondalkin Garda Station. Dublin 22. 016667600.



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NOT TO BE MISSED!
Looking back at 1916

Enjoy a night of **Music, Song, Poetry and Drama** at **Áras Chrónáin**

on **Sunday, October 2nd, 7.30pm**

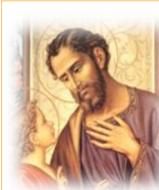
Light refreshments after show

Go raibh maith agaibh, Leo 4591123 / 086 3213093



The Pioneer Total Abstinence Association is seeking new members, the Association is over 100 yrs in Clondalkin, any age group are welcome to join, just leave your name with any member or in the Parish shop.

ST. JOSEPH'S YOUNG PRIESTS SOCIETY



The next monthly meeting will be held in the Pastoral Centre on Wednesday, next **28th September at 10.45am** and new members are always welcome!

I just wanted to share a simple work of Mercy with you that has meant a lot to me. Over a year ago my younger sister died unexpectedly. It was a horrific and tumultuous time for family and friends. As with any funeral there were friends and family that we had not seen for years that came together in grief, to give their support and comfort. As the days afterwards turned to weeks and the weeks to months the number of people calling, keeping touch dramatically dwindled to the point that it seemed my sister's name became only spoken amongst close family and friends, only came into focus at her month's mind or birthday. I know life moves on but it was in those following months that the reality, the loss and grief became harder to deal with. But, as I said, life seemed to move on and her loss seemed like 'old news'. Throughout this time there has been one, much unexpected and extremely welcome exception. At the funeral I had met an old primary school pal that I hadn't seen in years and had lost contact with and we exchanged numbers. Since then and even now, almost twice a week and at times when I have most needed it, I would get a text or *whatsapp* message from him that is as simple as, *"Was thinking of you, I hope your doing well!"* or *"Keeping you in the prayers."*

A simple gesture that has meant so much. **PM**

Keep your Gems of Mercy coming!! Local stories & examples. Up to 250 words in length or a picture that needs no words!!

We would love to hear from you!!

Email: Parishnews1@gmail.com



FEAST OF THE LITTLE FLOWER

"I will spend my Heaven doing "GOOD" upon earth. After my death I will let fall a shower of ROSES" - St Therese

Her Feast day fall on Saturday next, **1st Oct.** and to honour the occasion we will have the usual **BLESSING OF ROSES at 10am Mass.** Nancy Beirne, sister of Minnie Murphy will be in attendance and will bring a Relic of St. Therese and a Relic of her Parents.



The Ministers of the Liturgical Environment will try to have a supply of Roses, but to ensure there will be enough to go around please do bring your own. People living alone, who are housebound, in hospital may welcome a gift of a Blessed Rose especially during this Year of Mercy.

A REFLECTION: "

"I am faint with love. O that His left hand were under my head and that His right hand embraced me" St. Teresa of Avilla -

sent in by Eddie Byrne