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#### Monday Club 27 February 2017

A great crowd came to the Monday Club today. Welcome to all, and welcome to Marion and Helen who came for the first time. I hope you enjoyed your visit to us. Welcome back Peggy O'N who has not been with us for a long while after an illness. We wish you good health.

We offer our sincere condolences to the family and Sisters of the Presentation Order on the death of Sr. Michael.

Due to the Mass and funeral of Sr. Michael taking place during the club time we did not have any organized activity on this occasion. May Sr. Michael Rest in Peace.

Frank spoke about the forthcoming Lenten Retreat and distributed a few leaflets and resources regarding Lent which were very well received.

The Women's Day of Prayer is on in St John's Church this year on Friday 3 March at 11.00am.

The theme this year is "Am I been unfair to you". The prayers and readings prepared by the women of the Philippines. This is an important date in our calendar as the Women's Day of Prayer unites all women throughout the world in prayer. Everyone is welcome. Next week we hope to have Brian McKeon who will speak on *Genealogy* - Until then take care



We are now into Lent a time to prepare for Easter. All the talk among us kids in school is about "giving up" something we like. I'm not good at giving up so I'm going to try doing something instead. Mam say "what about getting up as soon as I'm called". I'll think about it but I might forget!. Frank, our Pastoral worker has lots of ideas and I will try

something - I think I'll try the

MAD Lenten Jellybean Challenge & try and make the bracelet!! See - www.clondalkinparish.com/?p=2112



My Grandad grew up in Tipperary and told me he remembered his Mam and Dad doing the "black fast" for Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. They ate their bread dry - no chocolate spread, no butter - and drank their tea without sugar and milk.

Frank suggested we plant a flower for someone who has helped us, inspires us and say a prayer for them. That I can and will definitely do. What about you? Ciara



Members of "Localise" who entertained the Monday Club while on their mid term break recently. *photos by Theresa O'Leary*. "Localise" are celebrating fifteen years since their formation by Fr. John Wall. They are very much a part of our community and we wish them well and look forward to many more years of service in the parish.

Working for a Just World Working for a Just World

suffering of people living in the world's poorest regions. This Lent, your help is urgently needed.

Right now, people in Honduras are struggling to survive Hurricanes and constant flooding. And families in South Sudan and Somalia are suffering extreme hunger caused by drought and conflict. Wherever life is at risk and the need is most severe, you can be the difference that matters. Please do take a TROCAIRE box and after Lent return it with your donation. *The boxes are available from front of the church.* 



We extend deepest sympathies and prayers to the family and friends of **Sr. Michael.** 

Sr. Michael, a sister of the Presentation Order, served in the parish for many years. Sadly missed by the Presentation Sisters and all the Parish. May she rest in peace!



A "MAD (Make a Difference) LENTEN TREE" -Courtesy of the CCPC Youth Initiative Group - has been erected at Sacred Space. People are asked to commit to doing at least one Act Of Kindness this Lent for someone else, Take a tag (or more if needed) and anonymously write down what you did /

or are doing to help others and place it on the tree.

We also encourage you to plant a flower for someone who inspires you to do good works - **please do this in the garden outside.** It has a better chance of surviving. You are welcome to place a plant that is not yet in bloom in the Lenten Reflection area keeping with the penitential nature of the season.



The Revelation of Prayer - In the Old Testament Prayer is bound up with human history, for it is the relationship with God in historical events. The Catechism traces the development of prayer from Abraham through to Moses, David and Elijah.

God has always called people to prayer and it is above all beginning with our father Abraham that prayer is revealed in the Old Testament. From the time of David, the Psalms, *a* 

collection of prayers in the form of hymns or poetry assembled over several centuries, still remain essential to the prayer of the Church.

Prayer involves courage to commit oneself, and to be willing to trust God who desires that we engage ourselves in the struggle of prayer.

Wednesday 8th March at 8pm – Presentation Convent (paragraphs 2568-2597)



In addition to the weekly morning Masses of 7.30am and 10am there will be an **additional Mass** each evening at **7.30pm during Lent** 

### **CHURCH DUTY**

Altar Linen: Angela Minahan Church Cleaning: Veronica Bayly, Bernardine Wynne, Tracy Whelan and Josephine Hearty Flowers: No flowers for Lent

Monday 6th March-Miraculous Medal Novena after Thewee 10am Mass and Rosary.

Tuesday 7th March-Lectio Divina under the guidance of Sr. Anne after 10am Mass in the Pastoral Centre.

CCPC Intercessory Prayer for 9 Clondalkin Parishes-Group joining in Adoration in **Deansrath Church**. 7.30 to 8.30pm. Wednesday 8th March-Charismatic Prayer Group Our Lady Queen of Peace meeting in Parish Pastoral Centre at 7.30pm For Rosary and Prayer Meeting at 8.00pm. Come and join us! Thursday 9th March-Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Morning: In the Church 54.89 to 55.89am.

**Evening:** In the Sisters' Oratory - Holy Hour 8 to 9pm. Legion of Mary meets in the Convent at 12 noon - new members always welcome.

### The Pioneer Total Abstinence Society are

offering a Short Term Pledge for anyone interested in abstaining from Alcohol for Lent. Please leave your name and number in the Parish Office, 01 4593520 or contact Máire at 086 3445249.

Holly Kathleen O'Neill, Yellow Meadows Drive Rosie Cora Dunne, Woodford Road Baptism Sarah Beth Hope Jackson, Alpine Heights Cian Brendan Lehane, Monastery Drive Aurora Ana O'Sullivan, Ashwood Road Charlie Thomas O'Sullivan, Castlegrange Close Saoirse Clodagh-Mai Kelly, Pinewood Estate

Filip Michal Kozlowski, Mount Talbot

Congratulations and Welcome!



**Recently Married!** 

Stacey Sweeney & Craig Sneddon

# An update from the recent CCPC meeting 21 February 2017

A range of points were discussed at the last meeting of the CCPC held in Sruleen on 21 Feb. Here's few of the highlights -

- Bawnogue's Church Roof. Work progressing well but weather slowing things a bit. A proposal to raise funds, as a sign of solidarity between the parishes of the CCPC was discussed and will be formally presented at the next meeting.
- The MAD (Make a Difference) project for young people which started in the CCPC Youth Initiative Group has now gone global thanks to social media with some 80k shares worldwide. The project continued on Friday 3rd March in Rowlagh Church. Confirmation candidates from all parishes were invited to a free movie night - "Evan Almighty"- & pizza!
- Keep an eye out for all the new Lenten resources (See: http://www.clondalkinparish.com/?cat=12) which should be available in all parishes this weekend. Some novel ideas for Lent for the younger and not so younger members of our Parishes to use that can put a different slant on the Lenten season. It was also agreed to have a weekly series of talks for Lent - details on the front of this newsletter!!
- A new priest has been appointed to the Parish of the Travelling **People** – Fr Paul O'Driscoll. We look forward to meeting him and welcoming him to our group at our next meeting.
- The CCPC prayer book for Children, which will contain prayers submitted by children from all the Clondalkin parishes is well in production. Launching around Easter Sunday as a target date.

Our next meeting will be in Deansrath on 21 March at 7.30pm.

# Víllage Church

Sunday 5th March 7.30pm Vigil

- 9am
- 10.30am

12noon

Mon 6th March 10am Wed 8th March 10am Fri 10th March 10am

Eamon & James McDonagh (An) John/Gerald Horan Ann O'Brien (MM) Anne & John Connolly (An) Bridie Naughton (An) Paddy & Noreen Maher (An) Madge & Joe Sheerin (An) Billie Lehihan (MM) Richard Flatman (1st An) Michael & Eileen O'Connor (11th An) Mary McGee (1st An) Madge Moore (BRem) Eileen Holohan (51st An)

Patricia Gray (BRem)

## Clonburrís

Saturday 4th March (Vigil) 6.30pm Mary Connolly (An) Sunday 5th March 11am Rose and Peter Connolly (An), Maphie Molloy (An), Christopher Downey (An), Gerard McKenna (An)

### Lourdes 2017

Our annual Parish Pilgrimage to Lourdes this year takes place from 12th to 17th May. Booking forms are now available in the Sacristy, Parish Office and Parish Shop. Padraig Doyle, Group Organiser.





The boys of St. Joseph's School will attend 10.00am Mass on Friday 10th March.

Anam Cara, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding its next monthly Parents Evening on Monday 13th March from



7.30 to 9.00pm in the Maldron Hotel, Tallaght (please note change of venue). This event is open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death or

whether the death was recent or not.

**Clodagh Dingle, Anam Cara Parental & Sibling Bereavement** Support. Tel: (01) 4045378 Email: c.dingle@anamcara.ie

### Fairtrade Fortnight 2017 is 27th Feb to 12th March

Clondalkin Fairtrade will be hosting these events **9th March** as part of Local Enterprise Week (3rd to 10th Mar) we will host a business event in Bawnogue Enterprise Centre at 3.00pm.



10th March at 3.00pm in Clondalkin SDCC Office, the Art Competition will be judged. There will be Children, Teenagers and Adult Sections. All entries will also be submitted into the Clondalkin Handcraft and Horticultural Show on 21st October. The winners and some chosen ones will be on display in Clondalkin Library from 10th to 17th March. The theme of the competition is Promoting Clondalkin Fairtrade. Cllr F. Timmons

'The question is not "How am I to find God?" but "How am I to let myself be found by Him?" The question is not "How am I to know God?" but

"How am I to let myself be known by God?" And finally, the question is not "How am I to love God?" but "How am I to let myself be loved by God?" God is looking into the distance for me, Trying to find me, and longing to bring me home.' (Henri J. Nouwen)





