



Clondalkin Village Parish

Immaculate Conception & St. Killian Church

Clonburris  **Knockmitten**

Parish Newsletter

Sunday 6th May 2018

6th Sunday of Easter

**You are
my friends!
Remain
in my
Love!**



BRING FLOWERS OF THE RAREST

Seán Brown and Fr. Shán O'Cuív led off the singing of the traditional Marian hymn at 7.30 Mass on Tuesday morning as I did myself at 9.30. Our second Mass of the day was at 9.30am as we had Confirmation at 11 o'clock that morning. For many parishioners, this lovely hymn is a reminder of childhood days of long ago. A few of you mentioned traditions like the May Altar at home, etc. so make sure you pick up our little resources for the Month of May! We are encouraging as many families and schools to make a little prayer space in their home or classroom as part of our preparations for the World Meeting of Families in August.



O Mary! we crown thee
with blossoms today,
Queen of the Angels,
Queen of the May,



As many of you know, May to September is my favourite time of the year, the long days and the bright weather cheers me up. I think that's why we traditionally have processions at this time of the year. It is also the time of year for First Communions, secondary school graduations and our annual parish Lourdes pilgrimage. This year's pilgrimage commences next Saturday 12th May led by Fr. Shán O'Cuív. They will be praying for us and we will pray for them. There is a certain sadness that the late Padraig Doyle, parish leader of the pilgrimage for so many years, will not be present. We commend him to the protection of Saint Bernadette and Our Blessed Lady.

Saint Joseph's Boys School Confirmation took place on Tuesday 1st May. In his homily, Monsignor Dan O' Connor encouraged the boys to use the gifts of the Holy Spirit to make a difference in their own lives and to be the light of Christ to all. In our part of the world the month of May is when most of our younger parishioners receive the Body of Christ for the first time. We keep all those who are preparing for the Sacraments in our prayers.



The Leaving and Junior Certificate examinations begin in less than a month's time and we keep the students, parents and indeed their teachers in our prayers. *Memo to staff to order extra candles*, as in previous years we have noticed an increase in the demand for candles during the first week of June. May Saint Joseph of Cupertino intercede for all those sitting examinations in the next few weeks.

Fr. Damian

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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not later than 4.30pm

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CHURCH DUTY

Altar Linen: Mary O'Neill
Flowers: Any team member for maintenance
Church Cleaning: Rita Arnold

Thank you!

Monday 7th May - Miraculous Medal Novena after 10am Mass and Rosary.

Tuesday 8th May- Lectio Divina, a time to reflect on the Scriptures, led by Sr. Anne. In the Parish Pastoral Centre after the 10am Mass and Rosary.

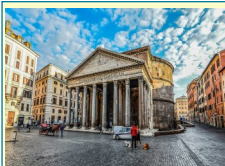
CCPC Intercessory Prayer for Clondalkin Cluster of Parishes. This Tuesday 8th May Intercessory Group meeting in Pastoral Centre **7.30pm - 8.30pm**. All welcome.

Thursday 10th May - Adoration. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

Morning: **10.45 - 11.45am** in the Church.

Evening: In the Church - Hour of Prayer **8.00-9.00pm** (Fr. Padraig) All welcome.

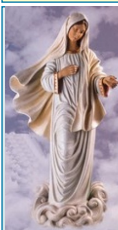
This Week



Parish Pilgrimage to Rome and San Giovanni Rotonda

There will be a pilgrimage to Rome, San Giovanni Rotondo and Benevento to mark the 50th anniversary of the death of Saint Pio de Pietrelcina (Padre Pio).

We will depart for Rome on **Monday 24th September** and fly out from Naples on Monday 1st October. The cost will be **€980**. That is based on a half board in Rome, full board in San Giovanni and half board in Benevento. If you are interested, please contact Father Damian 01-459 3520



29th August to 5th September 2018 Pilgrimage to Medjugorje with Marian Pilgrimages - Cost - €669

Do you feel you would like to experience Medjugorje for yourself? Or long to return there after a previous visit?

I am leading a group from Clondalkin just after Pope Francis' visit to Ireland. Day flights, 7 nights accommodation near Church, breakfast and dinner included. Full religious programme.

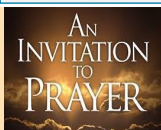
For more information, please contact me - as soon as possible - as demand for these places will be increasing now that holiday season has arrived.

Claire O'Connell Mobile: 087 126 7398



Social Support Agency of the Catholic Archdiocese of Dublin

On behalf of CROSSCARE, I would like to express our sincere thanks for your cheque for **€1,260** which we received in relation to our Annual Appeal on the weekend of 17th and 18th March 2018, from your Parish. We fully appreciate the generosity of your congregation. **Conor Hickey**



Please join us for an afternoon of prayer and Reparation for the protection of the Unborn and for the Reparation for the ways Ireland has turned away from God on Sunday May 13th (Feast of Our Lady of Fatima) from 3.30pm - 6.30pm (Mass included) in Our Lady of Victories Church, Pearse Street, Sallynoggin. Please come along, urgent prayer is needed.

For more info contact: Human Life International (Ireland), Knock. Tel:094-9375993.

Tomorrow, 1st Monday in May is a bank Holiday.
Mass at 10am only - no 7.30am Mass.

Enjoy the day!



Village Church

Sunday 6th May

6.30pm Vigil Camilla Martin (An)

10.30am Annie Fitzsimons (An), John O'Mahony (An) Special Intention

12noon William Caney (2nd An), Pat Mooney (An)

5.30pm Johanna Hoban (Pekham) (1st An)

Late of Castle Park - died in U.K.

Monday 7th May

Please note there is no 7.30am Mass this morning

10.00am Christopher, Lillian & Brendan Behan (An)

Wednesday 9th May

7.30am Raymond Condron (B'day Rem)

Saturday 12th May

Please note Mass at 9.30am this morning

Sunday 13th May

6.30pm Vigil Rita O'Sullivan (An)

George Guilfoyle (An), Karen Breen (MM)

12noon Anita Arnold (1st An), Carol Nolan (5th An)



Clonburris

Sunday 6th May At 11.00am

Annie and William Kavanagh (An), Paddy Deans (An)



"Receiving God's Gift" - the 4th in the series of Talks in preparation for Pentecost, 20th May hosted by the Charismatic Prayer Group will be held on Wednesday, 9th May at 8pm in the Pastoral. All are welcome!



Recently Married

Claire McGrane & Mark Anthony James

Maureen McDonagh & Anthony McDonagh

Congratulations!



As our parishioners set off on their pilgrimage to Lourdes on Saturday 12th May, we pray for their protection on the journey and ask them to remember us before the Grotto and at the Masses they attend there.



The official Launch of Clondalkin Handcraft and Horticultural Show took place this week in Áras Chrónain. We are growing in strength every year. This year, we will be coinciding with Clondalkin Festival 2018. Our event will run over two days - 30th June and 1st July - during the Village Festival. Come and join us for fun and friendly rivalry!



The girls of Scoileanna Aine, Ide and Mhuire will receive their 1st Holy Communion next Saturday, 12th May at 11am.

The reception of the Sacraments are big occasions in the life of the Church. We pray for the children, their families and their teachers and pray they will have an experience they will always treasure.

To facilitate the occasion Mass will be at 9.30am not 10am



The pupils of Scoil Áine will join the congregation for 10am Mass on Friday 11th May.



The Parish Pilgrimage to Knock is booked for Saturday 8th September, Feast of Our Lady's Birthday. The Pilgrimage which had lapsed for a few years was revived last year and proved very popular.

The all in fare of €40 includes coach, stop off in Athlone for tea/coffee scones, dinner on the way back. Fr. Padraig has again agreed to travel with us and will provide Spiritual guidance. It is too soon to take money yet - just accept this as an advance notice.

B.E. Beginning Experience

B.E. is a support group for those coping with the pain of loss of their life partner, through Death, Separation or Divorce. Few people are able to cope alone with the pain of loss. Do you find that you need more support than family and friends can provide? Seeking help is a sign of strength and self-knowledge – not weakness. This is a healing ministry, which helps to resolve the grief that goes with the end of a marriage or relationship. Coping effectively with bereavement is a skill we can all learn.

Next residential weekend will be held 25th – 27th May 2018, in Dominican Retreat House, Tallaght, Dublin 24. For further information please contact 086 0877379 or email bedublin@gmail.com or www.beginningexperience.ie



Anyone visiting the Church last Tuesday morning couldn't help asking "What is going on. Who of importance is visiting?" The Church was radiant in colour and candlelight to welcome the Holy Spirit as Mon Dan O'Connor bestowed the Sacrament of Confirmation on the boys of St. Joseph's School. The sun even joined in the celebration as it made its very welcome appearance. We offer our congratulations to the boys and hope the memory of the day will always remain with them and their families.

IF THE ONLY PRAYER
YOU EVER SAY IS
"THANK YOU,"
THAT WILL
BE ENOUGH.

This quotation by Meister Eckhard, sent in by Eddie reminded me of the following story. "A blind boy sat on the steps of a building with a hat by his feet. He held up a sign which said: "I am blind, please help." There were only a few coins in the hat.

A man was walking by. He took a few coins from his pocket and dropped them into the hat. He then took the sign and wrote some words. He put the sign back so that everyone who walked by would see the new words.

Soon the hat began to fill up. A lot more people were giving money to the blind boy.

That afternoon the man who had changed the sign came to see how things were. The boy recognized his footsteps and asked, "Were you the one who changed my sign this morning? What did you write?" The man said, "I only wrote the truth. I said what you said but in a different way. I wrote:

Today is a beautiful day, but I cannot see it."

The first sign simply said the boy was blind. The second sign told people that they were so lucky that they were not blind.

Should we be surprised that the second sign was more effective?

Teresa



Fr. Tom visited us during the week and we got around talking about the Holy Spirit and Pentecost and that led us to talking about being "HAPPY".

It was good fun and we all had different definitions. Fr. Tom definition made more sense—"when we know we are loved by God and we are doing what He wants us to do"

I enjoyed Adam's and Alex's colouring and quiz—beautifully done!

I have a very difficult quiz so you will need help and GOOGLE! We are coming up to holiday time. Can you match

1. Venice	A. Germany
2. Kingston	B. Brazil
3. Helsinki	C. France
4. Sao Paulo	D. Italy
5. Nice	E. Jamaica
6. Cologne	F. Finland

each of these cities with the country they are in?

Looking forward to hearing from you—stories, quizzes, riddles etc.

Please send in your replies to us in the Newsletter—address on front page or just leave them in to the Sacristy or Office.

Ciara

Supporting the Businesses Appeal

Please take a look at the advertisements at the back of our Newsletter because it is thanks to the support of these businesses that allows us to have such a colourful and impressive Newsletter. If you do avail of the services of one of our advertisers, please do let them know you saw their advert in the Newsletter so that they know they are getting value for their investment! *A huge thank you to them all!*

We are also appealing to our parishioners and local business owners that if they would like to be involved in the publication please get in contact with the parish office or call **LPI** directly on **01 901 5800** and advertising can be arranged for you. LPI can produce the artwork and help in whatever way possible to highlight your business in the community. We would ask parishioners if they know of local businesses that would like to join in the back page, please let us know and get in touch. **Thanks!!** Fr Damian

Try to be a rainbow in someone's cloud.

Maya Angelou

Monday Club - 30 April 2018

We had a great crowd in the club this morning and welcome to Marie and Teresa who have not been for a while. Great to see you back.

We had a letter from Dr Paul McElwaine from Tallaght Hospital introducing himself and the work he is involved in Age Related Health Care. He has a specialist interest in falls and prevention of falls.

He would like to come and visit our club when a date is set. I will let you know when I know the date.

The Bealtaine Festival is getting in full swing now for the month of May with lots of different activities to do in our area. Each week I will tell you what is in the Clondalkin area. This is what is on this week:

* **Thursday 3 May:** Introduction to Traditional Irish Music and instruments in Aras Chronain at 10.30am-12.30pm.

* **Saturday 5 May:** Crafternoon in the Library, Monastery Rd 10.00am-12noon.

* **Tuesday 8 May:** Love, Light, Laughter in Library, Monastery Road 12.00-2pm.

* **Friday 11 May:** Guided Tour of Aras Chronain Georgian House and the activities of Aras Chronain Ional Cultuir. 10.30am-12.30.

* **Tuesday 15 May:** An Introduction to YOGA and Relaxation in Aras Chronain, 10.30-11.30am.

* An Introduction and lesson in the Irish

Language in Aras Chronain, 10.30-11.30am

There are other events in Tallaght Library and Lucan, and Neilstown. If anyone wants to find out what else is on you can check with the libraries in Tallaght, Tel 414 9270 or Clondalkin Library 459 3315 or the Bealtaine Festival Booklet. Don't forget to enter in the competitions and bring your entries on Monday 14 May and I will take them to the Council Offices in Tallaght.

We finished off our morning with a few games of bingo.

Prizes won by Kathleen, Teresa, Sadie and Kitty.

We offer our deepest sympathy to Sr Nanno on the death of her brother. May he rest in peace.

We will have no club next week as it's the May Bank Holiday.

We will be back again on 14 May when we host the Bealtaine Coffee Morning. Until then take care and enjoy the Bank Holiday. **Kathleen R**

