### **CHURCH DUTY**

Cleaning: Rita Arnold Altar Linen: Vera Pidgeon Flowers: Kathleen Cosgrove

The Environmental Group envisages keeping on the Mercy Garden until the Year of Mercy closes in November. They welcome the planting of flowers for the duration and also the removal of dead ones. Your intentions can still be placed on the Mercy Tree.

### CONNAIRTE GAELSCOIL CAMOIGE

The children of Gaelscoil Camóige will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation Camóige from Fr. Damian and Fr. Padraig on Wednesday next 13<sup>th</sup> April at 11am.

Mass will be at 9.30am not 10am to facilitate the Confirmation ceremony

We ensure the children and their families of our prayers that they will have a day to remember always.

### **CHARITY BRIDGE NIGHT**

Charity Bridge Night will be held in Newlands Golf Club on Tuesday next 12<sup>th</sup> April at 7.30pm in aid of the Countess of Granard Charity.

Admission is €10 per person and please sponsor prizes for the raffle. All monies raised goes to providing guide dogs for the visually impaired.

# CLONDALKIN AND DISTRICT HORTICULTURAL SHOW

Horticultural Clondalkin & District Horticultural Show Launch 2016 will take place in Áras Chrónáin on Wednesday April 13<sup>th</sup> at 2pm and all are welcome

This year's show takes place on Sunday October 9<sup>th</sup>. Entry forms available from Loza Wool, Monastery SC

### WANTED

Have you any unused or unloved tools sitting in your shed?

If you have any unused, old, or unloved but still working tools, eg: screw drivers, spanners, drills, saws, sanders, gardening tools, etc. bring them along next Sunday (17<sup>th</sup>) and leave them in the boxes at the back of the Church. Or they can be left off at the Convent Garages (beside the Parish Office) between 11 -12 noon every Thursday thereafter. These will be used for the upkeep of the Parish and Convent building and grounds. Any surplus will be donated to Charity!! Thanks

Frank Brown, Parish Pastoral Worker

### CLONDALKIN ACTIVE RETIREMENT

We had a lovely afternoon on Tuesday last at Third Age. Summerhill, Co. Meath when fifty six of us headed off to the afternoon dinner and were entertained by TR Dallas. It brought back a lot of memories to us with all the old songs. Sr. Pius and Paddy Jackson were like Fred Astaire and Ginger Rogers, well done to you both. Thank you Third Age for inviting us.

The Bealtaine Festival is quickly approaching, it goes on for the month of May. I hope to have the brochures for you next week, but in the meantime if you are passing your local library, they will have copies.

We are hosting a coffee morning on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May at Towers GAA Club, so anyone interested please give me a quick ring on 086 3274323.

Regards Clare

### CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS

Notices and submissions for the Newsletter must be received before 10.30am on WEDNESDAY morning to be considered for inclusion into that week's edition. Envelopes marked "PARISH NEWSLETTER" should be left into the Sacristy or Parish Office.

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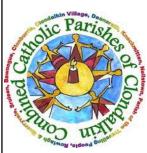
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### **CHANGES NEAR AND FAR**

Regular readers and listeners of mine will have heard me mention that the Church that my parents were married in fifty one years ago is no longer a functioning church. My place of Baptism is long since pulled down and the place of my Ordination is no longer a public place of worship. I was reading recently of the closure of Marianella in Rathgar which had been a retreat house and place of formation for the Redemptorists Fathers which closed on the last day of February. The Missionary Sisters of Saint Columban arrived in Hong Kong in 1948 beginning work in Ruttonjee Sanatorium and then ministering to the poor, the imprisoned, the demeaned, the marginalised and the ostracised. The three remaining sisters left Hong Kong with a heavy heart but knowing that their charism will continue to burn brightly in the Pearl of the Orient. We may be familiar with the words of Saint Paul "We have here on earth not an everlasting tent" which applies not just to individual Christians but to congregations of religious also.

Closer to home Vincent Jackson, Manager of Clondalkin Youth Services is moving on after twenty years of loyal service to the young and not so young people, not just of the Village Parish but of the greater Clondalkin area. On behalf of all the parish I wish to acknowledge the dedicated work that Vincent has given, particularly as manager for the last thirteen years. This work was evidence of Vincent's deep Christian faith put into action. We wish him every success in the next stage of his life and the seeds he has sown will be reaped by others in the future.

Fr. Damian

### WEDDINGS

Congratulations and best wishes to:

Margarita Stokes and John McDonagh

who received the Sacrament of Marriage

### **ADORATION**

This Thursday 14<sup>h</sup> April there will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

**Morning:** in the Sisters' Oratory 10.45am to 11.45am

**Evening:** in the Church 7pm to 9pm. All are welcome

### **LEGION OF MARY ACIES 2016**

The annual Consecration of Legionaries to Our Lady will take place on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> April 2016 at 3.00 p.m. in the Church of St. Nicholas of Myra, Francis St. All Auxiliary Members are invited to attend

### LOURDES PILGRIMAGE APPEAL

The committee members of the Pilgrimage will hold a collection after all Masses next weekend and your support is very much appreciated.

### **NOTICES**

### Monday 11<sup>th</sup> April

Miraculous Medal Novena after 10am Mass and Rosary.

### Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> April

**The Legion of Mary** meets in the Convent at 11.00am. New members are welcome.

### Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> April

The boys of St. Joseph's School will attend the 10am Mass

### **DEATHS**

We extend our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of:

Elizabeth (Lillie) McDonnell, formerly Cappamore

Josephine (Josie) McEntaggart, Castle Grove

recently deceased. May they rest in peace.

## EARLY START TO THE PRAYER MEETING

This Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> April the "Mysteries of Light" Rosary will be recited at 7.30pm before Prayer Meeting at 8pm in the Pastoral Centre and all are welcome.

### **ANNIVERSARIES**

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> April

10.00am Peter Johnston, 2<sup>nd</sup> An

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> April

9.30am Rita O'Sullivan

### Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> April

7.30pm (Vigil) Phil Fitzpatrick

Billy Bourke

William, Mary, Marion and Mae Murphy

Willie, Joe and Paschal

Nixon

10.30am Joseph Lernihan

Tony Tighe

Jim Nash, B/day Rem and

An

12 noon Mark Doyle and Bill

O'Loughlin

Oliver Grace, mm Liam Callaghan, 5<sup>th</sup> An Sean and Nora Horan

Peter and Kay Sherry

5.30pm Bernard and Olga Byrne

## **CLONBURRIS Mass Intentions**

.Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> April

6.30pm James and Josephine Kennedy

An.

John, Francis and Francis Curran Jnr. An.

Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> April

11.30am Paddy Hodgins M.M.

Patrick and Kathleen Cooke An.

### CCPC INTERCESSORY PRAYER FO CLONDALKIN PARISH CLUSTER

This Tuesday, 12<sup>th</sup> April meeting in Pastoral Centre 7.30pm to 8.30pm. All are welcome.

### ADULT CATECHISM STUDIES

The Sacrament of Matrimony, paragraphs 1601-1690.

Christian spouses who receive the sacrament of Matrimony are fortified and consecrated for the duty and dignities of their state. The sacramental grace of Matrimony is intended to perfect the couple's love and to strengthen their indissoluble unity which serves the good of spouses, the children and of society as a whole. By this grace they "help one another to attain holiness in their married life and in welcoming and educating their children". Those who receive the sacrament of Matrimony are participants in the love, which Christ has for the Church.

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> April at 7.30pm Presentation Convent

### INDIA REVISITED

Due to lack of space it wasn't possible to include Kay Lee's article on her and Ann Carroll's visit to Fr Balla in India

### ST VINCENT DE PAUL CLOTHING APPEAL

Bags of donated clothing will be accepted after all morning Masses today.

### LOURDES 2016 7<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> MAY

### There are now only 2 places left

- Hotel: 4\* Eliseo
- Fare: €725 per person sharing and single room supplement is €150.

Booking forms are available in the Parish Office and Sacristy

Spiritual Director:Fr Shán O'Cuív Padraig Doyle, Group Organiser.

### MONDAY CLUB

Welcome back to everyone after the Easter break! We had a great lively crowd who enthusiastically engaged in our mad crazy quiz we have every so often. The questions are randomly selected on the "where in the world" TV game show years ago. The questions I must say are not that easy. I would not be answering too many myself.

Noel was the first to win with the best seven of ten. The following round there were four people with seven so we had to have a tie breaker round and the winner of that round was Brede Connolly. Congratulations to the winners and thanks to all who took part for the fun.

We hope to visit the GPO or Kilmainham Jail in the coming weeks before the school holidays when it may be quieter. I will need to know roughly how many are interested as I will try to get a fast pass for a group if they will do it.

Welcome back to those who have not been with us for a while and to Sr. Maura who has recently joined the Clondalkin Presentation Community!

Next week we have a visit from our local Gardai.

Kathleen