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Periods of scandal were always followed by periods of renewal as saintly men and women arrive to bring healing, hope and renewal.

The upheavals of the Renaissance and Reformation were followed by the Catholic Reformation which was a time of resurgence as saintly men and women like St. John of the Cross, St. Teresa of Avila, St. Charles Borromeo, St. Ignatius and St. Phillip Neri did their great work of renewal.

The Irish Church has just gone through a traumatic period of scandal so we pray for a new springtime of regeneration that will restore hope, healing and sanctity.

Fr. Padraig

PILGRIMAGE TO ROME AND SAN GIOVANNI ROTONDO

The Pilgrimage will take place **Thursday 1st October 2015**. The price of €1099 includes return flights from Dublin, 4 nights on full board basis in San Giovanni, 3 nights in Rome on B&B basis, luxury coach and a guide. Our Fr. Damian will accompany the pilgrimage as spiritual director. Interested? Call Fr. Damian or Imelda Farrell – 01 4965357 / 087 2402756

CLONDALKIN ANIMAL AID

Clondalkin Animal Aid are holding a Fun Table Quiz on Friday 17th April in the Steering Wheel starting at 8.30. Table of four €20 (€5 per person). There will also be a monster raffle. Please come along and support us as we celebrate 25 years looking after straying and unwanted dogs and puppies. All monies raised will go entirely to provide feeding and Veterinary care for the animals currently with us.

**CONCERT
In Aid of St Michael’s Church
Restoration Fund.**

FR LIAM LAWTON
will perform in CONCERT with Special
Guests **ST MICHAEL’S SINGERS**
in St Michael’s Church, Inchore, Dublin
8 on Sunday the 26th April at 8.00pm.

Tickets €20 each, which are available from the Parish Office, 52a Bulfin Road, Inchore, Dublin 8.

Parish Office opening Hours 9.30am – 12.30pm Monday to Friday.

Tel: 4531660 or email:
stmichaelsparishomi@gmail.com to
reserve tickets: or contact 086 854 3276 /
086 108 9822

Doors open 7.30pm / Concert 8.00pm.

CLONDALKIN ACTIVE RETIREMENT

Another wonderful evening was had by all at our Easter Party at The Laurels. Thank you Damien, Kay and Patricia for making this happen. Also thank you Finbarr Coady, a wonderful entertainer. Maybe we will have another evening before we close for summer holidays.

Thank you Margaret Gillard, Project Co-Ordinator, South Dublin County Partnership for your talk on Tuesday last.

Next week we are off to Jersey Boys which will be a great afternoon, bus pick up times will be given to each of you next Tuesday.

Have a great week and hopefully this beautiful weather will last.

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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UNITY AND DIVISION

“Do what they say but do not do what they do” Jesus says of the Pharisees.

We can be a little taken aback by this given the antagonism there was between them. Yet Jesus respected the Pharisees position of leadership in inheriting the Chair of Moses. When faced with hypocrisy, heresy and scandal in the church we too can become weary and disillusioned. We may think the best way forward is to start anew, with a clean slate. But this only adds further division and makes ultimate unity very difficult. At the last Supper Jesus prayed that his followers would be one – would be united. Sadly in the last 2000 years two major breaks have formed in Christianity. The first was with the Eastern Orthodox in 1054 and the second was the Protestant Reformation in 1517.

Since then there has been further fragmentation in the Orthodox Church along National lines, with the Greek, Russian, Romanian and Serbian church gravitating around their respective nations. Today in America it is estimated that there are 28,000 denominations among reformed Christians – every day at least one new church is started after having broken away from an existing church. The people who do this do so for the best of reasons. In most cases they are idealistic for what is good and true. They are tired of disputes, bickering and what they see as the hypocrisy of the main stream church and so they start anew.

Catholicism has had its share of hypocrisy, scandal, heresy and power politics down through the ages and we have to acknowledge that the bad behaviour of the Renaissance Popes has contributed to the divisions in Christianity. But Jesus also expressed this from the religious leaders of his time. Yet he did not advocate breaking away, instead he urged patience, prudence and forgiveness because ultimately God wins out.

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BAPTISMS



Congratulations and welcome to:

Charles Mitchel Owens, Laraghcon, Lucan.
Ciara Rose Lennon, Bushfield, Drive
Aimee Maisie Duffy, Westbourne Ave,
Eoin Matthew Tonkin, Garnet Road,
Miranda, NSW, Australia
Ava Veronica Harrison, Woodford Downs,
Ciaran Richard Heath, Lealand Drive

recently Baptised.

ADORATION

This Thursday, 16th April Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will be in the:

Sisters' Oratory: from after 10am Mass to 11.45am

Church: from 7.00pm to 9pm.

All are welcome

CCPC INTERCESSORY PRAYER FOR 9 CLONDALKIN PARISHES

This Tuesday Tuesday 14th April the Intercessory Group praying in the:

Parish Pastoral Centre from 7.30pm to 8.30pm. Come and join with us if you can

NOTICES

Monday 13th April

Miraculous Medal Novena after 10am Mass and Rosary.

Tuesday 14th April

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

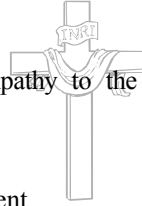
The Legion of Mary meets in the Convent at 11.00am. New members are welcome.

Thursday 18th April

10am St Joseph's School Mass

Confirmation Practice on Wednesday and Friday from 11.15am to 12.15pm

DEATHS



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

Christina Murray, Boot Road
Paul Carey, Monastery Crescent.

recently deceased. May they rest in peace.

ADULT STUDIES OF THE CATHECISM

The study group who meet on Wednesday evenings are currently on their Easter Break. The sessions re-commence next Wednesday 15th April at the earlier time of **7.30pm** upstairs in the Parish Centre.

The next unit on the 15th April will focus on Chap 3 "I Believe" of CCC

ANNIVERSARIES

Monday 13th April

10.00am Rita O'Sullivan, B/day Rem.

Tuesday 14th April

7.30am Eileen Power, 9th An

Saturday 18th April

10.00am Denis Whelan

Sunday 19th April

7.30pm (Vigil) Phil Fitzpatrick, 6th An
Mary O'Shea and her mother Mary Furlong An,
Mass in Thanksgiving
Willie, Joe and Pascal Nixon .

9.00am Billy Bourke

10.30am William Beesley

Jim Nash, An & B/day Rem

Christina McGovern

Larry Morgan, 2nd An

Tommy Keegan B/day

Rem & An

Peter Sherry 5th An

CLONBURRIS

Mass Intentions

Sunday 12th April

11.00am James and Josephine Kennedy An.

Frances and John Curran An.

Frances Curran Jnr. An.

Robert Gooley An.

Michael and Genevieve

O'Loughlin An.

CHURCH DUTY

Cleaning: Bernardine Wynne, Veronica Bayly, Tracey Whelan, Josephine Hearty

Altar Linen: Mary Leonard

Flowers: Maintenance by the people who made the arrangements

SUNSHINE FUND, ADVOCATE COLLECTION.

Many thanks to all who contributed to our collection on Palm Sunday, the amount raised was €1,330.20 this will enable four children to have a holiday at the seaside this year.

Also thanks to all the volunteers who made the collection possible
Nora O'Brien

THANK YOU

CASA-Caring And Sharing Association thank most sincerely the parishioners of Clondalkin for their very generous contributions to our Church gate collection held on the weekend February 21st & 22nd. The collection, which amounted to €1,030.00, will greatly help in the funding of our Lourdes Pilgrimage, for our members, adults and children with physical, intellectual and sensory disabilities along with many sick and terminally ill people also.

Thank you to all those who helped make the collection a huge success.

LOURDES APPEAL

The Annual Lourdes Appeal will take place after all Masses on next Sat/Sun 18th & 19th April.

SOUL FOOD

Informal information evening for men interested in a religious vocation. 6.30pm, Monday, 13th April at Presentation Brothers, Glashule, Dun Laoghaire. Full details on www.PresentationBrothers.org Contact Anthony at 01-2300824.

CLONDALKIN YOUTH BAND

The Clondalkin Youth Band is holding a pub quiz in Boomers pub, Clondalkin on 17th April. Fun, food and prizes all included on the night from 8:30.

Support for your local youth band is much appreciated.

ORLAGH CENTRE EVENTS

Week of: 19th APRIL 2015

Saturday Apr 25 | 10.00am - 4.00pm | €55

EXPERIENCING THE NEW

TESTAMENT STORY

Engaging with the Scripture through storytelling and Godly Play.

With Jessie Rogers

EVERY WEEK

Wednesday 8.00 - 8.30pm

MEDITATION

Sunday 10.00 - 10.20am

MEDITATION (Centering Prayer)

Sunday 10.30am LECTIO DIVINA MASS

BOOKING

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