

ST CRONAN'S FEAST DAY

To mark the feast day of St. Crónán a service will be held in St. John's Church, Tower Rd on Wednesday 7th August at 8pm and all are welcome. The service will be preceded by a historic "walkabout" leaving from Áras Chrónáin at 7.20pm. Parking will be available at Áras Chrónáin. Light refreshments will be served in Áras Chrónáin after the service

PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK

We are glad to report that there is a pilgrimage to Knock on Sunday 25th August.

Departing Clondalkin Village at 8am the trip will include an evening meal in Knock and we should be returning at approx 10pm

Cost for coach and dinner will be €45 per person.

Further details from:

Lieut. Ann Marie Langan, Order of Malta, 0866039274

YEAR OF FAITH MASS AT ST. BRIGID'S WELL

On Saturday, 24th July, in lovely sunshine the combined parishes of Clondalkin celebrated the Year of Faith with Mass at St. Brigid's Well at 7am.

Fr. Mullins from Shruleen was the celebrant and about 100 people attended.

In his homily Fr. Mullins reminded us of the need to be hospitable in caring for each other.

Thanks to a team of volunteers the grotto was cleaned and tidied for the occasion - even chairs were set out. Afterwards tea and refreshments were served.

Sr. Pius

DUBLIN DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

The Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage takes place in September and the organisers are appealing to you to become Associate Members by making a contribution to help defray the cost of bringing the sick on pilgrimage. Your contributions may be made in the Parish Shop after Mass where it will be recorded and forwarded to the Diocesan Office and your intentions will be remembered during the Pilgrimage.

If there are any sick people who wish to travel on the Special Section for the Sick, in particular those who have never travelled to Lourdes before, they should contact the Pilgrimage Office as soon as possible on (01) 8376820 where application forms are available.

CHILDREN'S CORNER

Congratulations Colette Kisa this week's winner. Your prize is waiting to be picked up by you from the Sacristy after Mass today.

THIS WEEK'S QUIZ

In today's Gospel to whom did God say this "Fool! This very night the demand will be made for your soul; and this hoard of yours, whose will it be then?"

Your entries by email – to floodjj@eircom.net by Tuesday or to the Sacristy by Wednesday morning at the latest!



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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QUESTIONS PEOPLE ASK

Q. Saint Paul wrote that he opposed Peter in public because he was clearly wrong (Gal 2:11). If Scripture says that the first pope, Peter was clearly wrong, how can Catholics say that the pope is infallible?

A. Their disagreement was regarding Peter's policy of not eating with Gentiles lest it offend the sensibility of Jewish Christians, although he accepted their equality. We read Paul's version of their meeting but I'd love to hear Peter's side of the story. Paul was confrontational in his approach, which isn't always the best policy. It landed him in trouble in Damascus and, later in Rome. Peter was more sensitive and diplomatic in dealing with people and their sensitivities. The matter had nothing to do with infallibility.

Q. I have a problem with what the Lord said about our prayers being always answered... 'ask and it will be given to you etc.' I have prayed earnestly for many requests which have not been granted.

A. We all have that experience of not getting exactly what we requested. We have to trust that God knows what is best and sees things in a more expansive picture. Jesus went on to point to the example of how a loving parent does not always give children what they request. Sometimes there is too much of me in our prayers and we forget that we are one with others in the body or community of Christ. Perhaps my prayer is answered by a grace given to some other person as well as some grace given to me which I have not recognised.

Fr Silvester O'Flynn OFM Cap
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BAPTISMS

Congratulations and welcome to



Anna Jane Murphy, St Johns Gate
Lily Joy Reilly, Newlands Park
Elliot Alex Henderson, Millcourt Avenue,
New Nangor Rd
Tyler Ritchie Ledwidge, Cherrywood Lawn
James Peter Cully, Foswell Place, Glasgow,
Scotland
Katie Abigail Warren, Floraville Avenue

recently Baptised.

CHURCH DUTY

Cleaning: Bernardine Wynne, Veronica Bayly, Tracy Whelan, Josephine Hearty
Altar Linen: Vera Pidgeon
Flowers: Marie Harrington to 8th August, Aileen Skelton from 9th August to 23rd

“FATIMA” CLONDALKIN PARISH PILGRIMAGE

Date: 11th to 18th September 2013
Hotel: Domus Pacis
Fare: €699 per person sharing – single supplement €175
Deposit €200 non refundable
For further information please contact:
Eileen Carty at 4574832

NOTICES

Monday 5th August
Miraculous Medal Novena after 10am Mass and Rosary.
Legion of Mary meets in the Convent at 7.30pm. New members are welcome

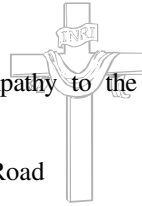
Wednesday 7th August
Meeting in preparation for Baptism in the Pastoral Centre at 8pm
Prayer Group meets in the Pastoral Centre at 8pm and all are welcome

DEATHS

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

Imelda Gilleran, Castleview Road

recently deceased. May she rest in peace.

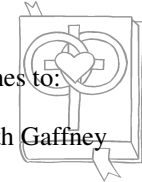


WEDDINGS

Congratulations and best wishes to:

Aisling Mary Ley and Kenneth Gaffney

recently married.



ADORATION

This Thursday, 8th August Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will be held **in the:**
Church : from after 10am Mass to 11.45am
Church: 7pm to 9pm and all are welcome

BETHANY BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

Bethany Bereavement Support Group will be in attendance next Thursday in the Pastoral Centre from 8pm to 9pm for anyone who would like to have a listening ear.

ANNIVERSARIES

Thursday 8th August
10.00am Dessie McDermott

Saturday 10th August
10.00am Kathleen Reeves

Sunday 11th August
10.30am Rose O’Connell
Shelia Graham
Mary O’Neill
12.00 Noon Smullen Family
Connelly Family,
Finbar Connelly 2nd An
Michael and Nora Brophy

CLONBURRIS Mass Intentions

Saturday 3rd August
6.30pm. Paul Bradshaw B.R.
William Tully An. and
deceased members of the Tully Family.

Sunday 4th August
11.00am Rosemary McKenna An.
Elsie and Joe Kerin An.
Patrick Aherne An.
Mrs. Mullianyan.

Competition Winner

Congratulations to Bronagh Roebuck winner for 21st July and Jessica Kenny winner for 28th July. Your prize can be collected after Mass on Sunday.

FINANCE REPORT

The Finance Committee acknowledges with thanks €2,009 – your planned giving contributions this week.

FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATOR

ACCORD Dublin is seeking to recruit a Financial Administrator. This is a full time position, reporting to the Diocesan Director and based in Harcourt Street. If you are aware of anyone who you think might be suitable and might be interested in this role would you please let them know about the vacancy.

Applications, accompanied by a CV, should be submitted in confidence to the Diocesan Director, ACCORD Dublin, 39 Harcourt Street, Dublin 2 and should be received no later than 9th August. All envelopes should be marked Private and Confidential

The job description is on the Dublin Diocesan website, it has also been advertised in The Irish Times or they can contact ACCORD Dublin on Tel: 01-4780866 - Barbara Gilroy, Dublin Director

CALMING THE STORM – JESUS’ HUMANITY AND HIS DIVINITY

Last week we heard of the Gnostics and their doubts about the humanity of Jesus. There was another group in the early church who did the opposite – they doubted the divinity of Jesus. These were the followers of Arius – the Arians. Arius was a charismatic priest who put out the idea that Jesus could not have been God. He was a very good man, perhaps he was the greatest man ever, deserving our utmost respect but Jesus was not God. Arius maintained that he was created by God for the task of living among us for 33 years to teach us how to live well through what he did, what he said and the example he gave. Arius was a gifted speaker and he influenced a lot of Christians who believed he was right. There was a serious danger that this bitter dispute would cause a split in Christianity – it was like an intellectual civil war within the church.

In 325 the Church convened the Council of Nicea where the Nicene Creed we recite every Sunday at Mass was drawn up. This was a powerful refutation of Arianism and it largely faded away only to surface again later in a different guise. In our Gospel from Chapter 8 of Matthew he stands up in the boat and miraculously calms the storm. If Jesus was not divine he could never have done this, indeed if he was not divine he could never have saved us. We human beings on our own are too weak, fickle and confused to save ourselves. We Christians who recognise this also recognise our need for a saviour and the saviour must be divine. Jesus came that we may have life and have it to the full. The life he gives has its source in the Mass where he is fully present in body, soul and divinity. The bread of life that feeds us is what gives us life and the glory of God is a man or woman fully alive.

Fr. Pdraig

(Continued from last week)