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responsibility to give witness to the vision of life that Jesus gave to us. There have then to be standards of behaviour which bind all. Moments of weakness can be and should be treated with compassion but deliberate and continued flouting of our central commitment to truth, love justice and so on cannot be overlooked or allowed to undermine the central mission of the Christian community to be a sacrament of the Kingdom. It is not a question of image but of our integrity.

What has all this to do with the way we use the Sacrament of Reconciliation and what is the relationship of the sacrament to this passage? The passage is closely linked with what Jesus say about the problem of giving scandal, of being a stumbling block in people coming to Christ. At the same time the long-term aim above all is not punishment but reconciliation and healing of divisions.

Fr. Seamus

### CHURCH GATE COLLECTION

The Church gate Collection being held after all Masses next weekend (31<sup>st</sup> August) is in aid of the Irish Wheel Chair Association and your support as always is very much appreciated.

Verona Doyle

### QUOTE OF THE WEEK!

“If you don’t have an annoying monk (person, situation) in your life (home, company) go out and find one. Then we are challenged to patience and tolerance”

St. Bernard of Clairvaux whose Feast Day was celebrated on Wednesday this week.

(We don’t advocate that we all become “annoying or trying”. Our patience and tolerance would not extend that far!)

### CLONDALKIN HERITAGE WEEK EVENTS

Launch of Clondalkin Paper Mill Oral History Project  
Venue: Clondalkin Library  
Cost: free  
Organiser: South Dublin Libraries,  
email: localstudies@sduublincoco.ie,  
tel. 014593315  
Website: www.southdublinlibraries.ie  
Booking Required: No  
Dates: 28<sup>th</sup> August 6.30pm to 8pm

### GUIDED HERITAGE WALK OF HISTORIC CLONDALKIN VILLAGE

Venue: Clondalkin Round Tower  
Cost: free  
Organiser: Clondalkin Heritage Round Tower Group  
Tel: 087 2749985  
Booking Required: No  
Dates: 27<sup>th</sup> August 7.30pm to 8.30pm  
Tommy Keogh

### CHILDREN’S CORNER

We had no entry last week so we repeat the question!

#### THIS WEEK’S QUIZ

Our Lady appeared in Knock  
1. What county in Ireland is Knock

2. What year did she appear

Your entries – email  
ellenteresacoynne@eircom.net

by Tuesday evening or to the Sacristy by Wednesday morning

**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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# PARISH NEWS

Clondalkin Village,  
Clonburris & Knockmitten



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### “HARM DONE TO THE COMMUNITY”

If your brother does something wrong, go and have it out with him alone, between your two selves. If he listens to you, you have won back your brother.

If he does not listen, take one or two others along with you: whatever the misdemeanour, the evidence of two or three witnesses is required to sustain the charge.

But if he refuses to listen to these, report it to the community; and if he refuses to listen to the community, treat him like a gentile or a tax collector”(Matthew 18:15-17)

This part of the discourse shifts from the harm that we can do to others to the harm that others can do to the community and how the community and its members should respond. Clearly we are speaking here of some serious wrong which hurts the mission of the church community.

The wrongdoer is to be tackled on three levels and this reflects what we have heard before in other gospels about bringing back the sheep which is lost. Reconciliation not punishment is the objective.

What Jesus is saying “Do whatever you can to make the guilty person realise and confess his fault, in that way, helping him to repair the damage he or she has done to his or her personal and communal relationships.” It would be worth our while going carefully through this text and see how it applies to our church situation today. To what extent do we feel responsible for the wrongdoings of our fellow Christians? To what extent do we realise that our behaviour both as individuals and groups reflects on the overall witness that the Church is called to give as the Body of Christ? Do people clearly see the message of the Gospel from the way we live both individually and corporately?

While, on one hand, we are told to be compassionate and non-judgemental, are we over tolerant of what people in the community who believe that anything they do is just their own business? Every Christian community has a solemn

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## ADORATION

This Thursday, 28<sup>th</sup> August, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will be:

**Church:** from after 10am Mass to 11.45am, and

**Church:** from 7pm to 9pm and all are welcome

## INTERCESSORY PRAYER GROUP

An Intercessory Prayer group meets to pray **each Tuesday 7.30pm to 8.30pm** for the Clondalkin Group of Parishes (CCPC). Please come and pray with us

Venue: **Rowlagh Parish Community Room Centre**

Date: **Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> August and all are welcome**

## MASS FOR VOCATIONS

St. Joseph's Young Priests' Society is hosting a Mass for vocations to the priesthood and religious life on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September at 7pm in holy Rosary Church, Harold's Cross and all are welcome. Celebrant is Fr. John Gilligan, chaplain. Our newly ordained Fr. Seamus McEntee will be attending.

## CHURCH DUTY

**Cleaning:** Rebecca Duggan and Betty Byrne

**Altar Linen:** Vera Rogers

**Flowers:** Maura Gaffney- 22<sup>nd</sup> August to 4<sup>th</sup> September and Teresa Green 5<sup>th</sup> September

## NOTICES

**Monday 25<sup>th</sup> August**

Miraculous Medal Novena after 10am Mass and Rosary.

**Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> August**

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

## WEDDINGS

Congratulations and best wishes to:

Hazel Anne Troy and Ml. Anthony Hallows

Tara Cullen and James Harte

Suzanne McAuliffe and Christian Kinnear

recently married.

## DEATHS

John Devlin, Kilnaleck, Co. Cavan, died on the 9<sup>th</sup> August, who lived for up to 50 years with his wife Imelda at New Rd. John worked at CB Sacks, 9<sup>th</sup> Lock.

Flan Conheady, who notified us of John's recent death, told us that John and Imelda were well known and admired by many in Clondalkin who will be sorry to hear of John's death. We extend our deepest sympathies and prayers to his family and friends. May he rest in peace!

## ANNIVERSARIES

**Monday 25<sup>th</sup> August**

10.00am Joseph McCarthy

**Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> August**

7.30am Special Intention

**Friday 29<sup>th</sup> August**

10.00am Mary McElligott, 20<sup>th</sup> An

**Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> August**

7.30pm (Vigil) John Davis, 7<sup>th</sup> An

Magdalen Robertson

Morgan Darcy

10.30am

Danny Behan

Paddy Fitzgerald, 2<sup>nd</sup> An

Mamie Craven, 9<sup>th</sup> An

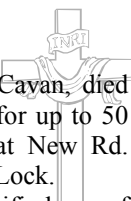
Catherine Rose Quigley

12 noon

Mary Connolly

Michael Hynes

Liz Walsh, 2<sup>nd</sup> An



## CLONBURRIS

### Mass Intentions

**Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> August**

11.00

Pauline Fallon An.

Nora and Danny Byrne An.

Eddie Harris An.

Hugh Mc Partlan An.

John Mc Partlan B.R.

Matthew Fayen An.

### Competition Winner

Competition winner Megan McGuinness congratulations your prize can be collected after Mass on Sunday.

## ESKER CEMETERY BLESSING

Mass and blessing of graves will take place on Sunday Aug 31<sup>st</sup> in Esker Cemetery.

## THANK YOU

I would like to thank everyone who contributed to the collection in aid of the Diabetic Unit at Our Lady's Hospital, Crumlin last week-end.

A total sum of €603 was collected.

Joan Ward

## ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP FOR DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

Names and contributions are still being accepted in the Parish shop. The money contributed will be devoted to defraying the expenses of the Sick Pilgrims Section. The contributors in return will receive an enrolment leaflet outlining the prayers for Associates. The enrolment sheets containing the names of the Associates will be placed at the Grotto during the Pilgrimage. Mass will be offered for all the Associate Members at the Grotto in Lourdes.

## ST JOSEPH'S YOUNG PRIESTS'

### SOCIETY NEXT MONTHLY

### MEETING

The next meeting of the Society will be held in the Parish Pastoral Centre on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> August (This Wednesday) after 10am Mass and new members especially welcome

## PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND IN 2015

Friday 27 February – Saturday 7 March 2015  
€1,295.00 (pps)

Spiritual Director: Fr. John Kelly  
(Chaplain Tallaght Hospital)

Details from: Map Travel

36 Upper O'Connell Street, Dublin 1.  
(Entrance on Parnell Street)

Tel: 01-8783111 : patricia@maptravel.ie

## PRESENTATION SISTERS SAY "THANK YOU"

On behalf of the Presentation Sisters worldwide and particularly here in Clondalkin I want to say thank you to all the people of Clondalkin. We have been overwhelmed by your support, concern and prayers for us and particularly for Srs. Imelda and Paula who died tragically last week. We deeply appreciate you coming to our convent, offering your support in whatever way you could to us at this time of great loss and sadness in our Congregation.

We will offer Mass for all your intentions.

Sr. Concepta and all the Sisters in Clondalkin

(On behalf of priests and people we extend our heartfelt sympathies to the families, friends and the Presentation Sisters worldwide on the tragic deaths of Sr. Paula and Sr. Imelda and assure them of our thoughts and prayers. May they rest in peace!)