



Clondalkin Village Parish

Immaculate Conception & St. Killian Church

Clonburris  **Knockmitten**

Parish Newsletter

Sunday 4th March 2018



See our World, Ourselves in a New Way!

This has been a week of wild weather and snow. The blanket of snow made even the most dreary of places take on a new beauty. It made us look at things in a different way.



So when we look in the mirror who do we see? What I discovered to be true about who I am was so simple that I had been stumbling over it all my life. Who I really am - my true self - is a person created in God's image. God's essence is love. Our true essence is also love. We long to love, and we long to be loved. That is who we are under all the fears and distortions about ourselves, under all our ego and pride and defenses. We are spiritual creatures created in the image of the God of love, created to love and to be loved! When we begin to realise this Good News, we see ourselves, our world in a new way. Each day becomes a blessing, each moment an opportunity. When we open our eyes to see all that we are being given we become like an artist who takes the time to focus with care on life's details. The slice of toast and cup of tea at breakfast become what they are - a gift. The hug from a friend is seen for what it is - a gift. As we open our eyes and look again we begin to see that God, the Maker of all things, is a passionate Lover who is forever showering us with gifts, calling out, *"I love you, I love you, I love you! Can you see it? Can you see it in the beauty of the clouds? The peace in the snow? Can you hear it in that music? Can you feel it in your friend's phone call? Can you see how much I love you?"*

God holds up the mirror of his delight in us for us to look into, to see ourselves as God sees us. God wraps us in love and tells us we are infinitely valuable.

God invites us to know who we are - *dearly loved children* - created to live lives of love, to be ambassadors of that love.

So, this week, try to see the World, yourself in a new way. See yourself and those you meet as a gift and be alive to the wonder, awe, beauty and love of your passionate God in every moment, every encounter and don't miss the opportunity! God bless...

Frank Brown, Parish Pastoral Worker

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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CHURCH DUTY

Altar Linen: Mary O'Neill
Flowers: No flowers during Lent
Church Cleaning: Rita Arnold

Thank You

Tuesday 6th March - 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 9 Clondalkin Parishes.

This Tuesday Intercessory Prayer Group joining in Adoration in **Deansrath Church** 7.30pm to 8.30pm. All welcome.

Wednesday 7th March - Let's Talk, Lets be Family - 10:30am in the Pastoral Centre. **Charismatic Prayer Group** Our Lady Queen of Peace. This Wed in the Parish Pastoral Centre at 2pm. All welcome especially any newcomers or visitors.

Thursday 8th March - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Morning in the Church **10.45 to 11.45am**

Evening in the Church **Hour of Prayer will be incorporated into the Novena of Grace**

This Week



Congratulations and Welcome

Cathal Edward McCabe, Cherrywood Park
Roy Philip, Monastery Heath Court



A meeting of the Pioneer Total Abstinence Society will be held on **Friday 9th March** at **10.45am** in the Parish Pastoral Centre.

Pupils from Scoil Áine will attend 10am Mass in the Village Church on Friday 9th March.



PLEASE NOTE:

The Parish Office will be closed on **Monday 5th and Tuesday 6th March** to facilitate staff training. Sorry for any inconvenience.



Cllr. Timmons says "I am honoured to be the chairperson of the Clondalkin Handcraft & Horticultural Show and look forward to helping to bring another great show to Clondalkin this June"

Clondalkin Handcraft and Horticultural Show will be held during Clondalkin Village Festival, 1st June. It will feature something for everyone – art and craft, jewellery, flower arranging, knitting, and many more activities. The Show is run by volunteers and get little financial help from South Dublin Co. Co. and the organisers welcome sponsorship and donations

For more information email: clondalkinshow@gmail.com



Diocesan Child Safeguarding training will be held in Neilstown Church on **Wed 14th March at 10:45am**

All involved in ministry in our parishes are encouraged to attend.



Seachtain na Gaeilge - cuireadh chun gaeilge a labhairt

Being nominated as an Irish Language Network Muintir Chronain invites the community to use as much Gaeilge as possible from **1st to 18th March**.

You are also invited to two book launches by parishioners:
Seoladh Leabhar, Aoine 2nd at 7pm
Pop up Gaeltacht, Aoine 9th at 9pm

This is an informal gathering of Irish speakers for music, chat and fun! Learners welcome!

Fáilte roimh cách - everyone welcome

Lily Frost

Village Church

Sunday 4th March

6.30pm Vigil Robert & Joan Crookes (RIP)
David O'Sullivan (B'day Rem)

10.30am Anne & John Connolly (An),
Bridie Naughton (An), John & Eleanor Coogan and dec'd family members,
Paddy & Noreen Maher (An), Madge & Joe Sheerin (An)

12noon Oliver Grace (2nd An) and dec'd members of the Grace family, Paul Guidon (B'day Rem)

5.30pm David Somers (2nd An)

Thursday 8th March

10.00am Eileen Holohan (52nd An)

Friday 9th March

10.00am Patricia Gray (An)

Sunday 11th March

6.30pm Vigil Gretta Priest (8th An)

10.30am Carmel Maguire (1st An)

12noon Andrew White (An), Alan Bradbury, Charles Gray (33rd An)

Clonburris

Saturday 3rd March @ 6.30pm

Mary Connolly (An)

Sunday 4th March @ 11.00am

Rose & Peter Connolly (An), Maphie Molloy (An), Gerard McKenna (An), Christopher Downey (An)



BONNY STYNES, Convent View

BRIGID POWER, Old Court Road

VERA McDUNPHY, St. Brigid's Road

Our thoughts and prayers are with their families & friends at this time



"All those who implore my help daily for nine consecutive days, from 4th to 12th March inclusive and worthily receive the Sacraments of Penance and Holy Communion on one of the nine days will experience my protection and may hope with entire assurance to obtain from God any grace they ask that is good for their souls and the Glory of God" **St. Francis Xavier in an apparition to Fr. Mastrilli.**

The Novena of Grace, 4th to 12th March, will be conducted by Fr. David Halpin and will take place at 10am and 7.30pm Masses during the week and to help everyone to participate fully the Novena prayers will be available.

Age Action IRELAND

Over 55 and terrified of computers? Age

Action runs beginners courses in Computers, iPads, tablets for older people who have little or no experience. Courses free of charge run once a week for 5/6 weeks and are coming to Deansrath Community College soon. For more information and to book telephone 01 4756989



Our **Lets Talk, Lets be Family** series of parish discussions in preparation for the World Meeting of Families 2018 continues this wed after the 10am mass in the Pastoral Centre in the Village and at 7:30pm in Rowlagh Church! All Welcome



There are **four places left** on the Parish Pilgrimage to Lourdes - 12th to 17th May.

Booking Forms are available from the Sacristy, Parish Office and Repository.

Interested?

More information from Margaret in the Sacristy



Congrats to the trainee permanent Deacons, Dermot Davis, Don Devaney, Gerry Malone, Noel McHugh & Gregory Pepper who were ordained as Acolytes last Saturday evening by Bishop Ray Field. A great celebration!
Keep them in your prayers as they continue their studies.



Clondalkin Tidy Towns Group is making an appeal for volunteers to join up on any Saturday morning for a Weekly Clean up in Clondalkin Village and its environs. On Sat last Tidy Towns Volunteers were in action on Boot Road /Convent Road and also at the church gates. So come along and join us in our preparations for the 2018 National Tidy Towns Competition and help us in our efforts to restore pride in our historic village.

The group meets in **Tuthill's car park** every Saturday morning at 10.00 am , All are welcome.

Tommy Keogh

MONDAY CLUB



We had a good crowd in the Club today. Welcome to some new visitors and regulars and hoping those missing are well and keeping warm in this cold weather. We heard one of our regulars has not been well for a while and we wish Brid O'Hogain a speeding recovery. We had a less hectic week this week after the past two weeks. We got an email from Louise Ronan, deputy principal of Colaiste Bride inviting us to Colaiste Bride's Wellbeing Week from 5 - 9 March. We will gratefully accept their kind invitation and we will meet at the top door of the church after the Mass and Rosary on Monday 5 March and go together to Colaiste Bride. Kay Lee was to come on Monday to tell us about Fr Bala, but she has kindly agreed to defer it until April. There is an article in this month's Messenger Magazine about St Mel's Cathedral in Longford outlining its history from the 1800s to the present day. We were supposed to go on a trip to Longford last year but we did not get to go, so hopefully we will get there this year. MISA art in St James's Hospital is continuing on 21 March and April and 23 May. Anyone wishing to take part please let me know to book a place for you. We finished up the morning with a few games of bingo. Last week I forgot to thank Stephen for helping with the pancakes. He was wonderful help getting the pancakes heated up and ready for despatch. Thank you Stephen it was great and again thanks to Joan, Colette and Stephen and Martin for having the tables set and heating on.

Until next week take care and stay warm Kathleen R.



In preparation of the World Meeting of Families, that will be held in Dublin in

August I was astonished how I take my family for granted. Our project for the week is to pray for families in trouble and to be thankful for what we have. Alex and Adam tells me that the answer to last week's quiz was 9 and they got it without help. Well done!! This week's quiz is a lot easier.

Match the 4 names with what you think they are

1. Stetson
2. Elk
3. Flute
4. Zinc

Animal

Metal

Type of hat

A musical instrument

Your answers, comments, jokes, stories to the Parish Newsletter email address on the front page

Praying the
SCRIPTURES

Continuing on from our Week of Guided Prayer before Christmas we are inviting you to

Praying the Scriptures -

- **Tuesday March 6th - 10:30am** (After the 10am Mass) in the Pastoral Centre beside Clondalkin Village Church
- **Thursday March 8th - 10:30am** (After the 10am Mass) In Bawnogue Church OR
- **Friday March 9th - 11:30am** (After Eucharistic Adoration) in the small chapel in Neilstown Church