## **CHURCH DUTY**

Cleaning: Rebecca Duggan and Betty Byrne Altar Linen: Deirdre Alexander No flowers for Advent: Maintenance of Advent Wreath

## ENTHUSIASM

Enthusiasm is the dynamics of personality Without it All abilities you may have Lie dormant

You may possess The Soundest judgment Knowledge And good reasoning faculties But no one will know it Until you discover How you put your heart Into thought and action

(Enthusiasm breakfasts on obstacles, lunches on objections and dines on competition)

(Courtesy Fr. Padraig)

# THE IRISH CANCER SOCIETY'S VOLUNTEER SERVICE

The Irish Cancer Society's Volunteer Driver Service is available to patients attending the Dublin hospitals (excluding Beaumont) for chemotherapy treatment. This service is completely free to the patient – a driver will pick you up at the door of your home and bring you to the hospital & then, after treatment, bring you home. So if you are having trouble getting to and from your chemotherapy treatments then please speak to your oncology team or call the Irish Cancer Society on 01 2310 566 / 01 2316 642.

## ANNUAL CRAFT FAIR

Looking for that unusual gift? The Annual Craft Fair will be held next Sunday, 6<sup>th</sup> December in Áras Chrónáin from 12pm to 5pm and will feature handmade gifts and crafts. Your support greatly appreciated for this local initiative

### CLONDALKIN ANIMAL AID

Clondalkin Animal Aid are hosting a Christmas Musical Evening on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December in the Steering Wheel starting at 8.30pm. Music by Sean Coughlan. Please come along and join in the sing song and enjoy some festive goodies. There will also be a raffle. Cost €5 per person. Mary McCoy,

Clondalkin Animal Aid

## **CLONDALKIN ACTIVE RETIREMENT**

Thank you Graham and the girls from CAME for baking all those beautiful cakes and scones for us on Tuesday last. Also thank you to Sean Coughlan for providing the music, it was lovely to see everyone having a bit of fun.

The Bright Side of Life Choir will be singing in the Council Offices in Clondalkin on Wednesday next 9<sup>th</sup> December at 5.30 to turn on the Christmas Lights, all are welcome. On Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December there is a Choir Night in the Towers Club at 7.30, a night not to be missed.

Well just to let you all know  $\notin 10,100$  was raised for Lauralynn Ireland's Children's Hospice. Thank you all for your support and kindness.

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.

### PARISH TEAM CONTACTS

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Fr. Seamus McEntee St Mary's 459 2311

Clonburris

Fr Shán O Cuív CC 087 238 7530

Knockmitten

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Parish Pastoral Workers (for the Combined Catholic Parishes of Clondalkin)

> Christina Malone 0857162152

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Sunday – 6<sup>th</sup> December 2015 No OUR PARISH MISSION

During Mass you will have heard from a member of the team who will give the Mission this week, I would encourage you to make time for the morning Masses during which there will be a talk. The 7.30am Mass goers won't feel left out as they will have short input before they head off to work, college or school. There will also be a talk each evening. In particular a special invite to hear John Pridmore speak on Monday evening about God's love. God's mercy is the theme of Tuesday night and God's healing will be the subject of Wednesday's talk, Thursday is about God's gift of Mary and finally on Friday we will have Mass of the Holy Spirit at 7.30pm.

### HOLY DAY MASSES

In order to accommodate as many parishioners as possible and to encourage people to attend the Mission we will have Mass for the Vigil of 8<sup>th</sup> December **on Monday evening at 6.45pm** so those who want to attend the talk on Monday evening can do so. On the 8<sup>th</sup> December Mass in the morning will be at 07.30, 10.00 and 13.00 here in the Village. Mass will be in Clonburris at 09.30 and in Knockmitten at 11.00.

Please join with us spirituality by praying a prayer for the success of our parish Mission.

"Heavenly Father,

We pray that our Parish Mission may be a time of grace and renewal for all. We ask you to bless all the families in our Parish especially those who are experiencing difficulties. Bless the old, the young, the poor, the sick, the unemployed and those in sorrow or despair. Help us dear Lord to grow in faith and love of you. Amen"

## **ADORATION**

This Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> December there will be We extend our deepest sympathy to the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the Church:

**Morning:** after Mission to 11.45am Evening: 7.30pm Mission

## **"YEAR OF MERCY"**

Pope Francis has announced an Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy in the Universal Church. This Holv Year of Mercy will begin on 8<sup>th</sup> December to commemorate both the Feast of the Immaculate Conception and the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the closing of the Second Vatican Council, which called the Church to proclaim the Gospel to the world in new ways, bringing God's mercy to everyone. The Year will conclude on 20 November 2016.

Our Holy Father entreats the Lord to make the Jubilee of Mercy a year of grace so that the Church, "with renewed enthusiasm, may bring good news to the poor, proclaim liberty to captives and the oppressed, and restore sight to the blind."

## **APPRECIATION**

The family of the late Anne Guilfoyle thanks you most sincerely for your kind expression of sympathy in their recent 9.00am bereavement.

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass has 10.30am been offered for your intentions.

## **NOTICES**

# Monday 7<sup>th</sup> December

Miraculous Medal Novena after 10am 12 Noon Mass and Rosary.

## Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> December

Lectio Divina under the direction of Sr. Anne in the Pastoral Centre after 10am Mass. 5.30pm The Legion of Mary meets in the Convent at 11.00am. New members are welcome.

family and friends of: Elaine Ellis, Adamstown

DEATHS

Kathleen Roebuck, St. John's Rd

recently deceased. May they rest in peace.

## CCPC INTERCESSORY PRAYER **FOR 9 CLONDALKIN PARISHES**

NO MEETING because of Parish Mission

#### **ANNIVERSARIES**

**Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> December** Evelyn Jones, B/day Rem 10.00am

## Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> December

Sylvia, Mary and James 10.00am Thornberry

# Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> December

7.30pm (Vigil) Enie Fitzgerald and deceased members of Fitzgerald Family Marie Kearney Edward Kessack Anne Doonan, MM Maura Spollen and deceased members of family Molly and Christopher Hannon Jean. John and Robert Hudson John, Lucy, Susan and Olive Corcoran Phyllis McGrath, 1<sup>st</sup> An Kieran and Mary Lernihan Donal Moffet, 11<sup>th</sup> An Patricia Kelly Residents and deceased residents of Floraville Estate Lisa Sexton, 20<sup>th</sup> An Phyllis Hurrell, 3<sup>rd</sup> An Nancy, Joe and Patsy Murphy

## **CLONBURRIS Mass Intentions**

Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> December 6.30pm John Blackburn M.M. Kevin Blackburn Rem.

Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> December 11.00am Laurence O'Brien An. Patrick Downey B.Rem. Regina Hanlon An.

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> December - Feast of the Immaculate Conception Mass at 9.30am

## Baptísm

Congratulations to Alanna Megan McCarthy who was Baptised on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> November after 11am Mass.

**ENROLEMENT FOR OUR LADY QUEEN OF THE APOSTLES NATIONAL SCHOOL CLONBURRIS.** 

If you have a child whom you wish to begin school in September 2016 and you have not already enrolled him/her, please contact the school {014573636} or call to collect an application form. Closing date for applications is 31/01/2016. If you know of a friend or neighbour who has a child starting school and may not receive this newsletter, please let them know. Thank you.

## CHRISTMAS CHURCH CLEANING

The Annual BIG Church Clean-up will take place on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December at 2.30pm.

We invite the usual cleaning teams and as many other people who would like to help to participate. Altars, windows, doors, seats and many other items are in need of a good clean-up and to have the church looking its best we need many hands on deck.

Cleaning materials will be supplied. Kitty Egan

## CHARISMATIC PRAYER MEETING

No meeting on Wednesday - Parish Mission

### ST VINCENT DE PAUL CHRISTMAS APPEAL

"Even in an improving economy, it can still take just one small problem to tip someone into crisis and poverty. But we know that a little help at the right time can change everything".

This Christmas many people in our community will ask St. Vincent de Paul Society for help with food, fuel and basic clothing.

But we cannot say yes without you"

Next Sunday, 13<sup>th</sup> December, the SHARE collection will be replaced by the Christmas Appeal for local St. Vincent de Paul and we appreciate your generosity

## MONDAY CLUB

Despite the bad weather on Monday there was a smaller group than usual.

Noreen King of Clondalkin Senior Citizens came to tell us of the forthcoming Christmas event taking place on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> December in Quinlan's Pub from 4pm to 8pm. Tickets will be available in the Monday Club and from Noreen and Mary Brennan at €10. This includes a meal. Noreen and Mary Brennan have put much effort into organising this event so support will be greatly appreciated.

After a welcome cup of tea/coffee and apple strudel baked by Sean Browne, we had a very enjoyable morning with a game of Bingo. We have not had Bingo for so long we nearly forgot how to play it. Numbers were rolled out by Joan and Josie. There were five games played and prizes were very kindly donated by Peggy O'Neill. A "BIG THANK YOU" Sean and Peggy! Kathleen R.