

“HARVEST THANKSGIVING” MASS

The first Harvest Thanksgiving Mass will be celebrated in our Church at 12 noon next Sunday, 26th October – celebrant Fr. Seamus.

This is a community celebration with participation of everyone. With this in mind we invite all to contribute produce from gardens etc, fruits, vegetables, fruit preserves etc. All the donations will be brought to Br. Kevin, Church St. who looks after the homeless and the poor in the city centre. In addition to garden/farm produce we welcome gifts of other non-perishable foodstuffs that will be suitable for Br. Kevin’s charity. Donations can be left in the Sacristy or Office or in the Church by Saturday 25th at 5pm when the Environment Group will be in attendance getting the church ready. Everyone welcome to drop in to help or just to look!

Members of the Pastoral Council invite all attending to drop into the Pastoral Centre after Mass for a cuppa and cake. They welcome donations of cakes and any surplus will go to Br. Kevin

ANNUAL MASS FOR THE DECEASED OF THE PARISH

Advance notice: Sunday 23rd November at 5.30pm

CLONDALKIN HISTORY SOCIETY

The Annual General Meeting will take place in Aras Chronain, Watery Lane, on Monday 20th October 2014 at 8pm. Following the AGM photographs of old Clondalkin from the Society's archives will be on display. If you have photos from Clondalkin's past please bring them along and we will include them.

All are welcome

Padraig A O'Murchu

CLONDALKIN ACTIVE RETIREMENT

I am honoured to be appointed Chairperson of Clondalkin Active Retirement. I assure you I will do my level best to live up to your expectations; however, obviously this is a committee's opportunity to serve your best interest. We can only do this with your full co-operation and support, so please tell us what exactly you want us to achieve. We can only do this with friendly interaction from everybody, so let’s all go forward and have a GOOD YEAR. Our New Committee, Clare Morgan, Chairperson, Barbara O’Flaherty, Vice Chairperson, Michael Daly Secretary, Thomas O’Flaherty Assistant Secretary, Maura Mannix Treasurer, Ann Moloney Assistant Treasurer and committee members, Maura Gaffney, Maureen Mannion, Mary McNamara, Fintan Mullally, Kay O’Byrne and Patsy Sheppard.

Thank you Sarah O’Gorman, Age Friendly Officer with South Dublin County Council for your time and your wonderful talk on Tuesday last.

“Thank you” Margaret Wignall for raising approximately €1,200 for the Heart Foundation and “thank you” for allowing us to do that walk with you.

Here are few dates for your calendar...Wednesday 12th November Mousetrap at Board Gais Theatre, show starts at 3pm.....Sunday 30th November our Christmas Dinner, venue Newlands Golf Club.... Thursday 18th December our Christmas Party in Towers Club 4 - 8pm so hopefully we can squeeze in something else before Christmas so let us have your ideas.

Thank you for all your support.
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

Village

Office/Sacristy
459 3520

Fr Damian Farnon,
Moderator
St Cecilia’s
459 2665

Fr Pádraig O’Sullivan,
Co-P.P.
St Columba’s
464 0441

Fr. Seamus McEntee
St Mary’s
459 2311

Clonburris

Fr Shán O Cuív CC
087 238 7530

Knockmitten

Fr Des Byrne CC
45 Woodford Drive.
459 2323



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

Peter Siney
089 461 4226

Christopher Okereke
457 3546

PARISH NEWS

Clondalkin Village,
Clonburris & Knockmitten



clondalkinchurch@eircom.net www.clondalkinparish.com

Vol. 19 Sunday – 19th October 2014 No 42

MISSIONARY ZEAL

Can you feel the energy and passion emanating from today’s Second Reading? The Church’s early missionaries – Paul, Silvanus and Timothy – are writing to the Church in Thessalonika with words of encouragement and hope. The Thessalonians were newly converted Christians, with whom Paul had spent no more than a few weeks. The opening of his letter, which we hear today, compliments them on their faith and perseverance, and reminds them of God’s love for them. It is apt today as we celebrate Mission Sunday and reflect on the Church’s mission to spread the Good News. As followers of Christ, we are tasked with passing on the message of his love. Those who have experienced God’s love will want to pass this gift on to others.

The theme for this year’s Mission Sunday is ‘That you may have life’. Paul’s message to the Thessalonians is positive and life-affirming: ‘We always mention you in our prayers and thank God for you all’. Appreciating others and acting with encouragement is part of our call to respect life and human dignity. When we pray for each other and help those in need, we are doing just that.

‘Even the weakest and most vulnerable, the sick, the old, the unborn and the poor, are masterpieces of God’s creation, made in his own image, destined to live for ever, and deserving of the utmost reverence and respect’.
Pope Francis

Triona Doherty
Athlone, Co Roscommon
Email trionad@gmail.com

BAPTISMS

Congratulations and welcome to:

Dylan Mark Russell, Floraville Avenue
Adam Liam Murphy, St. Brigid's Drive
Bella Carol Chelsea Kinsella, Riverside
Jason Stephen Seery, Monastery Gate Green

recently Baptised.

ADORATION

This Thursday, 23rd October, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will be in the:

Church: from after 10am Mass to 11.45am

Church: 7pm to 9pm.

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: Clondalkin Parish Centre

Date: Tuesday 21st October.

All are welcome

CHURCH DUTY

Cleaning: Betty Byrne and Rebecca Duggan

Altar Linen: Teresa Coyne

Flowers: Aileen Skelton 17th to 31st October
and Maura Gaffney 3rd November
(2 weddings on Saturday)

NOTICES

Monday 20th October

Miraculous Medal Novena after 10am Mass and Rosary.

Tuesday 21st October

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.

WEDDINGS

Congratulations and best wishes to:

Annamarie Quinn and Darren Naughton

recently married.

DEATHS

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

Monica O'Dwyer, Monastery Gate Lawns

recently deceased. May she rest in peace.

THE REPOSITORY

Your help would be much appreciated next Tuesday, 21st October to prepare the Parish Christmas cards at 2pm in the Repository
Mary Farrell

ENVIRONMENTAL GROUP

Environmental Group and friends please note: Meeting to get church ready at **5pm** – **not 4pm** – wedding at 3.30pm – on Saturday 25th October

ANNIVERSARIES

Monday 20th October

7.30am Billy McDermott

10.00am Michael Kennedy

Saturday 25th October

10.00am Bridget Barrett, Rec. Dec

Sunday 26th October

7.30pm (Vigil) Rita O'Neill, MM

10.30am Bobby and Vincent Norton

12 Noon Seamus Ryan

Michael Mahon, 1st An

Esther, Dessie & Liam Buggy

Ronald McNulty

CLONBURRIS

Mass Intentions

Sunday 19th October

11.00am Joan Keane (An)

Clare Dunne (An)

Neil Hanlon (An)

FINANCE REPORT

The Finance Committee acknowledges with thanks €2,363 – your planned giving contributions this week

THE SANCTITY OF THE SANCTUARY

In Catholic churches, the area around the altar is “holy” because of the physical presence of God in the Eucharist, both during the Mass and in the tabernacle the rest of the time. So that people can tell when Jesus is there the sanctuary lamp is lit, indicating that anyone approaching the altar should genuflect, to show respect for Him.

We are creatures of habit and habit is comfortable and familiar, but the opposite side of the same coin we say “variety is the spice of life”.

Beginning next Sunday at the Harvest Festival Mass the symbols will be held at the Sacred Heart Altar now named “Sacred Space” so as not to clutter up the Sanctuary where the “table of the Lord” is situated and where the Sacrifice of the Mass is offered, which is worthy of our full attention.

People on entering the church during the week may have noticed that the Altar was covered by a green cloth denoting the Liturgical Calendar colour for time of year when Mass is not being celebrated. Out of respect and reverence the Table of the Lord with the white cloth where the Sacrifice of the Mass has just been celebrated is covered to save it from dust and other particles.

WINTER TIME OFFICIALLY ARRIVES

Blow, blow, thou Winter Wind,
Thou art not so unkind, as Man's Ingratitude..
(William Shakespeare, As you like it)
Next Sunday, 26th clocks go back one hour. The Church closes at 4.30pm

PRESENTATION ASSOCIATES/ FRIENDS OF NANO

Presentation associates welcome new members. Our associates meet in the Convent. Our next meeting is on Monday night at 8.00pm. 10th November which will be an open night for all. Come and join us on that night and see for yourself. We are delighted to welcome all- male, female, young and not so young.

Who are we? We are a group of people associated with the Presentation sisters. We pray for the missions, we fund-raise, we pray for all the students in Presentation schools especially those doing exams and we support the mission of Presentation Sisters whenever we can, to name but a few. Please pick up a leaflet to learn more about Associates/friends of Nano at the church entrance.

Sr. Concepta

MONDAY CLUB

Many thanks to Phyllis for kindly donating some lovely prizes for our “Bingo” session! The call “lucky for some, unlucky for others” was proved correct when on the 13th Brid won not once but twice.

Instead of “Well done” the call was “Fix, Fix” amid much laughter. Brid enjoy!

Another fun filled morning was enjoyed by a full house so much so that we ran out of Bingo cards and some people offered to forego the chance of winning the Halloween decorations which were raffled in fairness to everyone.

See you all next week

Joan