(Continued from page 1)

counts and all gifts will bring us closer to our goal however the decision to support is a voluntary and personal one that will be decided between you and your family.

A reminder that information and forms are still available and can be picked up after Mass at the back of the Church for any of you who may not have heard of this initiative and would like to find out more. Anyone who would like to complete a form can return it directly to the Parish Office or by post by using one of the return envelopes provided.

Thank you for your support and please pray for the continued success of Living the Joy of the Gospel in Clondalkin parish and across the Diocese as other parishes take part in the initiative. With the blessing of God, working together, we can look forward to achieving our aims.

With blessings, Fr Damian

#### MOYLE PARK ENROLMENTS

Last week application forms for Enrolment at Moyle Park College for first years for 2016-2017 were delivered to our local feeder schools.

Parents were asked to remember that the application forms and all necessary documentation must be submitted by post or by hand to Moyle Park on or before Friday 18<sup>th</sup> September.

Helen Heffernan

## CLONDALKIN HORTICULTURAL SHOW

The Clondalkin Horticultural Show is returning this year after an absence of 30 years. The show takes place on October 4<sup>th</sup> in Aras Chrónáin. Entry forms are available from Loza Wool, Monastery SC, Clondalkin or the Intercultural Centre on Tower Road. Closing date for entries in September 22.

Maureen Christopher

#### HARVEST THANKSGIVING

In response to many requests it is decided to once again to celebrate "Harvest Thanksgiving" Mass on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> October at 12 noon (1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in October but based on the theme of Pope Francis' Encyclical – Praise the Lord).

Again all produce donated will be taken to Br. Kevin who looks after the homeless in the City Centre

#### CONDALKIN ACTIVE RETIREMENT

It' great to be back to our Club, and all the new members are very welcome.

We got back to a kick start with Celine getting them all on the floor doing a bit of line dancing.

We have a lot of fun coming up, so watch this space.

Ok on a serious note Health and Wellbeing Week starts on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> ..19<sup>th</sup> September 2015, the slogan is "GET YOUR ASS OFF THE COUCH", it will be launched on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> September at 11am at Tallaght Stadium and Miriam O'Callaghan will be in attendance. I am an Ambassodor for Tus Nua which are involved with this event. Thanks to Maria Finn, Sandra Hickey and Sarah O'Gorman, South Dublin County Council, for all the work they do for our communtties. Also, on Monday evening at Rua Red David Bobbett will be giving a talk on heart disease.

Ballroom Dancing starts on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> Sept. Time: 11am to 12 with Eithne at Clondalkin Leisure Centre and its all free, thank you South Dublin County Council, its a six week course.

Talk next week 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 Cecilla'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. 20

Sunday – 13<sup>th</sup> September 2015

No 37

# POST CAMPAIGN COMMUNICATION CLONDALKIN (Living the Joy of the Gospel)

Since the campaign started, I have witnessed remarkable generosity by our parish family. I would like to thank everyone that volunteered to help make this a fruitful campaign. Specifically, I would like to acknowledge those who have dedicated their time over the past few weeks in speaking with people, making calls and volunteering at Mass, enabling our parish to be successful. I am grateful for your generosity and time. I want to thank most of all, the families who have already contributed or made a pledge. We extended an invitation to participate and you have responded with a generosity that is inspiring.

Over the summer months we rolled out Living the Joy of the Gospel in our parish and it has been a great success. Thanks to your generosity and I'm delighted to share that our total raised to date is now close to €220,000, that is 60% of our goal!

The funds raised will help us to achieve our plans:

- Undertake our local projects set-out under Living the Joy of the Gospel funds
- Support trained Lay Ministry specifically the Parish Pastoral Worker programme
- Support for clergy in active Ministry and promoting Vocations

This is what is required to strengthen parish life and grow a faith community in Clondalkin

#### Your Participation

A few weeks ago we had our commitment weekend which was the final fundraising activity as part of "Living the Joy of the Gospel" and the response was overwhelming and we continue to receive some pledges. Our aim has always been to share the plans for the future with EVERY parishioner giving them the opportunity to learn more about this initiative. Every pledge

(Continued on page 4)

#### **BAPTISMS**

Congratulations and welcome to

Andrei Senan Fagan, Monastery Gate Ave.

who received the Sacrament of Baptism.

#### **ADORATION**

This Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> September there will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament **Morning:** In the Sisters' Oratory 10.45am to 11.45am

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

#### **CHURCH DUTY**

**Cleaning:** Rita Arnold and Elsie Naughton Flowers: Noreen King 28th August, Kathleen Cosgrove from 11<sup>th</sup> September Flowers: Reminder: decoration of Church on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> October in preparation for Harvest Thanksgiving Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> October at 12 noon)

#### ADULT CATECHISM STUDIES

Catechism studies will continue on Wednesday the 16<sup>th</sup> September at 7.30pm in the Pastoral Centre. The Catechism reflects on the third article of the Creed, Conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary, Paragraphs 470 - 534.

#### **NOTICES**

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> September

Miraculous Medal Novena after 10am Mass and Rosary.

Tuesday 158<sup>th</sup> September

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:

Evlyn McDonnell and Patrick Byrne

who received the Sacrament of Marriage

#### **DEATHS**

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

Michael Geraghty Margaret McInerney Anne Guilfoyle

recently deceased. May they rest in peace.

#### CCPC INTERCESSORY PRAYER FOR 9 CLONDALKIN PARISHES

This Tuesday evening 15<sup>th</sup> September Intercessory Group praying in Parish Pastoral Centre, 7.30pm - 8.30pm

Come along if you can to join us in praying for the needs of our whole group of parishes

#### **ANNIVERSARIES**

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> September 10.00am Hans Will

Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup> September	
7.30pm (Vigi	l) Margaret Jones,
Jill Meagher	
	Beatrice (Lily) Smith, 2 <sup>nd</sup> An
	Joe Della Curry
10.30am	Margaret (Peg) Dooley
	Michael Fitzsimons
	Pat and Jennie Maher
	Kathleen Handley
12.00 Noon	Patricia Gordon, 4 <sup>th</sup> An
	Niamh MdDonnell
	Tadgh O'Neill, 6 <sup>th</sup> An
	Niamh McDonnell
5.30pm	Martha Ferris, 20 <sup>th</sup> An

#### APOSTOLIC WORK

It is with regret that Clondalkin Branch of Apostolic Work has ceased after fifty three vears.

I wish to thank Kathleen Murray, Mary Seary, Anie MacMathúna, Phyliss Rumgay and Kathleen Moore for all the sewing and embroidery they did over the years and not forgetting all our former members.

To all the Honorary members who made generous annual subscriptions. To the Presentation Sisters for facilitating is in having our meetings in Scoil Mhuire. Finally, remembering the late Sister Kevin who started Apostolic Work all those years ago.

Minnie Murphy, President.

#### MONDAY CLUB

The Monday Club will recommence on Monday with the Coffee Morning in support of the Hospice. There willalso be a raffle for very nice prises.

Please come along, meet and bring friends and catch up wirh old friends and lend your very valued support.

> See you all there Kathleen R.

#### **ROUND TOWER FAMILY FUN DAY** 2015

Children and adults are welcome to Round Tower Family Fun Day that will take place Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> September. A host of family related games and entertainment is being hosted by the club at its playing pitches at Monastery Road in Clondalkin village. This will include an inflatable pitch, games, stalls, music, barbecue, and tasty treats for all. Admission is free and all are welcome. The day will run 1pm - 5pm. Further detail is available at www.roundtower.ie.

Michael McGlynn

#### SCHOOL MASSES

Scoil Idé Opening Mass September 17<sup>th</sup> at 10 00am

Colaiste Bríd Masses 14<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> September at 2.30pm

#### PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO MULLAGH

This year the parish of Clondalkin celebrates 400 years since the setting up of the parish. The parish church is dedicated to the Immaculate Conception and St. Killian. To mark this great year of celebration for the parish we are organising a pilgrimage to Mullagh, Co. Cavan, which is near the birthplace of St. Killian.

St. Killian who was born in the year 640 in Cloughballybeg, near Mullagh, Co. Cavan. He later travelled as a missionary to Germany with 11 of his companions. He became a bishop there and was beheaded for standing up for the teachings of the Church. He is buried in a town in northern Bavaria, called Wurzberg.

The day we have set aside for the pilgrimage to Mullagh is Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> October and the bus will leave after the 10am Mass and hopefully be back home by 6pm. The cost is €10 per person, collected on the day. This will include the bus to and from Mullagh, which is about 1 and half hours away. Lunch of soup and sandwiches, and tea/coffee and a scone afterwards is included in the price. The price also includes entry into the interpretative centre and Mass will be celebrated in the local church, where a relic of St. Killian is kept.

We welcome as many parishioners as possible to come along, though numbers are limited to 58. We hope it will be a great day of celebration, prayer and blessings for our parish community of Clondalkin.

If you are interested in coming, please leave your name along with payment, in at the shop at the back of the Parish church or with Anne in the parish office (ph. 01-4593520).