

ordering of society.

It may have disputes with individual politicians and certain political groupings but overall it regards politics as being necessary for the good ordering of society. Politicians even have a Patron Saint – Thomas More and we pray for his intercession in helping our public representatives to live as he did giving his gifts and talents to serving his government well.

Fr. Padraig

PIONEER TOTAL ABSTINENCE ASSOCIATION

Next meeting of the Pioneer Total Abstinence Association will be held on Friday 2nd October in the Pastoral centre after 10am Mass and Rosary. New members welcome!

ST JOSEPH'S YOUNG PRIESTS' SOCIETY

Next monthly meeting will be held on Wednesday 30th September after 10am Mass and Rosary upstairs in the Pastoral Centre.

The hosting of the Chalice and prayer card is continuing and to prolong it until the end of the year volunteers are needed. It necessitates signing up. The Chalice will be delivered to your home and you undertake to pray for vocations to the Religious life. The Chalice is collected at the end of the week and proceeds to the next home. If you already have hosted and would like to repeat feel free to sign up.

CLONDALKIN HISTORY SOCIETY

The 2015/2016 lecture series commences on Monday 28th September when Michael McDermott talks on the "History of Weatherwell" in Clondalkin at Áras Chronáin, starting at 8pm. Admission €5 (non members) and all welcome

Josephine Byrne

PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO MULLAGH

There are 16 places left for the day pilgrimage to Mullagh, Co. Cavan on Saturday 10th October.

The cost of €10 includes the coach there and back, soup and sandwiches for lunch tea/coffee and a scone afterwards is included in the price.

The coach leaves after 10am Mass and returns approx. 6pm

If interested please call to the Sacristy and sign the form available

CLONDALKIN ACTIVE RETIREMENT

Thank you Aidan Dardis for hosting the quiz on Tuesday last, everyone really enjoyed taking part, and congratulations to Joan Steed and her team, who were the winners.

On 5th, 6th and 7th October, Barbara O'Flaherty is organising a trip to The Talbot Hotel, Wexford, anyone interested please contact Barbara.

On Wednesday 28th October, we are having a Fancy Dress Party. Venue: The Laurels, Clondalkin, Time: 4 to 8. Tickets: €10 each for dinner and entertainment. Please contact me on 086 3274323 for tickets

On 4th December, we are off on a day trip to The Christmas Markets in Waterford, please give your names as soon as possible. We will stop in Carlow for tea and scones on the way and return to Carlow for dinner and entertainment.

Kind regards
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.

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THE GOOD SOCIETY!

What is the Good Society? Perhaps nothing has been more controversial and divisive in the history of humanity than this issue. In our fallen world we all too often look to politics to create the good society and fix broken communities. The allure of political power is so strong that it has pulled many into thinking that it is armies, police, lawmakers, financiers and politicians who make the world go round. How often do people in our time yearn for a great political leader who will rid our society of oppression and establish a new social order of prosperity, harmony and national pride? There is nothing new in all this – the Jewish people of biblical times also yearned for a political leader that would rid them of the Roman Imperialists and re-establish national pride as in the golden era of King David's reign. Many Jewish people were disappointed when Jesus seemed to show little interest in politics. He said very little about it but in the little he did say he indicated that of itself politics is good and necessary. Jesus was not a politician but he never condemned it either.

The source of good government is the good person who lives a virtuous life according to the maxims of the "Sermon on the Mount"

The Christian virtues grew out of the Sermon on the Mount and were more definitively presented by the Early Church Fathers in their teachings.

The source of good government is the good society, which in turn is founded on the good man or woman who willingly accepts God's grace to live the virtues and become a light that radiates out to a world that has many dark corners in it. If enough people live the virtues that will be reflected in the society they live in and in its politics. First we need to get our own house in order and then radiate that order and the harmony that goes with it to family, community and society. Jesus respected the politicians of his day provided they worked for the common good and the Church respects the politicians of our time. It regards politics as being necessary for the good

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WEDDINGS



Congratulations and best wishes to:

Michelle Slaughter and John Donegan
Lisa Ryan and Johathon King
Claire Norris and Emmet Gartlan

who received the Sacrament of Marriage

ADORATION

This Thursday 1st October there will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Morning: In the Sisters' Oratory 10.45am to 11.45am

Evening: In the Church 7pm to 9pm. All are welcome

NOTICES

Monday 28th September

Miraculous Medal Novena after 10am Mass and Rosary.

Tuesday 29th 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.

Wednesday 30th September

The 10.00 Mass goes will be joined by the girls of Scoil Mhuire for the celebration of Mass.

Friday 2nd October

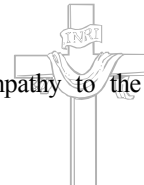
First Friday, Masses are offered for all whose names are on the Altar List of the Dead

Holy Family Church Rathcoole: First Friday Holy Hour at 7.30pm, followed by Mass at 9pm and Exposition, Rosary and Confessions

Saturday 3rd October

First Saturday, Fatima Devotions after 10am Mass

DEATHS



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

Mona Smith, Laurel Park
Edmond Boggans, St. Culbert's Court
Noel Doyle, Castle Avenue

recently deceased. May they rest in peace.

CCPC INTERCESSORY PRAYER FOR 9 CLONDALKIN PARISHES

This Tuesday evening 29th 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

CHURCH DUTY

Cleaning: Bernardine Wynne, Veronica Bayly, Tracy Whelan and Josephine Hearty

Altar Linen: Deirdre Alexander

Flowers: Noreen King

Reminder: I mistakenly overlooked a wedding in the Church at 3pm. Decoration of Church on Saturday 3rd at 4.45pm and we need help. Sorry for inconvenience, Teresa)

ANNIVERSARIES

Wednesday 30th September

10.00am Solveig Johannson,
Rec. Dec

Sunday 4th October

7.30pm (Vigil) Bennie and Annie Cummins
David and Rita O'Sullivan
Maura Gardiner
John Higgins
10.30am Bridget Norton
12 Noon Patrick (Paddy) Murphy
5.30pm Seamus Egan, B/day Rem
Edward Brannigan

CLONBURRIS

Mass Intentions

Sunday 27th September

11.00am Mary Deegan An,
Bob Rungay An.

FEAST OF ST THERESE – THURSDAY 1ST OCTOBER

We welcome the boys of St. Joseph's School who will celebrate the 10am Mass with us and after Mass roses will be blessed and hopefully the relic will be available – fitting tribute to the "Little Flower" who died at a young age.

Please bring sufficient roses – to have enough to go around. The shrine will be prepared on Wednesday.

MONTHLY HOUR OF PRAYER – THURSDAY 1ST OCTOBER 8 TO 9PM

There will be an Hour of Prayer with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, prayers for healing and individual blessings, finishing with Benediction at 9pm.

You are invited to come to this Hour of Prayer where we will gather to pray with you and for you as we ask the Healing hand of the Lord to touch and strengthen us.

All welcome

“HARVEST THANKSGIVING” MASS

By popular request we will again celebrate Harvest Thanksgiving next Sunday at 12 Noon Mass. This year the theme is based on Pope Francis' Encyclical "Laudato Si" – praise the Lord.

We ask for donations of food (groceries and other non-perishable food) that will be donated to Br. Kevin in Church St. who will distribute to the poor and homeless in the city – he distributed approx.1,600 parcels daily. The "Sacred Space" will be prepared to accept all donations.

ADULT CATECHISM STUDIES

The Passion and Death of Christ section 4 paragraphs 595 to 637.

We are at the heart of the Catechism's reflections on Article 4 of The Creed "Jesus Christ suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried". Christ died for all of us because of our sins, in a sense all of our sins are to blame for the death of Christ. The death of the eternal Son reveals the Father's love for us in a way that nothing else does. Finally at this session we consider the first part of Article 5 of The Creed, "He descended into hell on the third day He rose again".

Ronan Leydon

EARLY START TO THE PRAYER MEETING

This Wednesday 30th September the Rosary – Mysteries of Light will be recited at 7.30pm before Prayer Meeting at 8pm in the Parish Pastoral Centre. All are welcome

MONDAY CLUB

We had a lovely surprise visit from our new Pastoral worker, Christina Malone who has recently taken up duty in our parish. She is replacing Peter Siney. Christina introduced herself by telling us about herself, about her work as a pastoral worker and her ambitions for the ministry in our parish.

We wish Christina all the best in her ministry here in the parish of Clondalkin. We had a discussion on the activities in the Monday Club for the coming year. We hope to have a good mix of activities eg musical mornings, quizzes, bingo, card games, crafts and this week we are having an outing to Trinity College.

We will have a quick cuppa tea/coffee after the 10am Mass and Rosary and then leave to get the bus to town.

Kathleen R.