BLESSING OF ROSES – FEAST OF THE LITTLE FLOWER, TUESDAY 1ST OCTOBER

"My mission - to make God loved - will begin after my death," she said. "I will spend my heaven doing good on earth. I will let fall a shower of roses." Roses have been described and experienced as Saint Therese's signature. Countless millions have been touched by her intercession and imitate her "little way." She has been acclaimed "the greatest saint of modern times." In 1997, Pope John Paul II declared St. Therese a Doctor of the Church - the only Doctor of his pontificate - in tribute to the powerful way her spirituality has influenced people all over the world.

Roses will be blessed after 10am Mass on Tuesday. As the Year of faith draws to a close it may be appropriate to distribute the blessed roses to the people who are sick, housebound or alienated from the church.

We hope to have a relic of St. Thérese available.

CLONDALKIN ICA

Ladies of Clondalkin and surrounding areas, the Clondalkin Guild of the Irish Country Women's Association (ICA) is now up and running once again for the Winter/Spring season.

We have a great programme of events planned for the next few months - lots of crafts, interesting talks and demonstrations on all subjects. Of course we also have great social outings and we are already planning our Christmas dinner.

We meet in St Joseph's Boys' School in Clondalkin on the first, second and third Tuesdays of each month at 8pm

Please come and join us where you will be made very welcome."

Bernie Dunne, PRO

WANT TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE? GIVE A CHILD THE GIFT OF READING

"Barnardos" is looking for adults aged 55 years and older with time on their hands, lots of life experience and an enjoyment of reading for a volunteer reading programme for schools.

Volunteers will provide one-to-one reading sessions to children in 1st and 2nd class who need some extra help with their reading. The sessions occur 2 to 3 times a week for 30 minutes each and the volunteer will be asked to read with 2 children on each visit during school hours.

No teaching experience is required, although teachers are welcome, as Barnardos provides full training and ongoing to support all volunteers.

For more information or to register please contact Suzanne Connolly, Barnardos Volunteer Service, 01 7080431 or emailyolunteers@barnardos.ie

CHILDREN'S CORNER

Aindriú Báicéir is this week's winner. Congratulations Aindriú! Your prize is waiting to be picked up by you from the Sacristy after Mass today.

THIS WEEK'S QUIZ

On Tuesday 1st October is the Feast of St.



There'se is better known as?
And what flower is associated with her? (Clue in picture)

Your entries by emailellenteresacoyne@eircom.net by Tuesday evening or to the Sacristy by Wednesday morning.

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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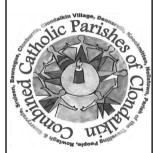
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DIFFERENT VOICES

You may have noticed last week that the front page last week was written by Peter Siney our Pastoral Worker. His excellent piece on the funeral ministry is available on the Website: newsletter page of our www.clondalkinparish.com. I will be asking various people to write the front page on a regular basis over the next few months. Archbishop Martin spoke some time ago about the voices of Christians being marginalised. I received this invitation from a group called Catholic Comment. As you may know, Catholic Comment was established in 2012 to serve the Church and the Media by providing confident, courteous and capable speakers for public discussions and debates. You may have seen or heard them on TV or radio along the way. Catholic Comment speakers aim to 'shed light rather than heat' and to foster genuine understanding. They communicate about the faith and express their sincere convictions in in language people can understand. There is already great demand for our speakers and there will be more, please God. We now wish to find a new panel of speakers to assist the work of those already involved. You may be interested in becoming a Catholic Comment speaker or you may know somebody who would be good. Alternatively, you may wish to help us by keeping us in your prayers and/or making a donation. If you need any information please contact Sheena Darcy at speakers@catholiccomment.ie

CHURCH LIGHTS OUT

The emergency lighting will be checked out over the 8th, 9th and 10th October so the church will be closed after 10am Mass on those days, so your patience is appreciated. This is a requirement of our insurance company.

Fr. Damian

DEATHS

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

Elizabeth (Lilly) Smith, Ninth Lock

recently deceased. May she rest in peace.

COLÁISTE BRÍDE OPEN DAY

Coláiste Bríde invites prospective students and their parents to an Open Day on Tuesday, October 8th, 2013 from 10.00am – 3pm. We look forward to meeting you and showing you around our school.

ACTIVE RETIREMENT AGM

Members please note: AGM Tuesday 1st October in Round Towers at 11am

NOTICES

Monday 30th September

Miraculous Medal Novena after 10am Mass and Rosary.

Legion of Mary meets in the Convent at 7.30pm. New members are welcome

Tuesday 1st October

Lectio Divina under the direction of Sr. Anne in the Pastoral Centre after 10am Mass.

Wednesday 2nd October

Meeting of parents with babies for Baptism in the Pastoral Centre at 8pm
Prayer Group meets in the Pastoral Centre at 8pm

Friday 4th October

First Friday, NO 7.30PM MASS. Morning Masses are offered for all whose names are on the Altar List of the Dead

Saturday 5th October

First Saturday, Fatima Devotions after 10am Mass

ADORATION

This Thursday, 3rd October Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will be held **in the Sisters' Oratory** from after 10am Mass to 11.45am **and from** 7pm to 9pm. All are welcome.

CHURCH DUTY

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

Altar Linen: Mary O'Neill

Flowers: Aileen Skelton, 4th to 17th October (School Masses, Tues and Wed at 3.30pm)

FINANCE REPORT

The Finance Committee acknowledges with thanks €2,279 – your planned giving contributions this week.

ANNIVERSARIES

Monday 30th September

10.00am Madge Moore

Tuesday 1st October

7.30am Leo McGann

Thursday 3rd October

10.00am David and Rita O'Sullivan

Sunday 6th October

7.30pm (Vigil) Benny and Ann Cummins

Maura Gardiner Bernie Freyne

9.00am Agnes Doyle 10.30am Bridget Norton

Michael Minogue

Michael Joseph Leydon

12 noon Robert McInerney, 1st An

Teresa lynch
Patrick Murphy
Jim McInerney

5.30pm Bryan Carroll, 2nd An &

B/day Rem

Anne and Matthew Ryan

CLONBURRIS Mass Intentions

Saturday 28th September 6.30pm Lily Smith R.D.

Sunday 29th September

11.00am Bob Rumgay An.Mary Deegan An.John and Patrick Grealis An.

EXPLORING FAITH THROUGH SCRIPTURE AND ART

In this, our Year of Faith, we will explore what Faith means to us, and what impact it has on our lives. Sunday, October 6th - 1.00pm-5.00pm (including Mass) €60 Teresa Healy, Orlagh Communications 01-495-8190

"CENACOLO" COMMUNITY

Community Cenacolo is a Catholic community that helps people overcome addictions. We are based on a farm in Knock. The Community was started by an Italian nun, Mother Elvira, in 1983 and currently has 60 houses worldwide, accommodating over 2,000 people. The Community life is one of friendship, prayer and work. The young men and women live off divine providence relying on the farm produce. We are recognised by the Church as a private association of the faithful. We are a non-profit organisation and our program is completely free. If you know of anybody who is suffering from addiction and needs help please don't hesitate to contact us or visit our website.

Information meetings for addicts and family every Wednesday evening 7:30pm at St. Peter's Parish Centre Phibsboro

Damien Richardson Phone: Jean 0872687040 Damien 0860644662

Website www.CommunityCenacolo.ie

TRÓCAIRE SAYS "THANKS"

Trócaire acknowledges €3,800 – your Lenten contributions. "Your support will help some of the poorest communities in the developing world to work their way out of poverty"

CLONDALKIN HISTORY SOCIETY LECTURE

The 2013/14 lecture series commences on Monday 30th September 2013 when Newlands resident Joe Leonard speaks on the 'History of Transport in Ireland'. Áras Chrónain is the venue and the talk commences at 8pm. Admission is €5.00 (non members). Application forms for new members will be available at the lecture. All are welcome!

Padraig Murphy

MONDAY CLUB

As you all know the Irish National War Memorial Gardens at Islandbridge are dedicated to the memory of the Irish soldiers who died between 1914 – 18 in the 1st World War - and so it was last Monday morning that a small group of us paid a visit to this wonderful place. We were so lucky weather wise- beautiful blue sky and lovely sunshine that we felt truly blessed to be there in the hallowed spot which has such an air of peace and tranquillity. The roses were absolutely beautiful and the lawns were manicured to an inch. The trees were also at their very best as some were turning to gold already. We were delighted to get into two the bookrooms and to see the historic Ginchy Cross and also the signatures of Mary and Martin McAlesse and Queen Elizabeth and Philip of England.

THOUGHT FOR THE YEAR OF FAITH

One is nearer God's Heart in the Garden than anywhere else on earth!

Joan