

# **Clondalkin Village Parish** Immaculate Conception & St. Killian Church

# Clonburris # Knockmitten

## Parish Newsletter Sunday, 23rd April 2017

#### Great love can change small things into great ones...

Today is Divine Mercy Sunday. Pope John Paul II instituted the feast of Divine Mercy on April 30, 2000, which was the Second Sunday of Easter in that jubilee year. On the same occasion, the pope also fittingly canonized St. Faustina, now known as the Apostle of Divine Mercy. Extolling the love and mercy of God at her canonization Mass, Pope John Paul II proclaimed that the Second Sunday of Easter, "from now on throughout the Church will be called "Divine Mercy Sunday."

The message of mercy is nothing new, what the Church has always taught is: that God is merciful, loving and forgiving, and that we, too, must show mercy, love and forgiveness.

What we are asked to remember on this day is to reconnect, re-commit, rediscover and re-energise ourselves, our parishes, our church and our community with this good news of Mercy! The dictionary definition of mercy is - To act in a kind manner or in a good way or to forgive, someone who you are more powerful than or in a position to cause harm or injury to. As Christians, as Catholics it may be strange to think of ourselves in a position of power but we are!! What is the position of power we are in? Where does our power come from?

Our power comes from the person, life, ministry, example and teaching of Jesus. It comes from the essence of the Gospel. And this good news, the essence of the Gospel message, at its simplest and most powerful, is that, ...

We are Tryly loved

We are Tryly loveable

We can share that love with others

As St Faustina said, "Great love can change small things into great ones, and it is only love which lends value to our actions."

#### So think about it -

- We are truly loved, we were loved into existence! No matter how bad things get for us, no matter how dark things are, no matter how low we may feel - we are never alone, we are loved unconditionally! Because God is love.
- We are truly loveable even when we don't love ourselves, God loves us.
- We can share that love with others we are capable of loving, sharing that selfless love and being that love for others. We do and can make a difference! It a message everyone deserves to hear.

If we fully accepted and believed this how different would our life, parish, Church, our World & our community be? What a powerful position to be in!

This is what our faith tells us, it is the enviable and undying hope it gives us. Enjoy the Easter Season - Frank Brown, PPW



### Masses

#### **Clondalkin Village**

Sundays: (Vigil) Sat 7.30pm, Sunday 9am (Gaeilge) 10.30am (Choral), 12 noon (Family) & 5.30pm

Weekdays (Mon – Fri) 7.30am and 10am. Sat 10am First Fridays 7.30am, 10am. Holy Days 7.30pm(Vigil), 7.30am, 10am Confessions Sat 10.30 - 11am & 6.45 - 7.15pm

#### Clonburris

Sundays Sunday Holy Days

(Vigil) Sat 6.30 pm 11am 11am and 6.30pm

### Knockmitten

Sundays (Vigil) Sat 6.30pm, Sunday 10am, 12noon (Family) Weekdays Mon to Fri 9.30am Holy Days (Vigil) 6.30pm; Holy Day 11am Confessions Sat 6pm & by request

Parish Office Hours Clondalkin: Mon-Fri 9:30 - 12:30 **Clonburris:** Contact through Village Knockmitten: Mon-Fri Mass times

Submissions for Newsletter: Parishnewsletter1@gmail.com, Office, Sacristy, by Tuesday not later than 4.30pm

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On Holy Saturday, beginning at 12 noon, an empty Unit in Liffey Valley Shopping Centre became a buzz of Sacred Activity until 5:15 pm. For me, it was a new experience of Renewal and Resurrection for our Church in the local areas.

Activities began at noon with turning a large bare building into an attractive Prayer Space, adorned with a Large Cross, a huge banner of Jesus, the Good

Shepherd, a Book for Prayer Petitions, and other symbols. The catchy window Posters caught the eyes of all passersby in the Shopping Centre, inviting them to come in and avail of the Sacrament of Reconciliation. For Parents with small children, a Kiddies Corner with lots of Easter colouring activities was provided. There was an Information Table right inside the entrance where people could just drop in, have a chat and help

themselves to Children and Adult Prayer Books and lots of other information items for take-a-ways.

The main purpose of this event was realized as the six priests were kept busy for the four hours hearing confessions. Many stopped off at the Information table where I sat, to say Thank You for providing the opportunity for them to relax, pray, have a chat or a blessing and go to confession, in a busy Shopping Centre.

I thank God for our dedicated Priests, Parish Pastoral Workers and their little helpers for renewing my spirits at this time of Resurrection.

Carmel Earls, OSF, Parish Sister, Neilstown





















As Saturday 29th April is An Taisce, National Spring Clean Day in Clondalkin we are appealing to residents to

become involved in the event .We will meet in the Leisure Centre Car Park on the Old Nangor Road at 10.00am on the day, equipment, gloves, litter pickers etc. will be provided, & following the clean-up we will adjourn to the Round Tower GAA Club for light refreshments. Tommy Keogh, Hon Secretary

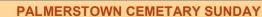


**CLONDALKIN ACTIVE RETIREMENT** 

We had Sr Mary Lyons (as I call her "Mary the Nun" which she loves,) She gave us a talk on Holistic Living which was fantastic. It's all about positive thinking and looking out for each other. The most important thing is to be kind to each

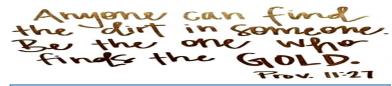
other. With Easter season here maybe we could knock on someone's door, say hi to someone who is lonely and give a smile. That's all people want! We have a very successful club with wonderful members and a great committee who are all very kind to each other, and as I say, you get more with honey than you do with vinegar. Let's wish Frank Cousins a very happy 70th birthday. A wonderful man, we wish u all the best Frank but you have to stop talking! Sorry just a joke between him and me and SDCC.

We have great things coming up, and its all for you our members. So keep your dairies in your bag for next week. Hope you had a great Easter & thank you for your support. Talk next week. Clare.





The Annual Cemetary Mass will take place this year on Sunday 18th June in Palmerstown Cemetary at 3pm. If any of our Eucharistic Ministers feel able to assist in the distribution of the Eucharist on the day, please contact Frances Gallagher on (086) 3904762. Frances is Co Chair of the Cluster of Ballyfermot, Palmerstown and Chapelizod parishes.



Monday 24th April-Miraculous Medal Novena after 10am Mass and Rosary. Tuesday 25th April-Lectio Divina under the guidance of Sr. Anne after 10am Mass in the Pastoral Centre.

**CCPC Intercessory Prayer for 9 Clondalkin** Parishes - 7.30 to 8.30pm in the Parish Pastoral

Centre (downstairs). Please join us if you can after the evening Mass.

Wednesday 26th April-Charismatic Prayer Group Our Lady Queen of Peace because of the Penitential Service taking place in the Church the Group will NOT have it's customary Eucharistic Adoration - We hope to have it at Pentecost instead Thursday 27th April-Eucharistic Adoration 8-9pm in Church



#### Hugh Hurrell,

Bernie Power, St Oliver's Pk Bernadette Geraghty, Lindisfarne Gr Myles Flynn,

Our deepest sympathies to their family and friends at this sad time.

#### Annual Clothing Appeal

Collection of unite Children

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THE COMBINED CATHOLIC PARISHES OF CLONDALKIN

Just a word of thank for you generosity and co-operation with our Annual Clothing Appeal. This year once aging the generosity has proved

outstanding. Please pass our thanks and appreciation onto your parishioners - Thank You. generous

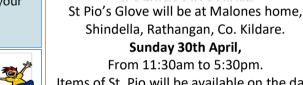
Mark O Brien, East Region Retail Manager



**CCPC Children's Prayer Book On sale Now** 

at a nominal price of eq 2to cover costs





Wed 26th April 7:30am

Saturday 22nd April -6.30pm

Sunday 23rd April-11.00am

Bridget O'Brien (An), John O'Brien (An)

Fri 28th April 10am

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Items of St. Pio will be available on the day. For info. Call Betty on 045 525094 Everyone Welcome



**Clondalkin History Society - Lecture** On Monday 24th April 2017 Eimear Ging will give an

illustrated talk entitled 'Clondalkin Heritage Trail'. The talk will take place in Aras Chronan, Watery Lane, commencing at 8 pm. Admission € 5.00 (non members). Padraig A O'Murchu

Baptized Alanna Donata Bernadette, Monksfield Lawns Sofia Emilia Gegeshidze, Roseback Pl.

**Congratulations & Welcome!** 

Looking for NEW Baptism Team Members

Did you know that our parish celebrates about 80 Baptisms every year?

This means : 80 forms have been filled out – 80 times has Anne (Parish Secretary) invited parents to come to a Baptism meeting (once a month on a Wed) - 80 families and their friends welcomed a new family member -

80 times has the Priest of this parish welcomed a child into the Christian Community!

Newly



How many of these 80 Baptisms are you going to witness this year? For me 80 Baptisms are a good reason to challenge **you**, as a parishioner of this parish – currently we

have one member of the Baptism team and I believe this parish can do better than that. I believe that you, as a baptised member of the parish of Clondalkin have three hours spare a year to become a member of the Baptism team for a year and witness the joy of the Sacrament of Baptism yourself. Training and ongoing formation will be given.

If you like to accept this challenge by 5<sup>th</sup> of May and want to know more about it – approach Christina Malone (PPW - 0857162152) or Sigle (Baptism team member 0879854373)



9am

10.30am

12noon

5.30pm

Phil Fitzpatrick (8th An),

Special Intention.

William Beesley (An)

Jim Nash (An & B'day),

Nancy O'Connell (1st An)

Willie Jnr & Joe & Paschal Nixon (An),

Paul Maher (An), Joseph Lernihan (An),

Harry & Catherine Wall (An), Peter Clynch (5th An),

Liam Callaghan (6th An) Kathleen Whitty (1st An),

Pamela Delaney (An), Peter & Kay Sherry (An)

Mary O'Shea & her mother Mary Furlong (An).

Laura Collins (B'day Rem), Catriona Dalton (An),

Pat Ryder (6th An)

Archie McEvoy (An)

Stevie Bourke (An), Yvonne Carroll (An)

Patrick Denton (An), Paddy & Jennifer O'Loughlin (An), Annie

Place (An), Deceased members of Place Family (An)

St Padres Pio's Glove

Mary & Ciaran O'Neill (An & B'day),

Mark Doyle & Bill O'loughlin (An),

