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Immaculate Conception & St. Killian Church

Clonburris  **Knockmitten**

Parish Newsletter

Sunday 17th February 2019



VALENTINES is....

a time for love
a time for celebrate life
a time to give & forgive
and a time to say a prayer for
you who touched my life

ST. Valentine's Day

How was this Valentine's day for you? Did you get or send a card! I remember as a kid waiting for the postman to see if I was going to have a good day or not! I think today its more a case of checking your inbox. Valentine's Day is commonly the busiest restaurant day of the year after Mother's Day. Couples vie with each other to share protestations of love. Primary school

children share Valentines far and wide. How did this public demonstration of love get to be associated with St. Valentine? Who was he? What might it mean for us today?

One tradition about the likely association between lovers and St. Valentine is the medieval belief that birds (*the feathered kind*) would choose their partner on his day!

Valentine is the name of two saints, one a bishop and one a priest, who were martyred in the middle of the third century and honoured on Feb. 14. The most popular tradition comes from the Medieval period that held that this particular Valentine, a priest, was marrying Christian couples in a time when the Roman emperor prohibited young men from marrying. For this crime, he was arrested and killed by the Roman government. In recent times, an addition to this story claims that Valentine, before his death, sent a love note to a young girl whom he loved, signing it, "From your Valentine." Because the facts of these lives are very sketchy, St. Valentine's Day was not included in the most recent version of the calendar of saints. Feb. 14 is now the memorial of Saints Cyril and Methodius, the apostles to the Slavs and the subject of an encyclical of Saint John Paul II. From that reference until now, St. Valentine's Day has been associated with the idea that it is a good thing for two people in love to affirm that to each other — and to tell the world too!

Although the idea that Valentine's Day is for lovers may be based on conceptions of animal behavior and a chance mention in a poem, or on the heroic priest Valentine - the actual focus on telling others that they are loved is something that emerges from a scriptural truth: God is love and we are loved! And where there is love there is God. Whether commercialized or not these days it is good to have a day when we remember to tell those who mean the most to us that they are loved, they are special and that our world would be less without them.



"I guess you can do anything you want with the Beatitudes. Some have ignored them, some have admired them and walked away, some have used them as a yardstick to measure their own blessedness, and some have used them to declare revolution. The simplest thing to do with them, perhaps, is to let them stand you on your head so that you cannot see the world again in the same way but rather the way God sees it — turned upside down by the only one who really knows which way is up." *Barbara Brown-Taylor*

Masses

Clondalkin Village

Sundays: (Vigil) Sat 6.30pm
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 6.30pm (Vigil),
7.30am and 10.00am

Confessions Sat 10.30 - 11am &
5.45pm-6.15pm

Clonburris

Sundays (Vigil) Sat 6.30 pm

Sunday 11am

Holy Days 11am and 6.30pm

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Sundays (Vigil) Sat 6.30pm

Sunday: 10.00am & 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

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CHURCH DUTY

Altar Linen: Vera Rodgers
Church Cleaners: Rebecca Duggan and Betty Byrne
Flowers: Elizabeth Mary (February)



Monday 18 February - Miraculous Medal Novena after 10am Mass and Rosary.

Tuesday 19th February - CCPC Intercessory Prayer for Clondalkin Cluster of Parishes.

Group praying in the Parish Pastoral Centre 7.30pm to 8.30pm and all welcome

Wednesday 20th February - Charismatic Prayer Group *Our Lady Queen of Peace*.

This Wednesday, in Parish Pastoral Centre at 8pm—Guest Speaker, Kathy Kelly giving a testimony. All welcome

Thursday 21st February - Adoration Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Morning: In the Church **10.45-11.45am**

Evening: In the Church **7.00 to 8.00pm** with time of Intercession for teens and young adults. All welcome

This Week



Lectio Divina, a time to contemplate Scripture, led by Sr. Anne, takes place each Tuesday in the Parish Centre after 10am Mass and Rosary.



Recently Baptised ... Welcome to;

Zara Rose Scanlon, Floraville Drive

Lily Marie Corcoran, Dunawley Drive



Tony Reynolds, Castle Close
And brothers

Brian McCurtain, formally Clondalkin who died November 18th in Canada

Raymond McCurtain, who died on the 18th December in San Francisco, Formally Clondalkin

Leo McCurtain, Dublin on January 19th

We extend our deepest sympathies and prayers to their grieving families and friends. May they Rest In Peace!
(Brian, Raymond and Leo are sons of Maurice and Aileen McCurtain, Knocknagow, Nangor Rd.)



What's so great about being poor, or hungry, or sad? On the surface, these Beatitudes of Jesus seem very strange: 'How happy are you who are poor'. Surely it is better to be wealthy, to be well fed, and to enjoy good times – or to at least be

comfortable and content?

But Jesus is not interested in comfort, or in maintaining the status quo. The Jesus of Luke's Gospel is something of a revolutionary. He has come to turn the social order on its head: last becomes first and least becomes greatest. His concern is always for the poor and marginalized.

Jesus' vision is of a world where the unjust structures that cause poverty, hunger and oppression are swept away. Sadly, as we hear on the news every day, inequalities in our world with regard to wealth, education, health and opportunities remain as stark as ever. Speaking about how we can tackle injustice today, Pope Francis has offered six 'new Beatitudes' for the modern Christian. Like the teachings of Jesus, they remind us that the task of the Christian is to tackle injustice and to act in solidarity with those on the margins of society. Pope Francis' 'new Beatitudes' include:

Blessed are those who renounce their own comfort in order to help others. Blessed are those who look into the eyes of the abandoned and marginalized and show them their closeness. Blessed are those who protect and care for our common home.

Triona Doherty

Village Church

Sunday 17th February (today)

6.30pm Michael Maloney, Sheila Barry, Ella Bennett, (1st An), Brigid Power, Ita O'Gorman, Norah and Tom McHugh, James Egan

10.30am Belinda and James Fitzsimons, Mona Nash (2nd An), Bill and Paddy Dennis and deceased members of Dennis Family

12 noon Maisie Delaney (An) Tom Delaney (Rem), Brian Lucas (An), Breda Doyle (An)

5:30pm Mary Melody (MM), Brendan Kilmartin (MM)

Mon 18th Feb 7:30am Mary Josephine Maguire
10am Peadar Kinane (Rem)

Tues 19th Feb 7.30am Vera McDonphy
10am Paddy and Kathleen Duggan (An)

Sat 23rd Feb 10am John and Mary O'Neill (An)
Sun 24th Feb

6.30pm Sean and Bunnie Stynes (An), Margaret Ledwidge (1st An) Michael McDermott (An) and Bridie McDermot, Shane Coughlane (An), Annette Connor Edward and Mary Corrigan

10.30am Denis and Nora Minogue, George Walsh (An)
12 noon Marian Doyle (1st An), Claire Mooney (An)

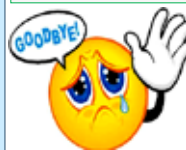
Clonburris

Saturday 16th February

6.30pm Nancy Heffernann, Patrick Blackburn and deceased members of Blackburn Family
Ella Nolan (10th An), Michael Maloney

Sunday 17th February

11.00am Marie Sullivan (4th An)



All are invited to join with the parishioners and community of Srúleen Parrish to "A Farewell Mass" next Sunday, 24th Feb at 6.30pm in Srúleen Church to wish Fr. Pearse well on his new assignment to London.

We are sorry to see him go but our loss is London's gain. Fr. Pearse, we will miss you!

PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2019

Date: 12th to 17th May (5 nights)

Price: €745 pps (single room €160 extra)

Deposit: €100 per person—non refundable

Spiritual Director: Fr/ Shan O Cuiv

Reduction of €50 holds for now but can be withdrawn soon for all who books and pays their deposit as soon as possible.

Contact Joe 087 6820 338 Margaret 086 3069 198



"This is the only mosaic in the Church and must have been precious to the priest who built the Church." Photo sent to us by Eddie Byrne of this Mosaic of the Sacred Heart Altar on the right hand side of the Church.

How often have I passed by it without giving it a second glance?

It is beautiful and all the pieces are in perfect condition in spite of the passage of time!



Accord is the National Marriage Care agency of the Irish Church. Its Dublin Branch is based in the Dublin Central Office at Harcourt Street. Accord Dublin have 12 centres situated around the Diocese and provide a marriage counselling service for couples, a fertility service as well as pre-marriage and personal development courses. To fund these services they depend on the support and generosity of people of the Diocese. The SHARE collection today at all Masses is replaced by a collection in aid of ACCORD.



Monday Club 11 February 2019

There was a good crowd in the club this morning. Welcome to Sean, a gentleman who reads the newsletter and came in to see what goes on. He joined us for a cuppa and told us he plays guitar and sings. Great, he can be on our entertainment list at a future date.

We had a birthday girl present too. Bernadette Cleary was celebrating her birthday. We wish you a very happy birthday and peace, health and happiness in the year ahead.

Claire Morrissey from South Dublin County Council came in for a visit to tell us of the forthcoming Bealtaine Festival. This is an annual festival held each year throughout South Dublin promoting different events throughout the month of May for the young at heart. The Monday Club have taken part in competitions for arts and crafts with them and many of us have been lucky to win prizes. There is a lot of talent in the club.

There are great artists, knitters and crochet, and bakers among us which is wonderful. We hope to participate again this year.

Sean Browne spoiled us again this morning. When I arrived into the centre there was a big box on the table with Monday Club written on it. It was full up of various cakes e.g pecan pies, apple cakes and pastry slices.

Thanks a million Sean for the cakes. You are too generous and kind. Thank You Sean. You are amazing.

Next week I think the "Localise" are coming to celebrate St Valentine's Day with us. Until next week take care.

Kathleen R



Round Tower GAA Club will host a fundraising Gaelic Football match on Thursday 21st February in aid of The Sean Cox Fund. The Eugene Garrigan Memorial Tournament will be played between Round Tower footballers and the Irish Prison Service, with all funds raised from the event going towards the Fund.

The match will be played at 8pm at Round Tower playing pitches, Monastery Road, Clondalkin.

Sean, a Clondalkin native, was seriously injured in an unprovoked assault while attending a soccer match in Liverpool. He is a former Round Tower player and former Executive Member. He is undergoing an intensive program of rehabilitation and will continue to require ongoing and intensive long-term care and support. Ahead of the match, the GAA Club will also place collection boxes around Clondalkin village to enable people contribute to the fundraising drive.

Ed O'Malley, Round Tower GAA Club Chairman states: "Sean grew up in Clondalkin and represented the club for many years in a playing capacity and also at Executive level. He still retains a very close connection with the Clondalkin community, with family still living here. We hold great appreciation for the excellent contribution he made to our club on and off the playing pitches. We are very grateful to the family of our late friend Eugene Garrigan who are fully supportive of his second memorial tournament raising funds to support Sean's rehabilitation. The match presents an opportunity for us as a club and the wider Clondalkin community to show our solidarity with and support for Sean and the Cox family."

Michael McGlynn, Round Tower GAA Club PRO.

Contact at 087 9082970.



2019 Divine Mercy Conference

RDS. Saturday 23rd and Sunday 25th Feb

Theme: "let us not be put to the Test—MT6:13"

Speakers: Fr. Hayden Williams, OFM

Fr. Eunan McDonnell

Fr. Brendan Walsh (*who will lead the healing Service on Saturday night*)

Dr. Diarmuid Martin, Archbishop of Dublin

Fr. Patrick Cahill

Niamh Ni Bhroin, Pro life

Tickets €35 week-end,

Sat €30 and Sunday €20, available from 22 Castle Grove, Clondalkin, Dublin 22 or through PayPal.



We're coming together Saturday night to collect for the "Support Sean Cox" within local pubs in the village. The collection is being organised ahead of the fundraiser match we are playing on 21st February. We need volunteers to help us. The

collection will start at 9pm and we expect to be done by 10.30pm. If you can support please text club secretary:

Padraig McCarthy at 087 9067924.

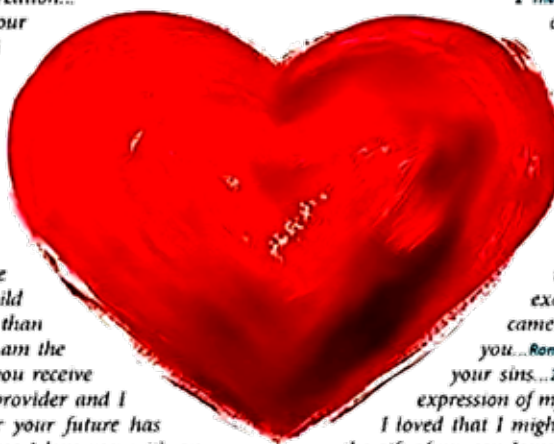
Let's get behind Clondalkin native Seán's rehabilitation.

A Valentines' message to you. This Valentine's I want you to truly know...

You may not know me, but I know everything about you...Psalm 139:1 I know when you sit down and when you rise up...Psalm 139:2 I am familiar with all your ways...Psalm 139:3 Even the very hairs on your head are numbered...Matthew 10:29-31 For you were made in my image...Genesis 1:27 In me you live and move and have your being...Acts 17:28 For you are my offspring...Acts 17:28 I knew you even before you were conceived...Jeremiah 1:45 I chose you when I planned creation...Ephesians 1:11-12 You were not a mistake, for all your days are written in my book...Psalm 139:15-16 I determined the exact time of your birth and where you would live...Acts 17:26 You are fearfully and wonderfully made...Psalm 139:14 I knit you together in your mother's womb...Psalm 139:13 And brought you forth on the day you were born...Psalm 71:6 I have been misrepresented by those who don't know me...John 8:41-44 I am not distant and angry, but am the complete expression of love...1 John 4:16 And it is my desire to lavish my love on you...1 John 3:1 Simply because you are my child and I am your Father...1 John 3:1 I offer you more than your earthly Father ever could...Matthew 7:11 For I am the perfect Father...Matthew 5:48 Every good gift that you receive comes from my hand...James 1:17 For I am your provider and I meet all your needs...Matthew 6:31-33 My plan for your future has always been filled with hope...Jeremiah 29:11 Because I love you with an everlasting love...Jeremiah 31:3 My thoughts toward you are as countless as the sands on the seashore...Psalm 139:17-18 And I rejoice over you with singing...Zephaniah 3:17 I will never stop doing good to you...Jeremiah 32:40 For you are my treasured possession...Exodus 19:5 I desire to establish you

with all my heart and all my soul...Jeremiah 32:41 And I want to show you great and marvellous things...Jeremiah 33:3 If you seek me with all your heart, you will find me...Deuteronomy 4:29 Delight in me and I will give you the desires of your heart...Psalm 37:4 For it is I who gave you those desires...Philippians 2:13 I am able to do more for you than you could possibly imagine...Ephesians 3:20 For I am your greatest encourager...

2 Thessalonians 2:16-17 I am also the Father who comforts you in all your troubles...2 Corinthians 1:3-4 When you are broken hearted, I am close to you...Psalm 34:18 As a shepherd carries a lamb, I have carried you close to my heart...Isaiah 40:11 One day I will wipe away every tear from your eyes...Revelation 21:3-4 And I'll take away all the pain you have suffered on this Earth...Revelation 21:3-4 I am your Father, and I love you even as I love my son, Jesus...John 17:23 For in Jesus, my love for you is revealed...John 17:26 He is the exact representation of my being...Hebrews 1:3 He came to demonstrate that I am for you, not against you...Romans 8:31 And to tell you that I am not counting your sins...2 Corinthians 5:18-19 His death was the ultimate expression of my love for you...1 John 4:10 I gave up everything I loved that I might gain your love...Romans 8:31-32 If you receive the gift of my son Jesus, you receive me...1 John 2:23 And nothing will ever separate you from my love again...Romans 8:38-39 Come home and I'll throw the biggest party heaven has ever seen...Luke 15:7 I have always been Father, and will always be Father...Ephesians 3:14-15 My question is...Will you be my child?...John 1:12-13 I am waiting for you...Luke 15:11-32



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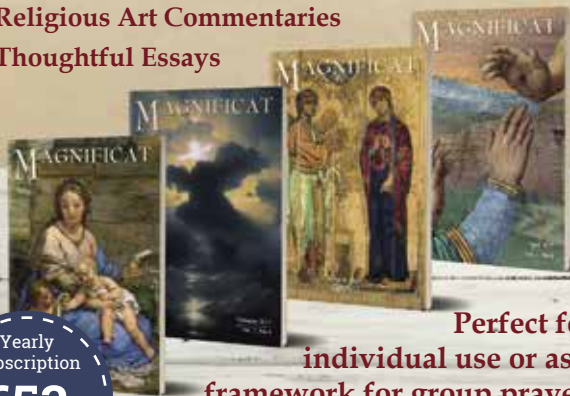
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