



Clondalkin Village Parish

Immaculate Conception & St. Killian Church

Clonburris  **Knockmitten**

Parish Newsletter

Sunday 24th February 2019



It ain't much,
but it's all I got.

It's all I
ever wanted



THE GOLDEN RULE OF LOVE

No command of Jesus is more debated and considered more difficult to keep than the Golden Rule of love. To-day's Gospel reading takes us to the best remembered teachings of Jesus and to how we, as His followers, should act. It advises what to do rather than what not to do. Our natural tendency when accused or attacked is to protest and attack back, to return one angry word with another, one blow with another.

Jesus suggests another way to act. No more is it to be "an eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth" but "love, do good, bless and pray for those who treat you badly". In place of the natural impulse to revenge we are to practice forgiveness, generous giving, liberal lending and kind treatment of all without exception. We are to be compassionate like our Father in heaven who will reward by "pouring gifts into your lap".

But how can we do what is expected of us? St. Paul suggests "Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus" (Philippians 2:3).

How do we put on the mind of Christ? How do we see through his eyes? How do we learn to respond to events with the same compassionate, healing love? God our Father, who is "kind to the ungrateful and the wicked", is our model.

Jesus, during his time on earth, saw no separation between God and human beings, and between humans and humans. Underlying all he did and said was love of the Father and love of all people. St. Thomas Aquinas once defined love as "willing the good of the other". St. Paul wrote "without love I am nothing at all". The gospels tell us that Jesus went about doing good. His death on the cross was an act of self-emptying love.

To-day's gospel challenges us. The words of the psalm encourage us:

"God does not treat us according to our faults and failings, He has pity on those who try to do what is right"

Sr. Anne



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

Knockmitten

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

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CHURCH DUTY

Altar Linen: Mary Jenkins

Church Cleaners: Veronica Bayly, Bernardine Wynne, Tracy Whelan, Josephine Hearty

Flowers: Elizabeth Mary (February)



Monday 25th February - Miraculous Medal Novena after 10am Mass and Rosary.

Tuesday 26th February - CCPC Intercessory Prayer for Clondalkin Cluster of Parishes.

This Tuesday Group praying in Parish Pastoral Centre **7.30pm-8.30pm**. All welcome.

Wednesday 27th February - Charismatic Prayer Group

Our Lady Queen of Peace. This Wednesday, in Parish Pastoral Centre. **7.30pm Missionary Rosary. 8pm Prayer Meeting**. All welcome.

Thursday 28th February - Adoration Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

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

Evening: In the Sisters' Oratory **7 to 8pm**. All welcome.

Friday 1st March

First Friday, All Masses are offered for all on the Parish Altar List of the Dead

Saturday 2nd March

Fatima Devotions after 10am Mass.

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.

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

Contact Joe (087 6820 338) or

Margaret (086 3069 198)

€50 reduction is still in operation so please book as soon as possible



Clara Kearns, Cherrywood Crescent
Patrick Lovett, Cherrywood Crescent
Sandra Kelly, Thornfield Square
Mary O'Reilly, St. Anthony's

We remember their families and friends at this time.



To all who sympathized with me, sent Mass Cards, attended the funeral, offered words of comfort and helped in any way on the death of my sister Bridget Leonard who died on the 15th Dec. In appreciation

Mass has been offered for all your intentions. Kitty Egan

The Pioneer Total Abstinence Society will meet on **Friday 1st March** at 10.45am in the Parish Pastoral Centre.

St. Joseph's Young Priests Society will meet on **Wednesday 27th February** at 10.45am in the Parish Pastoral Centre. New members welcome



CASA Church Gate Collection

Caring & Sharing Association
 Supporting People with Disabilities

The Church Gate collection this weekend is in aid of CASA - Caring and Sharing Association. CASA is a volunteer led organisation developing friendships between volunteers and adults and children with physical, intellectual and sensory disabilities through Social Events, Activities and our Lourdes Pilgrimage. All our activities are in a one-to-one pairing, lending strength and support to all that we do, enabling people to get the most out of everything that they do with CASA. The collection this weekend is in aid of all our CASA Activities.

Please support our collection. Thank you.

Village Church

Sunday 24th February

6.30pm Vigil; Seán & Bunnie Stynes (An)

Margaret Ledwidge (1st An),

Michael McDermott (An) & Bridie McDermott,

Shane Coughlan (An), Annette Connor,

Edward & Mary Corrigan (An)

10.30am Denis & Nora Minogue,

Peggy Moore (1st An), George Walsh (An)

12noon: Marian Doyle (1st An),

Michael & Claire Mooney (An),

Nuala Meskell (1st An), *Late of Castleview*

5.30pm: Gintas Alionis (14th An),

Rita Hanly (MM)

Monday 25th February

10.00am Michael & Mary Lacey (An)

Wednesday 27th February

10:00am Edward & Mary Skerrett (Bd & An)

Thursday 28th February

7.30am Teresa Cahill (5th An)

10.00am Michael & Mary Lacey (An)

Sunday 3rd March

6.30pm Vigil Sarah Delaney (8th An)

10.30am: Anne & John Connolly (An),

Bridie Naughton, David O'Sullivan (B'day Rem),

Teresa Cahill (5th An)



Clonburris

Sat 23rd February @ 6.30pm

Glen Kavanagh (An)

Sunday 24th February @ 11.00am

Anthony O'Brien (An), David O'Doherty (An),

Edward Gleeson (An)



In response to the photo in last week's Newsletter:

"There is a plaque on the back of the magnificent Sacred Heart altar in our church - it reads: "Erected to the memory of Zillah Elizabeth Harton Bracken and her near relatives". Googling

this name brings up the information that such a person lived from 1839 to 1903 with an address at Terenure Road, and Glasnevin cemetery records her death on 31st December 1903, with burial in plot no. 987. It would be fascinating to discover more about this lady whose magnificent memorial has graced our church for many years.

Anne Cahill.



Our Local River illustrated Talk by "Friends of the Camac" on Monday 25th February in Aras Chronain, Irish Cultural Centre, Watery Lane at 8pm. Admission €5 non members. Josephine Byrne

"Heaven and Earth are full of His Glory"

Photo of Super Snow Moon in the sky Monday and Tuesday and captured by Eddie Byrne. It is called Super Snow Moon historically by Native

American tribes because this time the heaviest snow falls occur. A super moon

is when the moon is at its closest orbit to earth and it's definitely worth seeing. The photo even though spectacular doesn't capture the beautiful colours that surrounded the moon when it was at its largest.



love your enemies
 and you won't have any



Our World Youth Day Experience (Panama 2019)

"I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart; I will tell of all your wonderful deeds." - Ps 9:1

World Youth Day in Panama was such a blessed experience.

To see a million other young People in the same place as you, celebrating the same faith, united and gathered as one in our Lord Jesus will always be an unforgettable experience for me. I Thank God for this once in a lifetime experience.

With a group of 30 people we embarked on this pilgrimage, not knowing what to expect. The Journey was long and tiring. When we reached Panama, the welcome that we got from our host parish of Santiago Apostol made us all forget about our tiredness and worries. The people in the parish were so welcoming. They really got out of their comfort zone to welcome us into their parish. Not only the parish, but Panama as a nation put in all their effort to welcome around a million pilgrims for this World Youth Day.

The first few days we got to know the parish. One particular day was set apart as Mercy Day, where we went out into the parish and helped those in need around the area.

The World Youth Day Festival started with a fabulous opening ceremony. There, we kind of got an idea of how massive of an event this was, and how joyful and full of zeal everyone was. I met so many people, and everyone, was full of Joy and this Joy was contagious. That day we had beautiful mass with a really inspiring homily, and a very uplifting concert.

The next few days were followed by catechesis in our local parishes. They really opened our eyes in some particular aspects of our faith, like how to evangelize in our everyday lives.

The arrival of the pope in Panama made an instant impact on the city and the atmosphere, as it got a lot busier, but a lot more vibrant. All the young people, especially those from South America, were always so energetic, always praising the Lord with instruments and singing. There was a great sense of Unity between everyone, even with all the language barriers.

The Way of the Cross was a really deep and beautiful experience for me. The next day, we had the main highlight of the pilgrimage - the Vigil with the Pope. We had the most amazing Eucharistic Adoration followed by a very beautiful rosary - both of which really touched a lot of hearts that day. That night we slept in that ground.

The next we were woken up early by very lively music and preparation for the final mass to be led by Pope Francis. This was an amazing Holy Mass, with so many Priests and Bishops alongside our Holy Father. It was beautiful to see so many priests. And it was all the more beautiful to see a million young people, all of them having dared to say Yes to God in their own way.

One thing that Pope

Francis told the young was to not be afraid to stand up for our faith in our everyday life, because we are not alone, we are all united as one in Jesus. This was really inspirational for me and also the message that I took home with me.

I thank God for his protection over the group from Ireland, keeping us safe in both our travels and in our stay in Panama. We also thank each and every one in the Clondalkin Parish for their generosity and valuable prayers. Thank You and God Bless.

Jacob (Jacob is a regular Mass Server in our Church)



'If I could explain this whole pilgrimage in one word I would say: **life-changing**. I'm grateful and happy that I said yes to going to this pilgrimage. It made me open my eyes more on the Lord and It showed me that Panama people are so welcoming and nice. I got to learn about different countries and see all the young Catholics around the world and it showed me I'm not alone. I really enjoyed the pilgrimage and want to thank everyone in the diocese who has supported me and the new friends that I have made from the Ireland team. I'm really praying that I will have the chance to attend Portugal 2022. Remember **Dare to say Yes!**'

Mercy (Mercy is a local parishioner)

Monday Club 18 February 2019

We had a very busy time in the club this morning. We had the "Localise" young boys and girls in to entertain and feed us. They were busy all morning decorating and making preparations to celebrate St Valentine's Day with us. They had lovely heart shaped origami hearts decorating the walls, bunting and streamers and table decorations, all to create a brilliant atmosphere.

They also had a bakery full of cakes, scones, biscuits, chocolate topped queen cakes and much more than I can remember.

We had a few guests too who came in to enjoy and take part in the festivities. We had Mary Leonard's two grandsons, Alex and sorry I can't remember the other little boy's name. We had Mary Farrell's grand-daughter Grace, Fran, Sr Kathleen, Helen and Teresa from Tullamore who comes to the club

when she is up visiting her daughter. Teresa was celebrating her birthday today. We wish her good health and happiness in the year ahead.

After the feast of cakes, photographs were taken with an instamatic camera. Emma had jewelry equipment with her where various boxes of beads and gems were distributed on each of the tables



and people made their own necklaces and bracelets. There were some really beautiful designs indeed. Cecelia made a beautiful necklace which was an excellent match for the outfit she was wearing. Alex and his little brother made a necklace for his mam and a bracelet for grandmother Mary. It was such a lovely morning with the young people. We are indebted to them for taking the time to come and make such a lot of preparation and interact so well with all of us. They are such lovely young people and as some of them are entering their final stages of secondary education and others in the first years of college, I am sure our future will be safe. Those young people are our future. "Thank You all" again and also to Debbie their leader.

Mary Brennan is running a trip to Claremorris Co Mayo on Sunday 28 April to Wednesday 1 May. Those interested bookings and deposits to be paid. This can be done directly with Mary Brennan, Noreen King or in the Monday Club. Until next week take care.

Kathleen R

(Gerry and Noreen were on hand to capture the scene)





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