



# Clondalkin Village Parish

*Immaculate Conception & St. Killian Church*

**Clonburris**  **Knockmitten**

Parish Newsletter

**Sunday 10th March 2019**



Today I am sharing my Lenten challenge of opening up and receiving God's love and mercy. After an amazing experience in Panama when I experienced God's mercy and healing through the sacrament of reconciliation I have been strengthened to take on lent in a new way this year. I am being honest right now the Sacrament of

reconciliation had been the one I struggled the most with over the past number years. I thought I could sort it out myself and didn't need it. How wrong I was. During my time in Panama where I was blessed with God's presence in many different ways I woke up one Friday morning in the need of God's mercy. I needed healing. The WYD challenged everyone on a different level and one of my challenges was to accept I am human. I have made mistakes. I disappointed people. I let them down. I am only as strong as God helps me to be. That Friday morning I knew it was time to confess, to acknowledge, to be honest, to let go of my weakness, of my challenges, of my mistakes. I arrived inside the church took a deep breath and sat down. I was confused and froze. I couldn't remember anything not even the prayer... all I did was cry and explain my need of God's healing and mercy. I sat and cried. The priest just sat with me in silence. After a while we prayed together. After a few minutes in prayer I got up and received an honest warm-hearted hug and a "God bless you".

I walked away leaving the old, broken Christina behind. What was left was a Christina filled with God's mercy and love. The new Christina smiled, an honest one. I was happy and grateful for the experience... why am I sharing this with you? Lent as we all know is a time to reconnect with God. To give up "things" that hinder us from loving God back or being the person he wants us to be. But lent is also a time to take on a new challenge like praying more often, be more present... the bible is full of stories where people reached a point in their lives where they needed to turn around. Mary Magdalene, Zacchaeus, the prodigal son, ... none of them were forced to change they just knew deep down it was time to confess - to let go - to go home - to take responsibilities for their actions. And what they experienced next was a God that welcome them back with an open heart. Not judging, not a point finger or an angry reaction... just the God we believe in - a God of love.

Maybe this lent is your time to confess, to let go, to come home. All I can say is try it... don't be afraid just do it. It and you are worth it... your smile afterwards will be radiant ... I know because I experienced it..

Christina Malone Parish Pastoral Worker



## 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

## Parish Office Hours

**Clondalkin:** Mon-Fri 9:30 - 12:30

**Clonburris:** Contact through Village

**Knockmitten:** Mon-Fri Mass times

## Submissions for Newsletter:

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## CHURCH DUTY

Altar Linen: Mary Leonard  
Church Cleaners: Rita Arnold

Thank  
you

**Monday 11th March - Miraculous Medal Novena** after 10am Mass and Rosary.  
**Tuesday 12th March - CCPC Intercessory Prayer** for Clondalkin Cluster of Parishes. This Tuesday Intercessory Prayer Group meeting in Parish Pastoral Centre **8.00 to 8.30pm**. All welcome.  
**Wednesday 13th March - Charismatic Prayer Group** *Our Lady Queen of Peace*. This Wednesday, in Parish Pastoral Centre **8.00pm Prayer Meeting**. All welcome.  
**Thursday 14th March - Adoration Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**  
*Morning: In the Church 10.45-11.45am*  
*Evening: In the Church 8.00 to 8.30pm*. 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.

## PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2019

*There are still some places available. Please book as soon as possible if interested in joining.*  
*For those already booked, the balance of payment is due by 17th March.*

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**Margaret (086 3069 198)**

## Recently Deceased

**MICHAEL ANNETT**, Lealand Drive

*We remember his family and friends at this time.*

The Archdiocese of Dublin Pilgrimage to Knock 2019 takes place on **Saturday 27th April** from 11.00am to 4.30pm and will be led by Archbishop Diarmuid Martin.  
All enquiries to  
[knockpilgrimage@dublindiocese.ie](mailto:knockpilgrimage@dublindiocese.ie)

## HAPPY 50th BIRTHDAY SCOIL AINE

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Celebrations on **Saturday 23rd March**  
12.00 to 3.00pm  
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The pupils from Scoil Áine will be present at the 10am Mass on Friday 15th March.

The local Conference of St. Vincent de Paul will hold their monthly collection after all Masses this weekend. **Please give generously.**

Novena to St. Joseph begins tomorrow, Monday 11th to 18th March. Novena prayers - available on the day - will be prayed at all Masses.

## Village Church

**Sunday 10th March**

**6.30pm Vigil:** Peter Fitzgerald & dec'd family members, Gretta Priest (9th An)  
**10.30am:** John & Eleanor Coogan (An) & dec'd members of the Coogan family, Carmel Maguire (An),  
**12noon:** Eleanor Goodwin (1st An), Kathleen Dillon (1st An) and Bob & Robbie Dillon whose anniversaries occur, Brendan Kelly (4th An), Oliver Grace & dec'd members of the Grace family, John Power (MM)

**Tuesday 12th March**

**7.30am** Special Intention

**Sunday 17th March Feast of St. Patrick**

**6.30pm Vigil:** Mary O'Reilly (MM), Michael & Eileen O'Connor (An), Patrick Lovett (MM), James Gaffney (MM), his wife Margaret Gaffney (An) & dec'd members of Hayden and Murphy families, Elizabeth Shields (MM)  
**9.00am:** Billy Hogan (An)  
**10.30am:** Padraig Doyle (B'day Rem), Jack & Katie Fitzgerald & dec'd family members and Patrick and Mary Cosgrove & dec'd family members, Gretta Gallagher (Rem), Paddy Murray (B'day Rem), Leonard & Nan Hanna (An)  
**12noon** Mary & Brendan O'Riordan (An)

## Clonburris

**Saturday:**

**6.30pm Rose & Peter Grealis (An)**  
Eddie McNulty (MM), Sabina Donoghue (An)

**Sunday 10th March**

**11.00am** Joseph Markey (An)



On Wednesday 13th March, the children from Our Lady Queen of the Apostles National School will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation at 11.00am in Clonburris church.

We wish them all God's blessing and a wonderful celebration together with their parents and families on this very special occasion.



You will notice the starkness and unadorned Lenten Garden representing life far away from God. The banner reminds us to return home and leave aside anything that is making the invitation difficult for us. Your intention can be written on the cards provided and hung on the tree.

On Easter morning the garden will be aglow with colour and delight.

**Please Note:** in addition to the morning Masses there will an evening Mass at 7.30pm during the weekdays.











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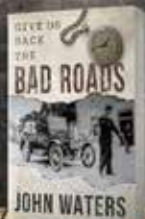
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