



Clondalkin Village Parish

Immaculate Conception & St. Killian Church

Clonburris  **Knockmitten**

Parish Newsletter

Sunday 7th April 2019



'All I can say is that I forget the past and I strain ahead...' (Phil 3:13)



These poignant words taken from today's first and second readings provide the perfect preamble to our dramatic Gospel reading. Perhaps the line that is most often quoted from the story of the woman caught in adultery is Jesus' challenge to the crowd who bring her before them: 'If there is one of you who has not sinned, let him be the first to throw a stone at her.' It is a challenge to all of us to look inward before we 'cast stones' to judge others.

But there is another equally powerful statement here by Jesus, this time to the woman herself. It is delivered quietly, when she is left alone with Jesus after all her accusers have drifted away: 'Neither do I condemn you. Go away, and don't sin any more.' We notice that Jesus doesn't rake over the woman's past. He doesn't ask her about the claims of her accusers. He does not condemn or criticize her. Instead He accepts her, loves her, treats her with the respect and dignity that was so lacking in the mob, and gently nudges her forward into a new way of living.

Triona Doherty



Look for "YOURSELF" and you will find in the long run only hatred, loneliness, despair, rage, ruin and decay. But look for CHRIST and you will find Him and with Him everything else is thrown in. C. S. Lewis

To prepare for Easter spiritually the Sacrament of Reconciliation is available every Saturday during Lent as follows;

After the 10.00am Mass
Between 3.00 and 4.00pm
From 6.00 to 6.25pm before the
Vigil Mass and after Mass.
In addition to the morning Masses
during weekdays there is
Mass at 7.30pm.



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

During Lent Mass at 7.30pm
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

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Clonburris: Contact through Village

Knockmitten: Mon-Fri Mass times

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CHURCH DUTY

Altar Linen: Teresa Coyne
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Monday 8th April - Miraculous Medal

Novena after 10am Mass and Rosary.

Tuesday 9th April - CCPC Intercessory

Prayer for Clondalkin Cluster of Parishes.

This Tuesday Intercessory Prayer Group meeting in Parish Pastoral

Centre **8.00 to 8.30pm** (after evening Mass). Please try to join us for half hour of prayers for the needs of the community. All welcome.

Wednesday 10th April - Charismatic Prayer Group

Our Lady Queen of Peace. This Wednesday, in Parish Pastoral Centre **8.00pm Prayer Meeting.** All welcome.

Thursday 11th April - Adoration

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Morning: In the Sisters' Oratory **10.45-11.45am**

Evening: In the Church **8.00 to 8.30pm.**

All welcome. (**Note:** Next 1st Thursday *Hour of Prayer* is Thursday 2nd May))

This Week



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

Monday Club 01 April 2019

We had a nice crowd in the club this morning. We congratulated Anne Padden on her wedding anniversary today and wished her and her husband all the best for the future.

Today we welcomed Don Devaney to the club. Don is a parishioner of the Clondalkin parish and was ordained a permanent deacon last June. Don told us of the role of the deacon and the process of becoming one. It is a long road of study and preparation for this role in the church. There are two types of deacon, one is the stage where a priest becomes deacon before ordination, and the other is permanent deacon where a married man becomes a deacon but cannot go for ordination, hence permanent deacons. Single men can also become permanent deacons. The role of deacon is many and varied within its ministry e.g. baptism of children, and funeral and marriage services are just some of the roles. There is a severe shortage of priests. Many priests are in the upper age bracket trying to keep going, together with a decline in vocations, we may have to rely more and more on deacons to carry out services that were done by priests. As I was sitting listening to Don speak of deacons I could not help but remember my late husband Pat putting forward a motion of ordained deacons in the church many years ago. At the time the idea of deacons was new and the idea was not very well received by some priests, but I am glad to see now that that seed was sown and has come to fruition. I could nearly hear him say "it will come to pass some day" and that day has come. Pat was an active member of the Knights of St Columbanus until his death and was elected delegate at all the supreme annual meetings for many years.

"Thank You Don" for taking the time to come this morning and talk to us. We congratulate you and wish you all God's blessing in this very important role you have signed up to. Thank you Joan, Collette, Stephen and Martin for setting tables, teas etc. and you all for coming and making the morning so pleasant for everyone. We finished up with Don reciting the Angelus.

To anyone who is missing through illness e.g. Maureen Rutledge and Kay O'Neill, we miss you and wish you all a speedy recovery and hopefully we will see you back in the club in the near future. Until next week take care.

Kathleen R.



The pupils of St. Joseph's Boys School will be in attendance at the 10am Mass on Thursday 11th April.

Village Church

Sunday 7th April

6.30pm Vigil: Mary O'Shea (An) & her mother Mary Furlong (An), Trisha Brennan (1st An), Dermot Hegarty (B'day Rem), Michael Jones (1st An), Richard Connolly (6th An)

10.30am: Bellie & Josie Broderick, Sadie Loughnane (10th An)

12noon: Evelyn McGrillen (15th An), Christina Murray (An), Patrick Coby (30th An), Andrew White (An)

Monday 8th April

7.30am Timothy & Elizabeth Kehoe (An)

11th April:

10.00am Peter Johnston (5th An)

Friday 12th April

7.30am Timothy & Elizabeth Kehoe (An)

Sunday 14th April

6.30pm Vigil: Phil Fitzpatrick (10th An), Rita O'Sullivan (B'day Rem), Greta Gallagher (Rem)

10.30am Tony Tighe (An)

12noon Liam Callaghan (8th An & B'day Rem) Bernard Sheridan (An)

Tommy Keegan (10th An & B'day Rem)

Clonburris

Saturday 6th April

6.30pm: Con & Mary O'Sullivan

Sunday 7th April

11.00am: Florrie Herlihy (An), Neil Hanlon (B'day Rem)



Coláiste Bride Parents' Council

are holding a fundraising Bingo Night on 11th April at 8pm sharp in the Round Towers GAA Club. Funds raised will be given towards the schools Bursary, which enables a student(s) to cover some costs as they move on to third level education or apprenticeship. All are welcome to attend bingo and enjoy a night of fun and lots of prizes.

Alternatively if you own a business in the community or can personally help, by sponsoring a game, making a donation or providing a spot prize please email the parents council at

parentscouncil@colasitebride.com or the school at info@colasitebride.com

There will be a Church Gate collection after all Masses this weekend, 6th & 7th April for Ethiopia. Please support this worthy cause



The local Conference will be leaving bags for donations of used clothing in good condition on **Sunday 7th April.** These will be collected on the following **Sunday, 14th April.**

What is Heads Up?

Heads Up is a programme for men who are stressed and need support with employment. If you are motivated to change, are over 18, living in South County Dublin and available to participate, you can sign up. This free programme & provides: Mental Health Education/Personal Training/Progression to Employment, Training or Education/Social Supports and a bit of craic.

Registration date is 24th April at 2.00pm.

For more information about the programme, contact

Catherine Mooney, Mental Health Coordinator
on 087 247 0464



Scoil Áine Celebrating 50 Years of Education 1969-2019

A big
"Thank You"
to everyone who
attended



Scoil Áine's **50th Birthday celebrations**. On Thursday 21st March we held a ceremony for the Presentation Sisters to acknowledge their wonderful work in bringing education to Clondalkin. We were fortunate to have many of the Sisters join us on the day, along with Fr. Damian, members of our Board of Management, Parent Council, past teachers and Principals from our neighbouring schools. A beautiful ceremony culminated in the dedication of a new mural of Nano Nagle to the Presentation Sisters, followed by the sweet sound of all our pupils singing 'Who Will Light the Lantern?' in one uplifting voice of pride. We are in the most fortunate of circumstances in having all three Principals of Scoil Áine still with us, and it was a moment to cherish as Sr. Pius, Miss Bolger and Mrs. Beattie received bouquets of flowers from pupils and stood side by side, witnesses to the joy and community spirit that was in abundance that day.

Saturday 23rd March was the school's '**Birthday Party**' and, blessed with the most perfect weather, we were quite overwhelmed with the astonishing crowds that turned out on the day. All the weeks of preparation and hard work on the part of the Staff, Parent Council and pupils paid off and the day was a great success! How wonderful it was to see so many past pupils and past staff arriving to see how the school has grown over the years! Room 2 was a veritable hive of activity as people searched through old Roll Books and photos, hoping to spot themselves or some familiar faces! How heart-warming it was to see our current pupils enjoying so many treats- bouncy castles, face painting, candyfloss and ice-cream to name but a few! The pupils once again sang with pride and our Irish Dancers put on quite a show! We are so grateful to all who purchased raffle tickets and of course to the many local businesses who generously donated their services. Pupils' projects and Commemorative items such as a tea towel and large wall hanging were admired by all and will be a reminder of this wonderful celebration for many years to come. Míle Buíochas daoibh go léir! **Karen McKevitt**



Pictured: Mr. Ronan Leydon, (Chairperson), Sr. Pius O'Neill (First Principal), Mrs. Marie Beattie (Current Principal), Ms. Carmel Bolger (Past Principal), Sr. Concepta O'Brien (NEP Leadership Team).



When you walk into the church today you are faced with all the statues and crucifixes covered in purple and wonder why. It seems strange that during the most sacred time of year we cover everything that is beautiful in the church. Shouldn't we be looking at the painful scene at Calvary while we listen to the Passion narrative on Palm Sunday?

First of all, we use veils to alert us of the special time that we are in. When we walk into church and notice everything is covered, we immediately know that something is different. These last two weeks of Lent are meant to be a time of immediate preparation for the Sacred Triduum and these veils are a forceful reminder to get ready.

Secondly, the veils focus our attention on the words being said at Mass. When we listen to the Passion narrative, our senses are allowed to focus on the striking words from the Gospel and truly enter into the scene.

Third, the Church uses veils to produce a heightened sense of anticipation for Easter Sunday. This is further actualized when you attend daily Mass and see the veils each day. You don't want them to be there because they are hiding some very beautiful images. And therein lies the whole point: the veils are not meant to be there forever. The images need to be unveiled; it is unnatural for them to be covered.

The unveiling before the Easter Vigil is a great reminder of our own life on earth. We live in a "veiled" world, in exile from our true home. It is only through our own death that the veil is lifted and we are finally able to see the beauty of everything in our lives.

Thought for Today

"Grant me, O Lord my God, a mind to know you, a heart to seek you, wisdom to find you, conduct pleasing to you, faithful perseverance in waiting for you and hope of finally embracing you" Amen

Thomas Aquinas

(Submitted by Eddie)

Thank
You

The Lourdes Team wish to thank all those who contributed to the Lourdes Appeal last Sunday. The donations received were €955 for which we are very grateful.

You will be remembered at all Masses in Lourdes during the Pilgrimage. A special thank you to all our collectors. There are still a few places left on the Pilgrimage. If interested enquire from the Sacristy as soon as possible.

Congratulations!
on your
Confirmation

Heartiest congratulations to the children of Gaelscoileanna on receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation on Wednesday. As you celebrate this milestone in your journey of faith, may the Holy Spirit be with you to renew and strengthen you in your commitment to follow Christ. Know that you have the prayers and support of those who love you.

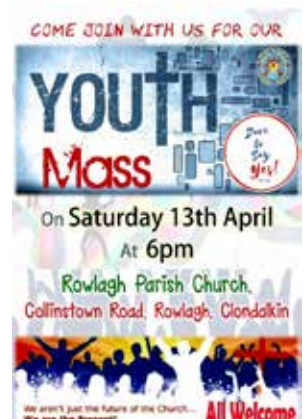
Youth Mass (Dare to Say Yes) in Rowlagh:

Join us for our Youth Mass on
Saturday 13 April at 6pm in

Rowlagh parish church,
Collinstown Road, Rowlagh,
Clondalkin. If you would be
interested in taking part in this
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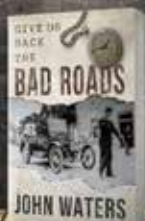
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