

Clondalkin Village Parish

Immaculate Conception & St. Killian Church

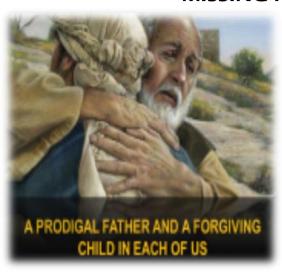
Clonburris # Knockmitten

Parish Newsletter

Sunday 15th September 2019



MISSING PIECES



Fitting pieces of a jigsaw together and watching it become more like the picture on the box is one way of spending hours of fun. There is a sense of accomplishment on seeing the almost completed picture. But this quickly turns to frustration when one piece is missing. The search begins for the missing piece and when it is found there is much rejoicing. Without that missing piece the picture would not be complete.

In to-day's Gospel Jesus speaks about missing pieces. The two parables speak about things that were lost. A shepherd misses one sheep from the fold of one hundred, a woman misses one coin from her store of ten. Both search for the lost and rejoice at the finding. God's joy in seeking and finding what is lost is emphasised in each story.

"I tell you there is rejoicing among the angels of God over one repentant sinner"

Missing pieces come in different shapes and sizes. There are times in our lives when we are burdened with missing pieces. We feel lost and not sure where to turn. We wander down paths of prejudice, guilt and doubts. Misinformation and misunderstandings weigh heavily on us. We get bogged down in conflicts and unhealed hurts. We cannot think clearly. We are not at peace with ourselves or with others. The joy of the gospel is missing.

And all this time God is searching for us. We are all part of his jigsaw. As long as one piece is missing from the fullness of life that He wishes for us the picture is incomplete.

To-day's Gospel celebrates God's love for the lost and the least. He is the shepherd who seeks till he finds, the woman who searches every nook and corner till she recovers what is missing, the lover who sings "Long have I waited for your coming home to me and living deeply our new life"

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, 3pm –4pm, 5.45pm-6.15pm

Clonburris

Sundays (Vigil) Sat 6.30 pm

Sunday 11am

Holy Days 11am and 6.30pm

Knockmitten

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

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CHURCH DUTY

Altar Linen: Kay Lee
Flowers: Nuala Kendellan



Monday 16th September - Miraculous Medal Novena after 10.00am Mass and Rosary.

Legion of Mary in the Convent 11.30am each Monday.

Tuesday 17th September - CCPC Intercessory Prayer

for Clondalkin Cluster of Parishes. This Tuesday, Group praying in

Parish Pastoral Centre **7.30pm - 8.30pm.** All welcome.

Wednesday 18th September - Charismatic Prayer Group

Our Lady Queen of Peace. This Wednesday in the Parish Pastoral

Centre, 7.40pm - Evening Prayer of the Church.

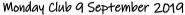
8.00pm - Holy Mass. Fr. Bala celebrating his final Mass with us before his return to India the following day. Join us if you can.

Thursday 19th September - Adoration Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Morning: In the Sisters' Oratory **10.45 -11.45am** Evening: In the Church **7.00 - 8.00pm.** All welcome.



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



We had a good crowd in the club this morning. We had our special guest of honour present too. Fr Bala will be heading back to his homeland of India

in the next week or two. This would be his last visit to us this year. It was great he could come to see his friends in the club. He has been in our parish since the middle of July and has been helping out in the parish. Fr Bala works very hard in his own parish in India which have many difficulties, education, medical care, plus many more issues he has to try to deal with in his ministry there. We wish him well and a safe journey home. We will keep you in our prayers.

There is a DVD featuring Kay Lee's most recent visit which will shown at a later date where we will see the difficult lives his people have. God Bless you Fr Bala and thank you for sharing your time with us.

Cecelia Doyle brought in a sample of the knitted square for the blankets to be knitted for use in Lourdes, also there are patterns for little bonnets for the premature babies which can be knitted too.

The squares can be knitted on double knitting wool on size 4mm knitting needles. Cast on 20 stitches, knit 40 rows in garter stitch. We will start on the shoe boxes in the next few weeks. Next week 16 September we are holding the annual coffee morning for the hospice. They rely heavily on this annual fund-raiser, and we will be having plenty of cake, tarts and buns, and a raffle. Please come along and support this worthy cause.

Last Saturday we had the annual parish pilgrimage to Knock. There was a full bus driven by PJ Browne, who got us there in good time for the ceremonies and back home again at a reasonable time. Thank You PJ. A big "Thank You" too to Sean Browne who brought us two crates of bottled water which kept us all well hydrated on our journey. Thanks to everybody who came on the pilgrimage and everybody kept good time too. Our pilgrimage will be on 5 September next year please God. Congratulations to Pauline and Tommy on their recent engagement. We wish you all the best for the future. Thanks Stephen, Collette and Joan for help with teas/coffees, setting tables and clear up.

ing tables and clear up. Until next week, keep well.

Kathleen R

Pupils from our Primary Schools will attend 10am Mass to mark the start of their new school year.

Scoil Íde - Thursday 19th September Scoil Mhuire - Friday 20th September

Víllage Church

12noon

1.30pm

Sunday 15th September

6.30pm (Vigil) Cyril Murphy (An),

Jean Roberts (MM) - died recently in Liverpool

Denise Slattery (1st An), Frank Slattery (1oth An)

10.30am William & Mary Cashin,

Pat & Jennie Maher (An)
Patrick McCabe (An),

Florrie Coleman (1st An), Kathleen Buckley (1st An)

Eileen & Gerry Nolan,

Michael Fitzgerald & Billy Nolan Mass for the African community

Tuesday 17th September

10.00am Joseph Cleary (wedding anniversary)

Wednesday 18th September 10.00am Hans Will (An)

Thursday 19th September

10.00am Margaret Jones & Gill Meagher (An)

Friday 20th September

10.00am Kathleen Handley (An)

Sunday 22nd September

6.3opm (Vigil) Michael & John Lacey (B'day Rem)
Joe & Della Curry (An), Beatrice (Lilly) Smith (An)
Patrick Smith (Rem), Gretta Gallagher (1st An)

10.30am Michael Fitzsimons

12noon Niamh McDonnell (32nd An)
Patricia Gordon (18th An), Peg Dooley (21st An)
Patrick & Mary Anne Daly (An)

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Sunday 15th September

11:00am Michael McDermott (An)

C.A.M.E. (Clondalkin Adult Morning Education)
Enrolements for our next term will take place on Monday
16th to Friday 20th September from 10 am to 12
noon in the Portacabin on Monastery Road. New classes this term include Sewing, History and Beginners Spanish.
See full details on Church notice boards or pick up a leaflet in the Library. For further details, phone 086 770 3445 or
(01) 464 0450.



This week, we bid "Farewell" to Fr. Bala who will return to his native India following a couple of months spent ministering in our parish. We wish him a safe journey and assure him of our prayers for his work among his own parishioners.



Fr Jim McCaffrey CSSp: We learned with regret the death of Fr. Jim during the week at the age of 92. Fr. Jim came to us after Fr. Ryan retired in 2000. when most people at his age looked forward to putting his feet up after many years on the

missions but not our Fr. Jim. I remember him as a tall stately person and often joked that he looked more like a politician or banker than a priest to which his reply was a hearty laugh.

He loved ministering to the people in Clondalkin especially to the sick. He made time to visit, linger and chat and chatting was certainly his speciality. His good humour will always be a lasting memory. Fr. Jim was with us for up to 12 years and retired only when his health began to fail.

We extend our sympathies and prayers to his family and his brother priests in Kimmage Manor.

"May the Lord bless you and keep you! May the Lord let his

face shine upon you, and be gracious to you!

May the Lord look upon you kindly and give you His

Peace!" (Numbers 6:24-26)





Some of the pilgrims who took part in the Annual Pilgrimage to Knock on Saturday 7th September in glorious sunshine. Photo by Joe Leonard is taken after the 3pm Mass and just before leaving Knock to start the journey home. The mural depicts the scene of the Apparition in 1879 and the colours are truly stunning.



They say a picture paints a thousand words - Above is the picture of the trellis covered with hearts to remember those we lost to suicide at last Tuesday's event organised by Community Action on Suicide in Rowlagh Church. This simple, sincere ceremony was evocative and meaningful and a



super credit to all involved. The hearts where brought by family members, individuals, organisations and groups from around our community. Each heart a name... each a story...

The event also saw the launch of "A New Normal" a new local, adult peer-to-peer support and friendship group for family, friends and those who have lost a loved one to suicide. They provide a safe and confidential space where we can remember our loved ones but also be kind to ourselves. They are all survivors of loved ones to suicide and although each person deals with their grief in many different ways they all have experienced the same loss, sadness and guilt. Be sure to pick up a copy of their courageous booklet and the dates of their next gatherings are - Wednesdays - 18th Sept, 9th

Oct, 23rd October, 7-8.30pm in the Health House, 4 Neilstown Cres, Neilstown, Dublin 22. Photos Eddie Byrne

Someday, after mastering the winds, the waves, the tides and gravity, we shall harness for God the energies of love, and then, for a second time in the history of the world, man will have discovered fire.

Pierre Teilhard de Chardin

The Newsletter Team is glad to announce that the Printer situation is solved for the time being.

Monday evening the parish received the written agreement from the printers (*Pieces Print – a local printer*) who will, after an initial interim period, provide the newsletters free of charge to the parish going forward with the support of local advertisers.

So we are encouraging local businesses to support and advertise in our newsletter.

In essence nothing will change in how we are currently doing things, except for sending draft of our finished newsletter to Pisces on a Wednesday, and hoping that the transition should be seem-less.

Declan and the other printers have been informed. Many thanks to all who offered assistance and hopefully the new agreement can be extended.

On the occasion of Scoil Íde's Fiftieth
Anniversary, Most Reverend Diarmuid
Martin, Archbishop of Dublin, will
celebrate Mass at 10.00am on
Wednesday, September 18th 2019 in the
Church of the Immaculate Conception
and St. Killian, Clondalkin Village.
All past pupils, staff and friends of our school are
invited to attend this special Mass.
On 4th October, we will have a further event in the
school which will be open to the public. We will
publish details of same on our school website
www.scoilidepps.com and also on our Twitter account
@scoilidepps.com

I. Ní Odhrain, Priomhoide, Scoil Íde

Clondalkin Drama Group's newest production; a night of 2 plays that we have called An Evening of Belly Aches and Politics! We are delighted to perform 2 short plays this September to give you a night full of laughter!

The Fat Lady Sings in Little Grimley is a one act comedy written by David Tristram.

Going Green is a tragic comedy also written by David Tristram.

Dates: 24th - 28th September, 7.30pm Location: Quinlan's Black Lion, Clondalkin Tickets: On sale in Clondalkin Village Hardware €5 on opening night, €10 every other night.

Reflecting on today's Gospel

..........The sins of the flesh are bad, but they are the least bad of all sins. All the worst pleasures are purely spiritual: the pleasure of putting other people in the wrong, of bossing and patronizing and spoiling sport, and backbiting: the pleasure of power, of hatred. For there are two things inside me, competing with the human self which I must try to become. They are the Animal self, and the Diabolical self. The Diabolical self is the worse of the two. That is why a cold, self-righteous prig who goes regularly to church may be far nearer to hell than a prostitute. But, of course, it is better to be neither.

C.S Lewis on the Prodigal Son

In one of his novels Dostoyevsky describes a scene that has the air of having been witnessed in reality. A woman holds a baby a few weeks old in her arms and --for the first time, according to her -- he smiles at her. All contrite, she makes the sign of the cross on his forehead and to those who ask her the reason for this she says: "Just as a mother is happy when she sees the first smile of her child, God too rejoices every time a sinner gets on his knees and addresses a heartfelt prayer to him" ("The Idiot").

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