

Clondalkin Village Parish Immaculate Conception & St. Killian Church

Clonburris # Knockmitten

Parish Newsletter

Sunday 29th September 2019



Today's Gospel has always been one that unsettled me. The parable of Lazarus and the rich man paints a dramatic scene of contrasts - riches and poverty, heaven and earth, compassion and indifference, inclusion and exclusion. It's a story in which we see an abrupt and dramatic reversal of fortune - in the end the rich man became a beggar! In the story you also have a poor man called Lazarus but the rich man is nameless – *as if to emphasise that in spite of all his money and all the power and influence that comes*

with it, he is a Nobody! The central message of this story seems to lie in the fates of these two individuals after death and is very much tied to their experiences of wealth and poverty in this life. What is very striking is that the rich man is not presented as being cruel to Lazarus or mistreating him. He was 'condemned' for doing nothing, for seeing the miserable state of Lazarus and doing nothing about it. I think it was the French playwright Moliere who said, 'It is not only for what we do that we are held responsible, but also for what we do not do.' When I was in training for the role of Parish Pastoral Worker we were advised that when we went to a parish to spend time observing, listening to the 'voices' of the parish to really get to know the needs of the parish and community. What I have come to realise over years is that guite often those who need the most have no voice so no amount of 'listening' will ever hear them, they are also guite often the invisible issues that are hidden in plain sight! This is what I think I find most unsettling about this reading, it throws down the gauntlet to me to ask myself – when I have noticed them but not seen them... when I have heard them but not listened to them? When have I done nothing? In essence Luke 16 is not just about money or wealth. When we really understand the chapter, the key elements are personal relationships and solidarity. Almsgiving and charitable acts are good but personal involvement is infinitely better and to be involved means first to notice and see, to hear and listen. OUR faith means that apathy is not an option. Pope Francis in Evangelii Gaudium says, 'Each individual Christian and every community is called to be an instrument of God for the liberation and promotion of the poor, and for enabling them to be fully a part of society. This demands that we be docile and attentive to the crv of the poor and to come to their aid.' **187** So.... what angers us, what spurs us to action? What are we willing to stand up for and put ourselves on the line for? Our passions are no accident.

The comfort I will take with me this week then is – 'To make a difference in someone's life you don't have to be brilliant, rich, beautiful, or perfect. You Just have to care enough and be there' (Unknown) - I pray, that with God's help, I can and I will have the courage to be there. Frank Brown, 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, 3pm –4pm, 5.45pm-6.15pm Clonburris Sundays (Vigil) Sat 6.30 pm Sunday 11am Holy Days 11am and 6.30pm

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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: Angela Minihan Flowers: Noreen King/October



This Week

Monday 30th September

Miraculous Medal Novena after 10.00am Mass and Rosarv.

Legion of Mary in the Convent 11.30am

Tuesday 1st October CCPC Intercessory Prayer for

Clondalkin Cluster of Parishes. This Tuesday, Group praying in the Pastoral Centre 7.30pm - 8.30pm. All welcome. Wednesday 2nd October

Charismatic Prayer Group Our Lady Queen of Peace. This Wednesday in the Parish Pastoral Centre 7.40pm Evening Prayer of the Church. 8.00pm Prayer Meeting. Come and join us if you can.

Thursday 3rd October

Adoration-Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Morning: In the Church 10.45 -11.45a Evening: In the Church Hour of Prayer-8pm to 9pm Friday 4th October

First Friday, Masses today are offered for all whose names are on the Altar List of the Dead

Saturday 5th October

First Saturday, Fatima Devotions after 10am Mass and Rosary



Recently Baptised ... Welcome! Carter Cilian Reddy Kelly, Riverside Éala Ciara Dunne, Castle Close Honey May Callaghan, Castle Close Mva Boudhina. Riverside Rd

Members of our Local St. Vincent de Paul will hold their monthly collection after all Masses next Sunday. All monies donated are distributed to families in need in our parish.



Recently Deceased

Michael Moans, Wheatfield Court

Peg Noonan, Booth Rd

We extend our deepest sympathies and pravers to their families and friends. May they Rest in Peace!



Clondalkín Hístory Society

"1919 A year of Revolution" Illustrated Talk by Liz Gillis on Monday 30th September in Áras Chrónain at 8pm. Admission €5 (non members) and all welcome. Josephine Byrne



Tuesday 1st October we celebrate the Feast of St. Therese or better known as the "little Flower. We will have the Annual blessing of Roses at 10am Mass. We will have a supply of roses available but would appreciate if people would bring their own. It is hoped that blessed roses will be distributed to the sick and housebound in the parish. We hope to have a Relic available at Mass.

I will spend my heaven doing "GOOD" on earth. After my death I will let fall a shower of Roses" - St. Therese

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



Next meeting of Pioneer Association Thursday 30th October after 10am Mass in the Pastoral Centre. New members welcome!



6.30pm (Vigil) Desmond Murphy (BDRem)

Lectio Divina with Sr. Anne

In our wonderful village of Clondalkin, there are many clubs and organisations to join, the choice is endless. On Tuesday morning 3rd September I



went along to the Parish Pastoral Centre to join the Lectio Divina group, which has been meeting there for many years. The group starts at 10.45am and finishes at 12.10pm each Tuesday morning.

Sr Ann Nevin leads the group and as I arrived, she was setting out cups for tea/coffee and plates of biscuits and cakes for the group to enjoy as the scripture study starts. The first part of the hour is devoted to the members saying what struck them about the readings they had studied at their last meeting and which they also heard at Mass either on Saturday evening or Sunday. It was good to listen to these observations, it was obvious that the group were happy to share with each other their findings of what had struck them from the readings.

We then moved into the readings for the following Sunday. The first reading from the Old Testament, the Psalm and the Gospel Reading. Sr. Ann went through the readings and gave us the benefit of her own study and her knowledge of the background of the readings from Scripture. This really brought the readings to life and would enrich our listening when we came to Mass on the following weekend. As I left, I felt grateful for the opportunity to attend this group. I was impressed by what I experienced and remembered the words of Jesus 'where two or three are gathered together in My name there I am in the midst' It was such an enjoyable hour that I would encourage anyone who would like to study the Scriptures and meet with others who share this desire to come along to the group any Tuesday morning. Annetta Maguire

Faithfest for Teenagers Join us on Friday 4 October for 15th Faithfest from 6.00-9.30pm. in Holy Cross College, Clonliffe Road, Dublin 3. Faithfest aims to create spaces where teenagers have an experience of a peer community, explore faith, and encounter an experience of welcoming, belonging, discipleship, worship and prayer in a creative and fun atmosphere.

All welcome. Contact - Office for Evangelisation e-mail: evangelisation@dublindiocese.ie

SCOIL ÍDE – CELEBRATING 50 YEARS



Monday Club 23 September 2019 We had a smaller crowd than usual in the club this morning, however, we all had a great morning of music and song. Sean Coughlan came with his guitar and sang songs for us taking us on a tour of the country from Dublin City, to Derry, Kilkenny, Clare, Roscommon and other places in between. Sean is a wonderful entertainer and guitar player. Sean will be back again in the future and we look forward to his next visit. We also had a lovely song from Kathleen Finan accompanied by Sean on the guitar. This was followed by Noel on his harmonica. Noel played his lovely Garryown jig. It is great to see Noel back after an absence of a few weeks. Welcome Teresa from Offaly who comes to the club when she is visiting her daughter Noeleen. The coffee morning for the hospice was a good success and we raised €371.32 between donations and raffle and was sent off to them via Bank Giro.

Now that the winter is approaching and people will probably be lighting fires. It is time we thought seriously of getting the chimneys cleaned. Eileen Carthy brought in the name and number of a chimney cleaner. He is Richard Maher Cleaning. Telephone 4525163 or 087 2450593 if anyone needs to have their chimneys cleaned and may not know of such a person. Some of the ladies have started knitting and crocheting squares for the blankets for Lourdes. They really look very nice. Squares of different colours will make really beautiful blankets.

Fr Bala has now returned to India, and expressed his thanks to us all for the welcome we gave him on his visits to us, and also for the donation we gave him, also to those who gave me donations to pass on to him. I made up a card for him and put all the names of those who contributed. Keep him in your prayers. Thanks to Stephen, Collette and Joan for all their help. Until next week take care. Kathleen R

Above: Four of the Principals since 1969 Left: Principal Orla Ní Odhráin with Archbishop Diarmuid Martin and Fr. Damian and Archbishop Martin.

Congratulations

the occasion was truly celebrated beginning with Mass at 10am last Wednesday. The large congregation present including the children from the school were treated to a feast of inspiring music and song. Flowers and candles adorned the church and were in abundance.

Well done! Everyone and "a BIG Thank you!



who are the Rich?

One day a father of a very wealthy family took his son on a trip to the country with the purpose of showing him how poor people live. They spent a couple days and nights on the farm of what would be considered a very poor family.

On their return from their trip the father asked asked the father. "Oh yeah" "I saw we have one dog and they

have four beautiful dogs. We have a pool that reaches to the middle of our gardens and they have a creek that has no end. We have imported lanterns in our garden and they have stars at night. Our patio reaches to the front yard and they have the whole horizon. We have a small piece of land to live on and they have fields that go beyond our sight. We have servants who serve us but they serve others with love. We buy our food but they grow their own. We have walls around our property to protect us . They have friends to protect them". The boy's father was speechless. Then the boy added "thank you

dad for showing me how poor we are"

Community Action on Suicide is arranging two opportunities for anyone who lives and/or



works in the community to attend a safeTALK workshop.

- Thursday 10 October 9.30 a.m. 1.15 p.m., Ronanstown Youth Services
- Wednesday 16 October 6 p.m. 9.45 p.m. Quarryvale FRC To register please email reception@quarryvalefrc.ie or telephone 01-623 0264 or 01-626 9151.

This free training is for anyone who wants to become more suicide alert and prevent suicide. You will learn the basic steps to recognise when people might have thoughts of suicide and how to connect them to suicide first aid resources.

safeTALK gives you the tools to help you in your interactions with friends, family members, at work etc. when you think someone might be thinking of suicide



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