



Clondalkin Village Parish

Immaculate Conception & St. Killian Church

Clonburris  **Knockmitten**

Parish Newsletter

Sunday 17th November 2019

**33rd Sunday
of
Ordinary
Time**

THIS IS OUR
CHURCH
THIS IS OUR TIME

This Sunday's gospel can rock us a bit when we read it first and we can so easily overlook the hope that is in it. As you listen to it or if you read it again ask yourself the question – *What was the community like that Luke was writing this for?* It is obvious they were struggling, under attack, somewhat disjointed and even threatened. *Sound familiar?*

When this was written almost 2,000 years ago the young Church was under crisis, when I was a child it was in crisis, today and into the future... it will be the same. Why? Because we always struggle in the challenge of putting a structure on the fundamental challenge of our faith ... God is Love, who loves us unconditionally. This is a love that is unearned, maybe undeserved in our eyes and even unmerited! But God loves us for who we are. If this is our faith, and if we dare to fully believe it then it sets us a massive challenge – *We have to be that for others, for our community and for our world.* This is not a simple thing because as history has shown us it is easier to judge, it is simpler to dictate how we/other should love and what is acceptable in OUR standards. St Mother Teresa probably puts it best, *"If we spent our time judging others then we have no time to love them!"*

Our world is struggling and the message of love, belonging and welcome is needed more than ever. We see images on the news of people trapped in the hopelessness of war. We see images of people who have lost loved ones to tragedy. We see images of hate between nations and people. We do not even need the news. We experience all of these horrible things in our own lives. The floods, fires, our families are divided, our jobs are insecure as are our livelihoods; I do not need to go on. You already know that life can be a struggle. The message of today's gospel is threefold – the faithfulness to God, despite appearances; a call to conversion, to constantly rise to the challenge of love; and the call to endurance with the unshaking assurance that God, the Spirit is constantly at work in our world. The point is this: even though the early Christians went through these horrible persecutions for their faith, we still gather in the name of Jesus Christ even today. Those persecuted Christians still told the story of the new life that is found in Jesus.

This is our time, this is our opportunity and it is in this time that we are called to live out our faith. Despite the horrors of life, despite real, preserved or apparent struggles we are encouraged to share the good news with the transforming and unshakable hope it brings - the horrors of the cross were not the last word. Love is the last word. Love is coming to rule the world. *Joy to the world!* We may live in a world of fear, but we are not a people of fear. Do not worry about the horrors of the world or the end of the world rather, trust in the new life found in Jesus, trust in His Spirit at work in our time and hope in the difference each of us make. When we do, future generations will have faith because of us also. Frank Brown, Parish Pastoral Worker

Masses

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 18th November

Miraculous Medal

Novena after 10.00am Mass and Rosary.

Legion of Mary in the Convent 11.30am

Tuesday 19th November - CCPC Intercessory

Prayer for Clondalkin Cluster of Parishes.

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

Wednesday 20th November - Charismatic Prayer Group

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

Thursday 7th November - Adoration Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Morning: In the Church - 10.45 - 11.45am

Evening: In the Church - 7.00 - 8.00pm

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.



The Legion of Mary will be recruiting new members to join with them in their work of spiritual and temporal involvement within the community on Sunday 24th November after all Masses.



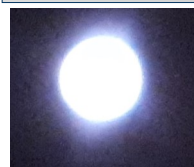
Mass for Francie and Mary Boland will be offered on Sunday 24th November at 5.30pm. Sorry for any inconvenience caused. I have no contact number so hopefully the family will see this or somebody might let them know.

Fr. Damian



We are currently looking for new Altar Servers who would like to train for this important ministry. If you or your child are interested in this ministry, please ring Christina Malone on 085 716 2152.

The Archdiocese is also inviting Altar Servers to their second **Diocesan Altar Server Day** on **Saturday 23rd November** in St. Paul's Church, Arran Quay, from 9.30am to 2.30pm. For further details or for booking forms contact Margaret Brown or Christina Malone (085 716 2152).



A FULL MOON, the so-called Beaver Moon, lit up the night skies with its eerie glow last Monday. The photo captured and sent in by Marie Duncan was taken as the moon sat over Clondalkin. Centuries ago Native Americans kept track of the changing seasons by giving a

distinct name to each Full Moon – names we still use today. “November’s Full Moon was known as the Geese-going Moon, the Frost Moon and perhaps the most well known, the Full Beaver Moon. Traditionally this is the time of year that beavers are preparing for winter and also the time to set traps before the swamps froze, to ensure supplies of warm winter furs.

“Can you fathom the mysteries of God? Can you probe the limits of the Almighty? They are higher than the Heaven above; They are deeper than the depths. Below” Job 11:7-8



The Parish Christmas Cards are now available from the Parish Shop. All Masses on Christmas Day in our Parish are offered for the recipients of these cards. They are sold in lots of 3 for €3. We also have boxed cards of 12. Please do call in after all Masses today to view the various items for Christmas as well as the usual religious items of rosaries, statues, cards for all occasions etc. The Irish Catholic is also available.

Mary Farrell

Village Church

Sunday 17th November

6.30pm (Vigil) Greta Gallagher (Rem), Michael, Nellie, Colm & Deirdre Finnegan (An), John O'Mahoney (B'day Rem), Dolores Nolan (An), Kathleen Nolan (MM), Margaret Doyle (26th An), Patrick Doyle (An)
Pat & Anne Cahill (60th Wedding Anniversary)

10.30am Dora & Tommy Clifford (An)

12noon Maurice Collins (An), Dan White (An), Ann Adair (1st An), Kathleen & Christy Pollard (An), Robert Bo McEvoy (MM) & Robert McEvoy (Snr), Amy O'Shea (21st An)

1.00pm Mass for the African community

5.30pm Sam Kelly & Patricia Kelly (An)

Thursday 21st November

10.00am Fr. Jim Caffrey (B'day Rem)
Presentation Sisters - Renewal of Vows

Sunday 24th November

6.30pm Martin Phelan (An), Mary O'Reilly (An), Keith Evans (MM)

9.00am Josephine & Eileen Hogan (An)

10.30am Thomas Feighery (14th An), George Browne (6th An), Walter & Elizabeth Fortune (An)

12noon Mary Reilly (An), Dave Mitchell (5th An), Kathleen McDonnell (An)

5.30pm Francie & Mary Boland (An)

Clonburris

Saturday 16th November

6.30pm Harry O'Brien (An)

Sunday 17th November

11.00am Alan Deans (10th An)



On Monday 25th November at 7.30pm Mass will be offered for all parishioners who died in our Parish during the year. Relatives and Friends are cordially invited to attend.

Envelopes for names of deceased families and friends are still available in the Church.

Envelopes may be placed in the safe at back of the church, Sacristy, Shop and office. Masses on the 1st Friday of each month of the year are offered for all whose names are on the Altar List of the Dead.

MONDAY CLUB : 11th November

First and foremost, I would like to say a big “Thank You” to the anonymous donor of the beautifully wrapped “Shoe Box” gifts which were in the Pastoral Centre when we arrived last Monday, This parish is blessed with so many kind and generous people, it is spiritually uplifting. God bless you all. Kathleen is laid low by the cold that is doing the rounds and Colette was unable to attend so Sr. Anne ably stepped into the breach and we managed to dispense the hot drinks and gorgeous cake made by Kathleen Finnan. Thank you Kathleen, it was delicious! We then had a “Fun Quiz” which had a few hard questions along with the no-brainers. The competition was quite fierce and the winning team won by a very small 2 point margin! Congratulations to all involved. A very grateful “Thank You” to Sr. Anne who kept score and ensured the rules were observed as the prizes were “awesome”, as the Americans say! Thank you Stephen for having everything ready for us and for such a cosy, warm room on a very wintery morning. Until next Monday, keep warm and wrap up well!

Joan





Clondalkin Village, Deansrath, Srulleen,
Knockmitten, Clonburris, Bawnogue,
Neilstown, Rowlagh-Quarryvale,
Parish of the Travelling People

You are invited

To a Prayer Service For all our loved ones who died too soon

Those we love
don't go away,
they walk beside us
every day...
unseen, unheard,
but always near.
still loved,
still missed
and very dear.

Remembering those precious children who have died during or after birth
and all our beloved friends, family members or loved ones who were taken
too soon either through tragedy, accident or illness.

There is a Book of Remembrance open in the church for those
who wish to write the name of your loved one who has died.
We invite ALL to come and plant a flower in the Remembrance
Garden in Neilstown during this month of November (no need to
ask permission) in memory of your loved one.



The service will be held in
St Peter the Apostle Church, Neilstown

On Thursday 28th November
At 2pm

All Welcome

Please spread this invite to a Remembrance service in the small chapel St Peter the Apostle Church, Neilstown on **Thursday 28th Nov @ 2pm** - "For all our loved ones who died during or after birth and all our beloved friends, family members or loved ones who were taken too soon either through tragedy, accident or illness – At this we will burn the hearts gathered at the September (Community Action on Suicide) remembrance service & Féileacáin – the Stillbirth and Neonatal Death Association of Ireland - will also be represented. The invitation is extended to everyone to come along and attend.

If you are unable to come along on the day we are asking people to stop with the 'Snow Drops' reflection for one minute's in silence, reflect on and maybe say a little prayer at 2pm that day in solidarity with those gathered and in remembrance of their own loved ones.

Snowdrops

The world may never notice,
If a snowdrop doesn't bloom,
Or even pause to wonder,
If the petals fall too soon,
But every life that ever forms,
or ever comes to be,
Touches the world in some small way,
for all eternity.

The one we loved and cared for,
Was swiftly here and gone.
But the love that was then planted
Is a light that still shines on.
And though our arms are empty,
Our hearts know what to do,
Every beating of our hearts
Says that we love you.

*I will not forget you.
I have carved you on the
palm of my hand*
Isaiah 49:15



Coláiste Bríde is celebrating 50 years on our current site (1969 – 2019). The Papal Nuncio - Most Reverend Jude Thaddeus Okolo, Fr Damian, our Presentation Sisters, former staff as well as current staff and students will mark the occasion on Presentation Day, November 21st 2019.

If you attended Coláiste Bríde around this time, you are most welcome to join us in this celebration. If you would like to attend our celebration please come to Coláiste Bríde at **10am on Thursday November 21st**.

"I have called you by your name"

Children preparing for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion meeting for their monthly "faith fun and friendship" gathering after school. Please keep all those preparing for the Sacraments in our parishes in your prayers.

#godlovesyou



"Dear Mother Joseph, ...I am ready this moment to receive any community of the Presentation Order who will take charge of the education of our poor children.....It is necessary for me to let you know how I stand in order that you may see if you will be able to supply my wants. All I can give you is a convent as nice as there is to be found in Ireland.....I don't wish to boast of what I will do hereafter: all I can say is that whatever community comes to me, they will never have cause to regret as I am determined to do everything to make them happy"

Fr. John Moore, Curate

And so December 8th 1857 Clondalkin welcomed Mother Joseph Conzaga Coslett. Mother M. Regis Coslett and mother M Stanislaus Mulcahy, who arrived from Carlow to take up the challenge of teaching the children of the area. Fr. Moore was true to his word and even gave up his own carpet, chairs and table for the comfort the sisters.

Clondalkin now boasts three primary schools and Secondary school for the education of girls.

The original "school" is now used by parishioners for various activities in the parish, courtesy of the sisters. Since their arrival so many moons ago they have been an integral part in our community, always willing to help and be involved in many way to the needs of the parish.

On their Feast Day, Thursday 21st November, we take the opportunity to say "Thanks".

Your service is still much appreciated and needed!

The first three sisters who arrived in 1857 are buried in the Convent Grave yard.

During this month of the Holy Souls how about paying a visit and offering a prayer?

If we have no peace, it is because we have forgotten
that we belong to each other.

St Mother Teresa

When Pope Francis Met Greta Thunberg': Please join us on Tues 19th Nov at 7.30pm in Dundrum Parish Pastoral centre when we will host a talk on the climate change emergency. Jane Mellett, will share her thoughts and experiences of "Why has Pope Francis Declared a Climate Emergency?" Everyone is welcome.



- Burial or Cremation Service
- Floral Service
- Memorial Service
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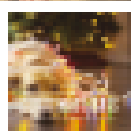
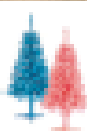
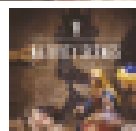


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