



# Clondalkin Village Parish

*Immaculate Conception & St. Killian Church*

**Clonburris**  **Knockmitten**

Parish Newsletter

Sunday 9th February 2020



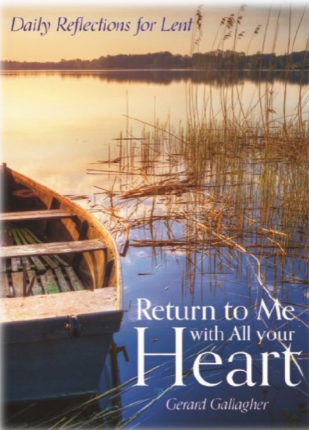
Today we are celebrating the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary time and the Gospel reminds us not to hide away. Let us be the light for ourselves and for others in our lives. Even so it is just over 40 days after Christmas the parish team is already beginning to plan the season of Lent. On Ash Wednesday, 26<sup>th</sup> of Feb, less than three weeks from now, we are starting the season of lent.

## WHAT IS LENT?

Lent is the period of forty days in which the Church prepares for Holy Week and Easter. It has been observed as a time of penance and renewal for the whole Church, with fasting and abstinence, since the fourth century. **"By the solemn forty days of Lent the Church unites herself each year to the mystery of Jesus in the desert"** (Catechism of the Catholic Church, no. 540). The Church sets before us the example of Christ in the desert, so that with him we can prepare for the celebration of Paschaltide and Easter by purifying our hearts, taking our Christian life more seriously, and practicing penance. For a long time Christian's focused on penance and the part of renewal was nearly forgotten about. Lent is not a time to only remember to reconcile with each other (*and especially God through the Sacrament of Reconciliation*) however it is also a *time to renew your relationship with God*. To support you on that journey the parish team is inviting you to take on a new challenge for lent. Throughout the 40 days we ask you to join a book club. Every Wednesday after the morning mass and evening mass we gather to reflect, to share, to support and to pray for and with each other. You can go to either. If you are interested in joining the Book club please ring **Christina Malone, 085 71 62152**.

## Book Club for Lent

Book: **Return to Me with All your Heart. Daily Reflections for lent** - by Gerard Gallagher. **Every Wednesday** during Lent in the Pastoral Centre **10.40am** (after 10am mass) and/or **8pm** (after 7.30pm mass).  
**Cost €10** (this includes the book, refreshments and all other material)



## 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

**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:

**Parishnewsletter1@gmail.com,**  
**Office, Sacristy, by Tuesday**  
**not later than 4.30pm**

## Is your salt salty and your light shining?

If you doubt your light matters, take this little quiz:

1. Name the five wealthiest people in the world?
2. Name the last five Heisman trophy winners?
3. Name the last five winners of the Miss America Pageant?



Do you know all these answers? **Probably not!** Ask yourself these additional questions:

1. Who cared, comforted, fed and clothed you when you were in need?
2. Who do you trust impeccably, can you depend on, is always there for you?
3. Who is the first friend you would call in an emergency or time of trouble?

You do know the answers to these questions. **They are the salt and light of the world.**

**Would anyone answer these second questions with your name?**

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Altar Linen:  
Flowers

## CHURCH DUTY

Mary Jenkins  
Kathleen Cosgrove

Thank  
You

### Monday 10th February

**Miraculous Medal Novena** after 10am Mass and Rosary.

**Legion of Mary** groups meet in the Convent at 11.30am

**Tuesday 11th February CCPC Intercessory Prayer** for Clondalkin Cluster of Parishes. This Tuesday group joining in Adoration in Deansrath Church at 7.30pm–8.30pm - All welcome

**Wednesday 12th February - Charismatic Prayer Group - Our Lady Queen of Peace.** This Wednesday, in Parish Pastoral Centre **8.00pm Evening Prayer of the Church** followed by Charismatic **Prayer Meeting**. Come & join us if you can.

**Thursday 13th February - Legion of Mary meets in the Convent at 7.30pm. New members welcome**

**Adoration: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**

**Morning:** In the Church **10.45-11.45am**

**Evening:** Hour of Prayer in the Church—**8pm to 9pm.** All welcome!

This  
Week



The Theme for this year's World Day of the Sick, Tuesday 11th February, Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes, is: *"Come to me, all you who labour and are burdened and I will give you Rest"* (Mt 11:28) The World Day of the Sick is

an awareness day, or observance, which was instituted on May 13, 1992 by Pope John Paul II.

"What is needed is a personalized approach to the sick, not just of curing but also of caring, in view of an integral human healing. In experiencing illness, individuals not only feel threatened in their physical integrity, but also in the relational, intellectual, affective and spiritual dimensions of their lives. For this reason, in addition to therapy and support, they expect care and attention. In a word, love. At the side of every sick person, there is also a family, which itself suffers and is in need of support and comfort."

Pope Francis



### Scoil Íde Scoil Áine and Scoil Mhuire Primary Schools

We are now accepting enrolments for the coming new school year 2020/21. All children who have reached four years of age on or before 31st May 2020 are eligible. We would appreciate it if you could inform friends, family and acquaintances of eligible children that enrolments are now being accepted.

**The closing date is Monday 10th February 2020.**

Contact the school of your choice for an Expression of Interest in Enrolment form and all other details.

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

## Village Church

### Sunday 9th February

**6.30pm Vigil:** James Lynch (An)

James Gaffney (1st An), Margaret Gaffney (An) Dooney, Hayden, Murphy and Coyle Families (Rem), Mary Keane (An), Frank Keane Snr (100th BDRem), Frank Keane Jnr (Rem)

**9.00am:** Michael Lanney (An) Jack Flood, Mark Wiggins (1st An)

**10.30am:** Kathleen Mucha (12th An) Gerard Doyle (BD Rem),

Monica Larnihan and Michael Lynch (An)

**12 noon:** Conor and Gerry McElhinney (An) William Walsh (An), John McInerney (An)

**5.30pm:** Patricia Whelan, Sandra Kelly (1st An) John Quinlan (7th An)

**Mon 10th Feb 10am** Michael & Mattie Dwyer (Rem)

**Tues 11th Feb 10am** Kay O'Neill (MM)

**Thurs 13th Feb 7.30am** Carmel Maher (MM)

**Sat 15th Feb 10am** Peggy Moore (2nd An)

### Sunday 16th Feb

**6.30pm (vigil):** Margaret Ledwidge (An)

Ita O'Gorman (3rd An), Mary O'Reilly (1st An), Kathleen Nolan (Rem), Greta Gallagher (Rem)

**10.30am:** Belinda and James Fitzsimons (An) Cornelius Higgins (100th BDRem), Mona Nash (3rd An)

**12 noon:** Maisie Delaney (An), Brian Lucas, Sheila Barry (An), Elizabeth Shields (1st An) Oliver, Donal and Olive Grace (An), Mary Fagan

**5.30pm:** Patrick Lovett (An)

## CLONBURRIS

**Saturday 15th Feb 6.30pm** Jimmy O'Brien (An)

**Sunday 16th Feb 11.00am** John Byrne (An), Jim Chester (An), Elaine Brohoon (An)



The Shrine to St Valentine, opposite, and containing the relics of the Saint, is housed in Carmelite Church, Whitefriar St. Ever wondered who was St. Valentine and how he ended up in Dublin? St. Valentine was a clergyman – either a priest or a bishop – in the Roman Empire. At the time, Emperor

Claudius II had banned marriages as he thought single men made better soldiers. However, St Valentine took it upon himself to arrange and perform marriages in secret so couples could still celebrate their love. Unfortunately, the Emperor found out and imprisoned Valentine, sentencing him to death for his crime. He was martyred and his body buried at a Christian cemetery on the Via Flaminia close to the Ponte Milvio to the north of Rome, on February 14, which has been observed as the Feast of St Valentine since 496 AD. In 1835 an Irish Carmelite by the name of John Spratt was visiting Rome. Apparently his fame as a preacher had gone before him, no doubt brought by some Jesuits who had been in Dublin. The elite of Rome flocked to hear him and he received many tokens of esteem from the doyens of the Church. One such token came from Pope Gregory XVI (1831-1846) and were the remains of Saint Valentine. He is patron of love, young people and happy marriage.

PLEASE  
NOTE...

**The 12 noon Mass**  
**next Sunday, 16th February**  
will be a special celebration for couples  
and the Sacrament of Marriage.

There will be a blessing of rings - so if you or someone you know have recently gotten engaged or are celebrating a special anniversary this year leave your name in the parish office!





"Deep peace of the running wave to us  
 Deep peace of the flowing air to us  
 Deep peace of the quiet earth to us  
 Deep peace of the shining stars to us  
 Deep peace of the Son of Peace to us  
 And may God hold us forever in his care, cradle us in  
 his arms and cover us with his loving protection"

The "blessing" prayed as we gathered in brisk sunshine at St. Brigid's Well on her feast day last Saturday. The well and surrounds looked splendid in its new makeover done in time by the Men's Shed, Tidy Towns and Friends of the Camac. The old stone wall surrounding the well is once again visible after been hidden by ivy for many years. Cllr Timmons led a group of pilgrims from the Bridewell in Dublin, leaving at 10am and arriving at St. Brigid's well in Clondalkin at 2pm and then on to Bró Chrónain for dancing, food, and cross making. It is hoped the pilgrimage from the city will now become an annual event. *Photo by Tommy Keogh.*



### Monday Club 3 February 2020

We had a good crowd in the club this morning. Welcome back to a few who have not been with us for awhile. Sorry about the delay with the teas as the boiler was not working and we had to wait for the kettles to boil. You know what they say about a watched kettle never boils, at least when in a hurry and waiting, it seems to take forever. Anyway, never mind, we got tea/coffee for everyone. The knitters were busy clicking their needles knitting the little bonnets. There are plenty of bonnets being knitted. I have collected up bonnets of different colours all beautifully knitted. I counted over seventy and there are more on the way. You are all truly great and have risen to the request. Also, there are knitted squares being made too for blankets for the Lourdes Pilgrimage. Gabrielle who is one of the Lourdes Committee is stitching them all into the blankets. There is a lot of work goes on behind the scenes that we don't all know about. It is wonderful to be able to put our talents together and contribute in whatever way we can to help, and you are all doing that in abundance.

We had a Thank You Card from the Clondalkin Direct Provision Centre thanking us for the gifts we left down to them at Christmas. Joan came up the idea that we would do a shoe box. It was hoped that we would have four boxes, one from each table. There was an over whelming response to this that we had fourteen boxes which went to the homeless in Dublin. Stuff kept coming in that we decided to donate the remainder to the Direct Provision Centre here in Clondalkin. They were so delighted. There was mostly underwear, socks, hats, gloves and pencils and colouring books. All very useful items to them to distribute to those in need when they arrive with little or nothing. Thank You all for this wonderful response. Again, rising to the occasion. We had a letter from South Dublin County Council Social Inclusion asking groups for ideas for the Bealtaine Festival. The ideas have to be focusing on Creativity as we age. We in the club have submitted entries in art, crafts and baking in the past years where most of us have been successful in winning prizes.

We finished off the morning with a few games of bingo when Peggy Murphy, Mary Leonard and Mary Farrell won three jackpots. Thanks to Collette and Stephen for teas, clear up and setting tables. Until next week take care. *Kathleen R*

The ANNUAL COLLECTION of ACCORD Dublin, the Diocesan Agency for Marriage and the Family, will be made at all Masses on the weekend of 15 & 16 Feb The Collection for ACCORD will replace the usual Share Collection. ACCORD Dublin throughout the Diocese offers:

- Marriage Preparation courses,
  - Counselling for couples and individuals experiencing difficulties in their relationships.
  - A Relationship and Sexuality Programme for schools.
  - ACCORD Dublin needs your support.
- Please give generously on 15 & 16 February



**WE NEED** local businesses to support, sponsor and advertise on the back page of our parish newsletter to ensure that we can keep this vibrant, colourful and dynamic format. We are endanger of losing this in early March if some local sponsors do not come onboard very soon. It is this sponsorship that pays for the printing and delivery of our newsletter. Since changing to this format over 3 years ago the uptake of the Parish Newsletter has went from 300 to over 750 on a weekly basis with even more engaging on line. It is a vital & valued communication, outreach and evangelisation tool for our parish. Thanks.

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**Friends of Newcastle Burial Ground Annual General Meeting** Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February @ 7.30pm  
 Old Schoolhouse, Newcastle Church Grounds All Welcome

You are invited to join with us for...

A Musical Service...

## A Celebration of Creation

Featuring choirs, groups and musicians from Sruleen, Bawnogue, Rowlagh & Neilstown parishes

**When: Thursday 27th Feb 2020**

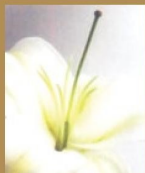
**Time: 7:30pm**

**Venue: Church of the Transfiguration Bawnogue Parish Church, Clondalkin, D22**

- Cuppa provided at the interval
- There will be donation boxes to cover expenses

Spread word - Invite your friends





• Burial or Cremation Service  
• Floral Service  
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• Horse Drawn Hearse

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Round Tower Gaa  
Social Committee are  
hosting a

**Valentines  
Afternoon Tea Dance**



**Music by: Bill Joyce**

Light Refreshments Served

Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2020 - Time: 4pm - 7pm

Cover Charge: €5.00 - All Welcome



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