



Clondalkin Village Parish

Immaculate Conception & St. Killian Church

Clonburris  **Knockmitten**

Parish Newsletter

Sunday 15th March 2020



Today's Gospel is a beautiful story of Jesus' encounter with the woman at the well. It is full of metaphor and you can approach it from many positions: the woman having an encounter, a spiritual experience, direction from God. Or Jesus, a spiritual guide, a teacher, a comforter, challenging. Notice how patient he is with her but he also challenges her to grow to what she is capable of. This woman experiences conversion and growth at this well, not just physical quenching of thirst, but a spiritual one. Jesus meets her where she is at. Not where she would like to be, not with expectations. He doesn't start by telling her that she is wrong or go straight into a theological discourse on how why she should be guilty nor does he try to give her advice on the best way to 'fix' herself. He shouldn't even have acknowledged her as she is clearly an outcast; a Samaritan woman with a reputation. Where are you really at? Can you let Jesus touch your story?



The story of this 'nameless' woman at the well gently screams to us that God loves us in spite of our tainted values or outlook. He loves us 'warts and all' and our story, our hesitance because of our past or because of how we see ourselves should never be a hinderance. God values us enough to actively seek us, to welcome us to intimacy, and to rejoice in our company and worship. As a result of Jesus' conversation, only a person like the Samaritan woman, an outcast from her own people, could understand what this means. To be wanted, to be cared for when no one, not even herself, could see anything of value in her. Do you truly know yourself as loved? Do we truly see others as loved, even wanted at times?

The woman returns to her village bubbling over with joy. Once she hears and really experiences the 'Good News' her first compulsion is to share it with others. In this era of uncertainty, stress and panic in light of the Corona virus the contagious nature of the joy of the encounter with Jesus spreads peace, dispels fear and gives profound hope. Something we greatly need at this time. So, this week, spend a bit of time thinking about where are the places in your life, (*relationships, activities, practices*) where your joy naturally wells up like a spring of living water? How can you visit this spring more often? How might you share the gift of life-giving water with others?

Frank Brown, PPW

We pray for all those in our country and throughout the world suffering from the Corona Virus. May its victims and their families be strengthened by the support of our community of faith and restored soon to full health. We also pray for our leaders and medical personnel who deal with the virus. May we keep calm and may we join together in solidarity with care and compassion to tackle this scare. This we ask in confidence through Christ Our Lord.

Amen

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

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not later than 4.30pm

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Altar Linen:
Flowers

CHURCH DUTY

Angela Minihan
No flowers during Lent

Thank
You

Monday 16th March - Miraculous Medal Novena after 10am Mass and Rosary.

Legion of Mary group meets in the Convent at **11.30am**

Tuesday 17th March - CCPC Intercessory Prayer for Clondalkin Cluster of Parishes. This Tuesday, group praying in Pastoral Centre for needs of the community after **7.30pm** Mass until **8.30pm**. All welcome. **PLEASE NOTE:** If anyone were free on St. Patrick's night we would very much appreciate if you could join us for this half-hour of intercessory prayer. Every Tuesday we beg St. Patrick's intercession for Ireland and we would hate to miss out this Tuesday on his feast day!

Wednesday 18th March - Charismatic Prayer Group - Our Lady Queen of Peace. This Wednesday, in Parish Pastoral Centre (downstairs) **8.00pm Lenten Evening Prayer of the Church** followed by **Charismatic Prayer Meeting**. Come & join us if you can.

Thursday 19th March - 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: In the Church **after 7.30pm Mass until 8.30pm**.

All welcome!

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.

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)

Mass times for Feast of Saint Patrick

Monday 16th : 7.30pm (Vigil)

Tuesday 17th: 9.00am,
10.30am & 7.30pm



Recently Deceased
LIAM O'KEEFE, Yellow Meadows
NIAMH BUCKLEY, Monastery

May they Rest in Peace

St. Joseph's Young Priests Society

This Thursday 19th March is the Feast Day of St. Joseph and members of the Society may not be aware that they have the special privilege of obtaining a plenary indulgence (under the usual conditions) on St. Joseph's Feast Day each year.

Saint Patrick in his own Words: Dublin Council of Churches presents *Saint Patrick in his own Words* on St. Patrick's Day 17th March at 6.00pm in Saint Patrick's Cathedral come along and join in the Ecumenical Celebration in word, song and traditional music.

For more information www.lutheran-ireland.org

Village Church

Sunday 15th March

6.30pm Vigil

Kathleen Dillon (2nd An) & Bob and Robbie Dillon (Rem), Dec'd members of the Byrne family & Marcella and Mary Anne Roche (MM), Thomas Stokes (Rem), Kathleen Nolan & Gretta Gallagher (Rem).
Anne Pownall (4th An)

10.30am Padraig Doyle (B'day Rem) & Patrick Doyle (An), Paddy Murray (B'day Rem) & Leonard and Nan Hanna (An)
Carmel Maguire (An)

12noon Brendan Kelly (5th An)
Mary & Brendan O'Riordan (An)
Rose & James McKenna (An)

1.00pm Mass for the African community

Tuesday 17th March - St. Patrick's Day

No **7.30am** Mass today.

Masses at 7.30pm (Vigil), 9.00am, 10.30am & 7.30pm

9.00am Billy Hogan

10.30am Katie & Jack Fitzgerald (Rem) & dec'd family members
Mary & Patrick Cosgrove & dec'd family members (Rem)

Wednesday 18th March

7.30pm Sean Harrington (1st An)

Friday 20th March

10.00am Nuala O'Connor (B'day Rem)

Sunday 22nd March

6.30pm Vigil Katie McDonald, Laurence O'Brien
Kathleen & Joe Fagan (An)

9.00am Mick Boner (60th B'day Rem)

10.30am Liam, Babs & Gay Norton (An)

12noon David Smith (12th An), Joan Peggs (1st An), Elizabeth & Nicholas West and Mary & Patrick Hendley (An)
Nuala O'Connor (9th An)

5.30pm Margaret Cummins (MM)

Clonburris

Saturday 14th March

6.30pm Kathleen McGovern (An)

Sunday 15th March

11.00am Bob Donoghue (An)

Paddy & Catherine McElligott (An)

PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2020

Will the pilgrims who have booked to go on the Parish Pilgrimage to Lourdes please note that the remainder of the fare is due to be paid before the **25th March**. Due to a cancellation, there is one seat available for anybody who may wish to join the Pilgrimage.

This seat needs to be booked immediately.



The pupils from Scoil Áine will join the congregation at the 10am Mass on **Friday 20th March**.

We pray, fast and perform the works of mercy in this time of grace, so that the Lord might find our hearts ready and fill them with the victory of his love. **Pope Francis**



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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Monday Club 9th March 2020

We had a much smaller group in the club this morning. There was a funeral so maybe a lot of the regulars were at the funeral.



May the person rest in peace. After the usual tea/coffee we had a bit of fun making an origami box. Most people got the jist of the creasing and folding. Origami is the Japanese art of paper folding. It is possible to make amazing things from paper folding, animals, birds, flowers and boxes to name a few. We tried making a box base by creasing and folding a square paper. When creased and folded the box will lock into place without the aid of glue or as someone said staple it together. We will get back to it again and make a complete decorated box for Easter.

Breda Grace, who used to be in the club before Joan and me wrote a book "Monday Miscellany 2003 – 2012". This is a collection of the articles written by Breda on the various goings on the Monday Club during the years mentioned. The book is a worthwhile read and costs €5. Proceeds go to St Vincent de Paul. A belated Happy 92nd Birthday to you Breda. We wish you health, happiness and peace in the year ahead.

We also discussed the Corona 19 virus and stressed the importance of hand hygiene. We are trying hard to be vigilant to make sure that we are following directions to try and keep safe. The kitchen was in a bit of a state after some people using it before us. There were very dirty cups, sugar bowls, plates, the floor was a mess and there was dirty water in the cutlery drawer. It is not the first time that I have experienced a similar mess. This is a pity that people take such an advantage of the facilities here and show so little respect for others coming in after them. Thanks to the lady who made the knitted blankets for the pilgrims going to Lourdes and for the bonnets received also. The lads from Moyle Park College will be coming next week to collect over two hundred bonnets which all of you have knitted. A "big thank you" to all who have knitted and risen to the request of the lads Thanks to Stephen, Collette and Joan for teas, set up and clean up, and to all who came and made the morning enjoyable. Next week "Timpeall Na Tithe" will be present to entertain us to get us in the mood for St Patrick's Day so hopefully we will have a good attendance. We will need it now with so many events being cancelled. Until then, take good care of yourselves.

Kathleen R

As per HSE Guidelines - We have been advised that until further notice the directions below are to be implemented:

- Holy Communion is to be received **in the hand**
- **No handshakes** during the sign of peace
- There is **no Holy Water** in the water fonts **Thank you**

St. Cillian's NS, Robinhood Road, Bluebell is holding an **85th Anniversary** event on **Thursday 2nd April**. Past pupils are being invited to the school between 1pm and 3pm to meet the students and see the school in action. There is a second event that evening between 6pm and 8pm where the school will be open and past pupils can come and look around the school and view old roll books, photos, etc.



In the meantime, we are going to gather any stories, photos or other memorabilia people may have, to display on the day. If you have anything, they can be sent to hscl@stcilliansns.net, WhatsApped to Colm on (086) 1425 945, dropped into the school or Colm can arrange for collection.

If you would like to come any bring any guests, just let us know in advance by phone or email (see above) so we can have an idea of numbers. Hopefully we will see you there!

Michelle O'Farrell, Principal, St. Cillian's NS



**Feast of St. Joseph -
Thursday 19th March**

...he is that just man, that wise and loyal servant, whom you placed at the head of your family. With a husband's love he cherished Mary, the virgin Mother of God. With fatherly love he watched over Jesus Christ your Son, conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit...
(from Preface of St. Joseph in the Mass of his feast)

Christian Meditation

"Be still and know that I am God"

Did you ever think of trying Christian Meditation?
Would you be interested in finding out more?

A group meets for half an hour each Monday evening
7.30 - 8.00pm in Srúleen Parish Church
(Green Park/Green Isle area)

NOTE: No meeting NEXT MONDAY nor the following two Mondays. Possible resumption on Monday of Holy Week - 6th April. Check Notices for update.

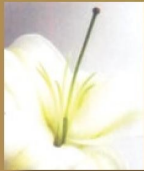
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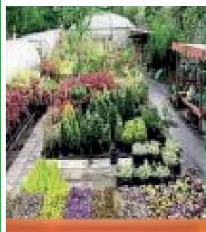


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