



Clondalkin Village Parish

Immaculate Conception & St. Killian Church

Clonburris  **Knockmitten**

Parish Newsletter

Sunday 5th April 2020



Palm Sunday and the Gospel is in the making on the streets

Today we celebrate Jesus triumphal arrival in Jerusalem. Everyone was out and about to welcomed Jesus, known to them as the new king, the healer, the miracle worker, the messiah, the son of Mary and Joseph. What a wonderful day. The king arrived in town on a donkey. The same animal that once brought Mary to Bethlehem for the birth of baby Jesus. The donkey symbolizes the peace Jesus was meant to bring to the city, to a nation. On the contrary our streets and the streets of the world are empty – no one should be outside. The coronavirus has arrived on every continent. And still, for some “normal” life continues by going to work going about their ministry. While many priests are cocooning as they are over 70s others have to make up for this shortage and minister to their best ability. Many priests are out and about to serve the people of God in a new, different way.

During the week I read an article about Cardinal Konrad Krajewski who is collecting food from factories and business in Rome to deliver it directly to people in need. For him it is like “a dream comes true” as he dreamt about being a milkman. He finds a parish to serve on the street of Rome. Cardinal Krajewski enjoys bringing the Gospel message alive and he urges priests all over the world to follow his example. **“Put away the theology books for now – there is a Gospel in the making on the street.”**

As we all know Italy has lost over ten thousand people to the Coronavirus. To hear a message of HOPE and LOVE is encouraging and surely inspiring.

We are all this this together, we all have to change our way of living this includes the church, the parish. The Church was never meant to be a building it was always meant to be the people of God – people like you and me and that Cardinal on the Street of Rome. Jesus knows all about it how quick life can change. Today he is being welcomed as a King. Tomorrow the same people turn against him. Today people are happy, encourage and sing “Blessed is he in the Name of the Lord”. Jesus knew that the same people would turn against him in the days ahead. Within days the wording changes from “Blessed is He in the Name of the Lord” to “crucify him”. Maybe as we are approaching the Holy Week we can ask ourselves where do we bring the Gospel alive in our homes, over our social media over the phone? Where do we praise the Lord and where are we shouting: crucify him?

To read the full article on Cardinal Konrad Krajewski follow this link

<https://cruxnow.com/vatican/2020/03/vatican-official-tells-clergy-there-is-a-gospel-in-the-making-on-the-streets/>

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 emergency.

This we ask in confidence through Christ Our Lord. Amen

Masses

Clondalkin Village

Sundays: (Vigil) Sat
6.30pm, Sunday 10.30am,
12 noon

All Behind Closed Doors

Weekdays (Mon – Fri)
7.30am 10am & 7:30pm.
Sat 10am

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Parish Office Hours

**Clondalkin: Mon-Fri 9:30 -
12:30**

**Closed to the public but
please contact through
Phone & Email**

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Time Table - As a vibrant and active worshipping community we have a great tradition of celebrating Holy Week, the Triduum and Easter Sunday. As we are following the guidelines during the pandemic we will have a redacted version of the ceremonies. On the mornings of Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday we will pray the morning prayer of the Church as we have in previous years. The Mass of the Lord's Supper will be at 7.30pm. Good Friday 3pm veneration of the Cross and the Easter Vigil will be at 9pm on Holy Saturday. All of these will be streamed via our Parish Webcam. On our Facebook page you can follow our prayer and reflections at 9am and in the evening. During this week we are having a Web retreat led by Fr. Kevin Doherty. It will be at 3.30pm starting on Monday. Kevin has entitled his retreat as 'I'm mad with the thirst' This will be available on both the Facebook and we came platforms. I would like to thank all on the team who are making extra efforts to facilitate our celebration of the Liturgical Celebrations this week.

Fr. Damian

Some important Parish information to keep you up-to-date

All Masses at the times on the front page are now behind closed doors -

You can follow all these on the parish webcam and the parish Facebook page. The Church building has had to close.

The Parish Office is closed to the public. Contact only via email and phone.

We are endeavouring to keep you connected with a full set of services at various times, etc through our parish webcam (accessible through www.clondalkinparish.com and social media - @TheCCPCDublin or @ClondalkinVillageParish

Each weekday on the parish webcam you can connect with- All masses at their times, Rosary after mass, the Angelus at 12noon & 6pm

Through our Facebook page we will live broadcast - A Thought for the day at 9am, A prayer at 3:30pm and 7:30pm. We will keep you updated with other live inputs - eg: Tuesdays 11am Lectio Divina, Wednesdays 7:30pm Book Club.

We will do our best to keep you updated as information unfolds - Keep calm & Healthy



Important Notice

The Parish Office & Church is closed to the public at present. However, parishioners who wish to have Mass offered for deceased family members, friends or other intentions, can contact the office by phone or email between **9.30am and 12.30pm, Monday to Friday (closed on Bank Holidays)**

Parish Office Contact Details:

Telephone No: (01) 459 3520

Email: Office@Clondalkinparish.com

Web: www.clondalkinparish.com

Don't forget you can tune into the parish radio and watch the parish webcam (through the parish website) to participate from home in daily and Sunday Masses rosary, reflections, etc. You can also keep in touch with parish activities on Facebook

@TheCCPCDublin, @Clondalkinvillageparish

The Parish Team is meeting weekly to review the current situation and will issue updates as appropriate.

YOUR COMMUNITY NEEDS YOU

In these unprecedented times we need to support those most in need

For the Clondalkin area we need:

- **Food items**
- **Drivers with transport** who can pick up donations from schools, shops and from people who donate and bring to the distribution point, and deliver the sorted items to those who need it.
- **Volunteers** who can help sort the food into crates and bags at the distribution point.
- Food should be in date, in unbroken packaging, and not need a fridge.
- There is no social contact involved in donating, picking up or delivering food.
- Drivers should have a full licence.
- Strict social distancing will be followed when sorting the food.



To register your donation or your availability to volunteer please contact:

Karin Jonsson, Quarryvale Family Resource Centre
085-202 0300, manager@quarryvalefric.ie

Supported by Clondalkin Helping Homeless and Clondalkin Family Support Network

Village Church



Sunday 5th April - Palm Sunday

10.30am Bella & Josie Broderick (An), William Beesley (An), Niamh Buckley (MM) Elizabeth & Timothy Kehoe (An)

12noon Seán Jones (MM) Kathleen Brannigan (MM) Jeremiah Farnon (An)

1.30pm Mass for the Polish community

Tuesday 7th April

10.00am James Kennedy (An) & dec'd family members Frances Curran, John Curran & Frances Jnr Curran (An)

Thursday 9th April - Holy Thursday

10.00am Morning Prayer

7.30pm Mass of the Last Supper

Friday 10th April - Good Friday

10.00am Morning Prayer

Saturday 11th April

10.00am Morning Prayer

9.00pm Vigil Mass for Easter Sunday

Sunday 12th April - Easter Sunday

10.30am Parishioners Intentions

12noon Parishioners Intentions

Recently Deceased

Sister Mary Paul, Des Kelly
Pat McEntaggart, Kevin Foyle,
Francis "Fran" Byrne
Tomasz Orzel, John Lynch
May they Rest in Peace



Please continue to donate to the upkeep of our Parish



Thank you

You can donate through the shrines or through by clicking **PayPal** the "Donate" button on the bottom of our website - www.clondalkinparish.com



Monday Club

I am just saying hello to all who attend the Monday Club and our readers of the newsletter. I hope and pray that you are all doing well during this difficult time for all of us. For some of us it will be a more difficult if we have family and grandchildren we cannot see close up but only from a distance or on skype if you have it. The telephone is the main source of communication for most of us. It is great to hear another voice other than what comes out of the radio or television. I know the media are doing their best to keep us all informed and entertained, but the voice that answers back is wonderful. We all need to keep the spirit up. For some of us this confinement can be difficult. We can use the time to pray for all those good and kind people who are working in very difficult circumstances, and those keeping supplies to the shops and all others involved in vital services but don't have the time or energy to pray. Work at this time is their prayer, so we are blessed that we have the time to do it for them. We must also remember those too who live in difficult situations who have no space to escape to, e.g. families living in cramped conditions, in violent situations, with young children and teenagers who would not be used to such restrictions on their lives, people who are lucky enough to have a job and work from home, with some of them having to work and keep young children occupied at the same time. Maybe we know someone critically ill and can't visit them. We also remember all those who have lost loved ones at this time and can't have the close comfort of those around them or a funeral as we are used to. It is very strange too having to attend Mass via the webcam. It is great to have it, but it is no substitute for being present in the church and receiving the Eucharist. I will never forget Tuesday morning at the 7.30am Mass when Fr Damian announced the news that Masses in churches would be behind closed doors until further notice. It was a shock to the system.

It is a time too to do things that kept being put on the long finger and maybe do something new that we never had time to do. I am trying to tidy my craft stuff and put some order on it and find things that I knew I had but did not know where I put it, and surprising myself with finds of things I did not know I had. I know we had so many items lined up for club in the weeks leading up to Easter, but all this is on hold for now. We also had planned to have an art and craft exhibition in the club in conjunction with the Bealtaine Festival, but again this is on hold. Now that we have this extra time on our hands we can think of something new and challenging to do for this exhibition whenever it takes place. I know so many of you do such beautiful knitting, crochet and paintings which are wonderful and of course baby bonnets.

Please God this will pass soon, and with the help of everybody it will. God only knows when we will be able to get back to the club again, but hopefully in the near future. Meanwhile, keep well and the spirit up. I miss our Monday mornings. We will have good times again.

Thanks to the Parish team and all involved in their roles in the church at this time. All doing a great job. I wish you all a very Happy and Holy Easter and stay safe.

Kathleen R



COVID-19 SUPPORT LINE FOR OLDER PEOPLE

ALONE has launched a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to the outbreak of COVID-19 (Coronavirus). Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. **The support line is open seven days a week 8am to 8pm by calling 0818 222 024**

South Dublin County Council

Helpline **01-4149043** with the lines initially open from 9am to 5pm seven days a week. Out of hours email contact through covidsupport@sducubincoco.ie

SeniorLine is a national, confidential listening service for older people, run by trained older volunteers. If you are feeling worried, stressed or isolated at this very unnerving time, please feel free to ring this FREEPHONE service anytime between 10am and 10pm on any day of the week on **1800 80 45 91**.

Age Action and the Irish Red Cross have raised funds to provide additional assistance to older and vulnerable people around Ireland who are experiencing hardship as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic by making once-off grants, up to a maximum of €500, per person/household affected.

Email: hardship2020@redcross.ie

Phone: **Irish Red Cross at 01 6424600 or**

Tel: (01) 475 6989 Lo Call: 1890 369369

Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock

Following the Government's decision/guidance on COVID-19, it has been decided that this year's annual Diocesan Knock Pilgrimage 2020 will be postponed until further notice. At the heart of this difficult decision is the welfare of our pilgrims. Instead, we are inviting people to make a virtual pilgrimage to Knock on **Saturday 25th April** by joining in the Masses broadcast from Knock and visit the Apparition Chapel all online at

<https://www.knockshrine.ie/watch-live/>

In the meantime, stay safe.

Our Lady of Knock pray for us



WORTH CHECKING OUT

Because there are a lot of resources out there we are working alongside a number of community groups in the area to compile/consolidate a list of useful, general resources online into one place – Under a few main headings. We will update this as we go along. We are also hoping to have a local one available for early next week.

So if you have any to add please send them on to us and we'll include them.

You can download, view, etc this from our website

www.clondalkinparish.com/?p=4112

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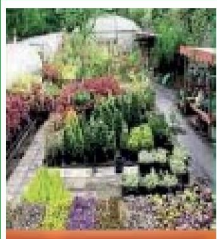


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