

Clondalkin Village Parish

Immaculate Conception & St. Killian Church

Clonburris  **Knockmitten**

Parish Newsletter

Sunday 26th July 2020



The Pearl of Great Price

This Sunday's Gospel from Saint Mathew contains the extract 'Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a dragnet cast into the sea that brings in a haul of all kinds. When it is full, the fishermen haul it ashore; then, sitting down, they collect the good ones in a basket and throw away those that are no use. This is how it will be at the end of time: the angels will appear and separate the wicked from the just to throw them into the blazing furnace where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth.'



There is a story told of a Sunday sermon given by Ian Paisley in his Free Presbyterian Church on the end of times - and in particular on the Day of Judgement. As he reached the climax of his address, he said that on the Day of Judgement "there would be wailing and gnashing of teeth". At which point an old woman put up her hand and said, "Dr. Paisley, I have no teeth" Paisley replied "Madam, teeth will be provided." There are several people who claim to have been present on the famous day yet when one tries to ascertain the accuracy of the story no one comes forward to affirm its veracity. Older people think it was the comedian Dave Allen impersonating Ian Paisley who first came up with the line.

For me, the line from today's Gospel which simultaneously challenges and consoles me is the merchant who, when finding the pearl of great price, sells everything he owns and buys it. The challenging question to ask is what is our pearl of great price and is it an unhealthy or healthy pearl? What do we think about when we awake and before we go to sleep at night? I once heard a groom on the day of his wedding during his post dinner speech describing his new wife as a pearl of great price to which his now father-in-law piped up "Tell me about it; I've just got the bill for the wedding" It is often the simplest things in life or those we love very much that can mean the most to us. Hopefully, our faith is one of our pearls and we treasure it as we would a valuable pearl.

I have written some words about a different type of treasure on page two.

Fr. Damian

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 10.00am, 12 noon

Weekdays

(Mon – Sat) 10am

Clonburris

6.30pm Sat & 11am Sun

*Mass in Irish returns on first Sunday in August the 2nd at 9am

Knockmitten

Sundays

11.00am and 2.00pm (Polish)

Mon & Fri 10.00am

Wed 7.00pm

Parish Office Hours

Clondalkin: Mon-Fri

9:30 am - 12:30pm

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A Word From Fr. Damian

Dear Parishioner,

Just a little piece about parish finances. Firstly, thank you to all those who have sent in their green envelopes or white for Knockmitten and blue for Clonburris. These family offering envelopes provide the bulk of the income to the Parish. I thank the collectors who brought them to the office and our staff and volunteers who counted and tallied the collection etc. I appreciate that many people left donations in the safe and sent in the family offering by cheque or bankers draft. Deirdre is processing them at the moment along with the Easter Dues which are still coming in and are also being processed at this time. The Archdiocese supplied envelopes for the first collection and Share collection respectively and monies received have been forwarded to the appropriate bank accounts.

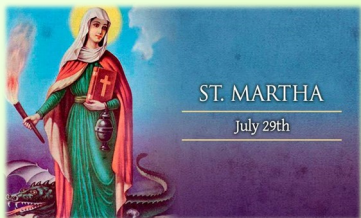
During the lockdown we received donations for other charities such as Concern, Trocaire and the local conference of the Saint Vincent De Paul Society. These have been passed on or will be very shortly. I'm concerned that the Vincent De Paul Society has suffered a loss in its collection due to the Church being closed to public Mass for a few months. Should you wish to make a donation to the work of the Society please leave an envelope in the safe, the collection bucket at Mass or to the parish office marking it "Vincent De Paul".

Fr. Damian



Feast of St. Martha - 29th July

The sister of Mary and Lazarus of Bethany. Honoured for her confession of faith in the Lord in which she beseeched him to restore life to her dead brother (John 11:27). Noted too for her hospitality to Jesus and her concern for the details of service to guests.



Martha is the patron saint of active, practical women, perhaps unfairly contrasted with her more laid back and "contemplative" sister Mary. But Martha is also the woman of faith, who said: "I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, the one who was to come into the world" (Jn 11:27). In Aramaic the name Martha means "the lady, the mistress", the feminine counterpart of "the master". In the incident described by Luke 10:38-42, Martha is introduced as the woman who "welcomed Jesus into her house". So hospitality is her paramount virtue. This probably accounts for her cult as the patron saint of food professionals, butlers, hotel-keepers and home-makers and why she is often depicted in art with a ladle, a broom or a set of keys as her symbol. When Martha asked Jesus if it didn't concern him that Mary was leaving her to do the serving all by herself, Jesus's reply of praise Mary for having "chosen the better part that would not be taken from her" must have disconcerted her. It could even be interpreted as a rebuke. But in the Gospel of John, Martha appears in two incidents that puts her in a more favorable light. According to legend, after Jesus' death, Martha left Judea around AD 48, and went to Provence with her sister Mary and her brother Lazarus.

(Taken from Catholic Ireland - Archive of the Saints)

Feast Days This Week

Wednesday 29th July - St. Martha

Thursday 30th July - St. Peter Chrysologus

Friday 31st July - St. Ignatius of Loyola

Saturday 1st August - St. Alphonsus Ligouri

Support Line for Older People - ALONE manage 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, **8.00am – 8.00pm**, by calling **0818 222 024**.

Make sure you pay attention to what's right with your life, not just what's wrong.

Norman Vincent Peale

Village Church



Sunday 26th July

6.30pm Vigil Gertie Fitzsimons (MM)
Fr. Tommy Hughes (25th An)

10.00am Mary & William Cashin (An)
John, Lucy & Olive Corcoran (An)
Desmond & Ruby Archibald (An)
Kathleen McCormick (An)

12noon Sheila Kelleher (1st An)

Monday 27th July

10.00am Teresa Flanagan (An)

Tuesday 28th July Deirdre Anderson &
Dessi McGuirk (Special Intention)

First Communion Mass for two children.

Please Note: Seating priority will be given to their families.

Sunday 2nd August

6.30pm Vigil Ossie Murphy (1st An)
Ann Martin (An), John Talbot (B'day Rem)

10.00am Tommy Curran (An)

12noon Olive, John & Lucy Corcoran (An)



Recently Deceased

Patrick Maher

May he rest in peace

The Irish Hospice Foundation - National Freephone Service

Have you been impacted by a bereavement during COVID-19? Are you finding it difficult to cope with a bereavement at this time? Would it help to talk to someone in confidence about your loss? The Irish Hospice Foundation Bereavement Support Line is a national freephone service - **1800 80 70 77** - available from 10.00am to 1.00pm, Monday to Friday.

How can teachers support bereaved children

Irish Childhood Bereavement Network and Irish Hospice Foundation is hosting a free online webinar on 11th August from 2 - 3pm. This webinar is aimed towards teachers to help them prepare for bereavement questions/issues that may arise when schools open at the end of August. This is a free event but booking is required. Further information and booking process for this event can be found on the following link:

www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/how-can-teachers-support-bereaved-children-in-the-classroom-tickets-113560564706

Did You Know

World Friendship Day, also known as International Day of Friendship takes place on 30th July.



The first World Friendship Day was proposed for 30 July 1958 by the World Friendship Crusade, an International civil organisation that campaigns to foster a culture of peace through friendship. Many years later, in 2011, the 30th July was declared as the International Day of Friendship by the General Assembly of United Nations.

With the growing popularity of social media throughout the world, there has been an increase in celebrating World Friendship day and International Day of Friendship online as well as with community activities in local communities aimed at bringing those of different backgrounds together.

Bring a friend to mind and reflect on what you appreciate about them. Let yourself feel good about that and let that feeling soak into your bones for 20-30 seconds. Say a little prayer of 'thanks' for them. Let them know how much they mean to you!!

A Prayer for my Friend

Dear God,
Thank you for bringing such a special friend into my life. I feel truly blessed for the opportunity to share times both good and bad with someone who understands. I ask that you continue to bless our friendship.
Amen

Here are some Friendship Day celebration ideas to help you make the occasion a memorable one.

- Write/Make a card for your friend telling them how much you appreciate their friendship. Be open in your expression and spill out your heart to them!
- Buy or make them a small present such as flowers, chocolates, friendship bands, a cake, or anything that your friend will appreciate! Maybe leave the gift anonymously for added intrigue!
- Give a warm/virtual hug to your friend and let them know that they have a special place in your heart!
- Call, Whatsapp or SMS every one of your friends, old and new, on Friendship Day to let them know you care.
- Ring up a radio station and dedicate a song to Friendship Day and your friends!
- Make some new friends on the occasion by doing a Random Acts of Kindness
- Give your friend a Friendship Bracelet (*made or bought*) to symbolize your friendship.
- Make an album or collage of you and your friends enjoying yourselves!
- Prepare a playlist that features all the songs that define your friendship or ones that you just happen to mutually like!
- Send an e-card and say thanks to friends on social media
- Make a special friendship book for your best friend. Include photos, quotes and poetry telling your friends how special they are.
- Plan a special day with your best friend or friendship group!
- Give them or write them a special friendship prayer!!

GOOD FRIENDS

care for each other..

CLOSE FRIENDS

understand each other, But

True Friends

Stay forever..
beyond words,
beyond distance,
beyond time...

A thought for this Sunday for our Polish Parishioners.

Thanks Chris



Pan Bóg ma dla ciebie plan. Bóg ma plan dla każdego z nas. Chce, abyśmy odnaleźli „pole i ukryty skarb” i oddali wszystko, co mamy, byleby tylko osiągnąć ten skarb i wykorzystać go do budowania Królestwa Bożego w naszym codziennym życiu. W pierwszym czytaniu widzimy Salomona, który już odnalazł ten skarb, zdał sobie sprawę, co on dla niego oznacza i poprosił Boga, aby pozwolił mu mądrze wykorzystać ten dar dla dobra swego ludu. W ten sposób budujemy Królestwo Boże na ziemi. Pomyśl już dzisiaj, jakie dary i skarby już posiadasz, i poproś Boga o Ducha, abyś mógł zacząć używać tych darów do budowania Bożego Królestwa.

God has a plan for you. God has a plan for each of us. He wants us to find "the field and the hidden treasure" and give everything we have to possess this treasure and use it to build the Kingdom of God in our daily lives. In the first reading, we see Solomon, who had already found this treasure, realized what it meant for him and asked God to let him use this gift wisely for the good of his people. In this way, we are building God's Kingdom on earth. Think about what gifts and treasures you already have, and ask God for the Spirit so that you can begin using those gifts to build God's Kingdom.



An amazing piece of graffiti art done this week in Bawnogue Community Centre... the young people wanted to create a positive piece to display in the community to promote some of the simple things that make us happy during this hard time of Covid 19. **Well done!!**

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South Dublin CYPSC is working collaboratively with its member agencies to provide information and resources to reassure children, young people and families that there is support and information available throughout this period of change. Click on the link below.

<https://www.cypsc.ie/south-dublin/resources.303.html>



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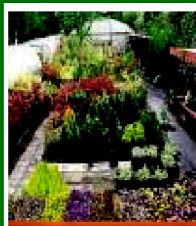
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- LAUREL
- BUXUS
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With the Covid causing many problems
 with funerals and family meetings
 we can now offer

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 to you at a total cost of

40 Wallet cards €80.00

20 Wallet cards €60.00