



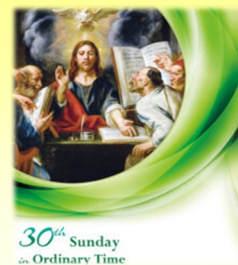
Clondalkin Village Parish

Immaculate Conception & St. Killian Church

Clonburris  **Knockmitten**

Parish Newsletter

Sunday 25th October 2020



30th Sunday
in Ordinary Time

Be Kind ... Be Loving ... Be Caring

As over the past six Sundays, we find Jesus today in conflict with Jewish leaders who are out to destroy him. So today's Gospel begins with yet another trick question, yet another trap, designed to ensnare or incriminate Jesus. But on this occasion, we hear no answering word of sharp rebuke or harsh condemnation. Instead we have just his luminous response, about the two-fold commandment of love. It's spoken without any hesitation, and with total authority; so simple yet so profound; a distillation of all His own teaching, and of all divine revelation; few words, yet shot through with the Holy Spirit, and with wisdom; words that touch our deepest yearnings, and that come to us as refreshment, and consolation, and blessing. Today's Gospel is one of those passages that seem so simple on the surface, but when we begin to realise what is being asked of us, we can see how challenging it actually becomes. Love the Lord your God, with all your heart, soul, and mind. Can we honestly look at ourselves and say that every part of our emotional life, our spiritual life, and our intellectual life is freely given to God daily? And how about the commandment to love our neighbour as ourselves? Do we truly treat the people around us in a way that reflects how we want people to treat us in return?

St John says *God is love, and whoever abides in love, abides in God, and God abides in him* (1 Jn 4:16). So **Love** is the template, the starting point and the measure. We need to **SEE** and **BE** love. St Mother Teresa probably put it best when she said, "*Be the love you want to see in this world*". This challenge, this call remains as poignant today as it did 2000 years ago. For a second close your eyes and hear Jesus speaking these words to you, where you are, in these strangest and most difficult of times. How do you respond? How will I respond?

Today we celebrate **MAD (Make a Difference) SUNDAY**. The day is just a focus for something we should do and many are doing every day. During this Covid crisis we have been made more aware how connected we are and how much of what we do affects others. Today we are asking you to reach out, spread a bit of kindness and make a difference. Highlight the stories of the heroes in your community. There are so many doing fabulous works of kindness and compassion in our community that go unseen, un-noticed and sometimes un-thanked. So this is an open invitation to everyone – seriously everyone, anywhere, any age, any background, and any religion. We encourage ALL people to make a conscious effort to do at least one simple thing to help another & share it on social media with the **#MADSunday** to help, support, inspire, give hope & encourage others! It can be as simple as saying thank you, sharing a positive message, tidying a park, sending a note of encouragement,...

So let's take up the challenge of today's Gospel and

create & promote a culture of love, kindness & care!!

Frank Brown, Parish Pastoral Worker

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
Weekdays
(Mon – Sat) 10am

All Behind Closed Doors
Clonburris
Church Closed

Knockmitten
Church Closed

Parish Office Hours
Clondalkin: Mon-Fri 9:30 - 12:30
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A word from Fr Damian – I asked you last week to send me a few of the things that are keeping you positive, keeping you spirits up - Thanks to those who sent them in and I ask & encourage you to **Please keep them coming** - Here's a few we've received - **Take care, Damian.**



- Time and again during recent months we have heard people wishing for a "return to normality". Yet when we think about this there seems to be no such thing - what one person might welcome as normal might be unwelcome to someone else. Therefore it seems that what we all really crave is freedom - the precious freedom to come and go as we please, which we may have been too busy to appreciate up to now, and which will be valued all the more when this pandemic has passed. Keeping this thought in mind may go some way towards helping us to stay positive. **Anne**
- *What is helping me to stay positive is the unexpected calls from groups, family members and friends that always seem to come at the right time!* **Paul**
- Every morning I meet online with my sister and daughter for a chat and a little prayer - Didn't even know how to do this a year ago!! Its become a God sent and we wouldn't have done it without this. Its become a precious thing and sets the day off beautifully. - **Jean**
- *Everyday I count all my blessings - My family, my friends, my health and even something as simple as I have another day* - **Gerry**
- Each day, at the dinner table with my children, I ask them to name the positive things that happened today and we share them and talk about them. It really gives the whole family a lift. Even if you find it hard to think of something yourself - **Alison**

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

Tuesday 27th October St. Otteran
Wednesday 28th October Ss Simon and Jude
Thursday 29th October St. Colman
Saturday 31st October Bl. Dominic Collins



SCOIL ÁINE PRIMARY SCHOOL Annual Admissions Notice

Scoil Áine enrolments for the school year 2021/22

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COVID-19 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,
8am - 8pm, by calling **0818 222 024**

Village Church



Sunday 25th October

6.30pm Vigil Robert Mill (2nd An)
Anne & Joe Cullen (An)

10.00am Bobbie & Vincent Norton (An)
Annie Lanney (An)

Kevin, Bridie & Catherine Kavanagh (An)
12noon Esther, Dessie, Liam & Phyllis Buggy (An)
Michael Buckley (14th An), Aisling Lawlor (1st An),
Seamus Ryan (28th An), Henry & Teresa Nolan (An)

Tuesday 27th October

10.00am Anne Flanagan (An)

Wednesday 28th October

10.00am Sadie Cahill (B'day Rem)

Sunday 1st November

6.30pm Vigil Michael Broderick (An)
Margaret Mullaney & dec'd members of the Mullaney family

10.00am Joseph Moloney (B'day Rem)
Alex Savostikovas (Rem)

12noon Deceased members of Clondalkin Bridge Clubs, Jane Courage (2nd An)



RECENTLY DECEASED

Brian Minnock, Pauline Gilligan,
Sean McConalogue, Jackie Colgan,
Ronnie Desmond, Patricia Mary O'Donovan.
May they rest in peace

BLESSED DOMINIC COLLINS, Martyr - Feast Day 31st October - Dominic Collins was born into a leading Catholic family in Youghal, Co Cork, in 1566. The local people recognised Elizabeth of England as Queen in Ireland, but did not want Anglicanism as the new religion. So when the Desmond Rebellion was crushed (1583), there was little else for a young Catholic man of ambition to do but to seek a career on the continent. Sailing to France, Dominic enlisted in the Catholic army of the Duke of Mercœur and quickly became a military governor. In 1598 he met the Jesuit priest, Father Thomas White from Clonmel, who had earlier founded the Irish College at Salamanca and had come to La Coruña to hear the confessions of Irish soldiers during Lent. Dominic confided

in Fr White his intention of joining the Jesuits. Fr White explained the difficulties of studies for the priesthood. Dominic said was happy to be a Jesuit brother. Dominic was admitted to the novitiate in Santiago de Compostela. Here he proved his mettle when the Jesuit College was struck by a plague. Dominic tended the victims, nursing some of them back to health and comforting the others in their last hours. At this time Ireland was in turmoil. An Irish Jesuit, Father James Archer asked that Dominic, who knew the needs of soldiers, be sent with him to Ireland. During the siege, Dominic, though a veteran of many battles, could not as a religious take part in the fighting, but he could and did give bodily and spiritual assistance to the wounded and the dying. Taken to Youghal on 31st October 1602, he was marched by a troop of soldiers through the streets to the place of execution – the first time he had seen his home town in fifteen years.



From that day he was venerated as a martyr in Youghal and his fame quickly spread throughout Ireland and Europe.

U.N. WORLD CITIES DAY : 31st October 2020 Valuing Our Communities and Cities

The impact of COVID-19 has re-shaped urban life around the world. Local communities have played a key role in contributing to keeping people safe and maintaining some economic activities. Community value encompasses local volunteering and people organizing in their own neighbourhoods as well as social movements that challenge poverty, systemic discrimination and racism. In informal settlements and slums in particular, communities are making a significant contribution while individual households in urban areas are providing an enabling environment for work and study in the home.

UN-Habitat's latest World Cities Report reinforces the benefits of cities that engage all stakeholders, including local communities to foster sustainable cities. The Secretary-General has identified cities and communities as being on the frontline of the COVID-19 response. Collectively, we can truly foster sustainable cities for all.

Community activities can no longer be taken for granted or under-resourced. Policy makers and urban managers need to engage communities systematically and strategically in urban planning, implementation and monitoring to co-create the cities of the future.

A Timely Reminder !

Daylight Saving Time ends on **Sunday 25th October** at 2.00am so don't forget to put your clocks and watches back by one hour.



To all the parishioners, friends and visitors to our parishes

Just a short note for you from us to say..."

th Never underestimate the nk
the Inspiration that YOU are and k
the DIFFERENCE that
t. YOU make!
40 **THANK YOU**
#MADSUNDAY

A thought for this Sunday for our Polish Parishioners Thanks Chris



Today's readings invite us to look at each person we encounter with a merciful love. To show our faith in God in our schools or workplaces by behaving like disciples of Jesus. Why? Because we were put in those places for a reason, so the Holy Spirit can have an opportunity to work through us. Not necessary to proclaim the Gospel with our lips, but our mission is to open ourselves to others, so they can read the Gospel that is written in our hearts.

Dzisiejsze czytania zachęcają nas, byśmy spojrzeli na każdego człowieka z miłością miłosierną. Byśmy pokazywali naszą wiarę w Boga w naszych szkołach lub miejscach pracy, zachowując się jak uczniowie Jezusa.

Dlaczego? Ponieważ nie bez powodu zostaliśmy umieszczeni w tych miejscach, jesteśmy tam po to aby Duch Święty mógł przez nas działać. I niekoniecznie musimy głosić Ewangelię słowem, naszą misją jest otwarcie się na innych, aby mogli czytać Ewangelię, która jest zapisana w naszych sercach.

At the moment many are struggling to afford enough food for themselves and their families. Covid-19 has made life extra difficult because of job losses, payments being made every two weeks instead of every week, more people eating at home and for many other reasons. Meanwhile bills stay the same and must still be paid.

There is help here in our community. With the support of St. Vincent de Paul Food Bank there is food available once a week for pick-up for those who need it. You register by **phoning 087 761 8586** and you can choose to pick up your food either in Bawnogue or in Quarryvale.



If you need some food support once, for a few weeks or for a longer time, please don't wait to make the call.



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Huge Congratulations to the students from St Kevin's CC for completing their Ember faith leadership training this week. You are an inspiration!!



Do not dwell in the past, do not dream of the future, concentrate the mind on the present moment.
Buddha



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