# Clondalkin Village Parish Immaculate Conception \& St. Killian Church Clonburris $\#$ Knockmitten Parish Newslettersunday 29th November 2020 



GIVE ME $\mathcal{H} O \mathcal{P E}$ O LORD $\mathcal{T H}$ IS $\mathcal{A D V E \mathcal { N } T}$
It is hard to believe that Advent has arrived already. Long time readers of my columns will be aware that I have tried, often unsuccessfully to highlight the importance of Advent as a separate and distinct liturgical season often trampled upon under the stampede towards Christmas. There are four elements to Advent, Hope, Peace, Joy and Love. This week we will concentrate on HOPE. Christian hope is grounded in the character of God. It is a hope rooted in the love and faithfulness of God. Hope is not wishful thinking but a firm assurance that God can be relied upon.

Following on from the success of our Advent resources of prayer, reflection, and action in recent years this Advent we are providing some new activities. Please tune in to our Facebook page every morning at 09.00 from today until Christmas eve where you may hear and watch our Local Living Advent Calendar with contributions from families and individuals from Clondalkin. At 12.30 page we have 'Walking Advent with the Scriptures' where people from different Christian denominations all over Ireland lead us in a short reflection with our daily Scripture Calendar which you may download from our website, an initiative of the CCPC. This is in addition to our regular contributors. If you do not know how to access our Facebook page do ask your children or grandchildren, our page can be found at @TheCCPCDublin and there is no need to sign up to Facebook. If that has not wettened your appetite Christina Malone is hosting a Whatsapp reflection each day during Advent and is available by contacting her on 0857162152


## FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

Monday 30th November
Thursday 3rd December
Friday 4th December

St. Andrew, Apostle
St. Francis Xavier
St. John Damascene

## INTERNATIONAL VOLUNTEERS DAY 2020 Saturday 5th December

International Volunteer Day (IVD) on 5 December was designated by the United Nations in 1985 as an international observance day to celebrate the power and potential of volunteerism.
It is an opportunity for volunteers, and volunteer organisations, to raise awareness of, and gain understanding for, the contribution they make to their communities. The act of volunteering is found in all cultures, languages, and religions. Each year, hundreds of millions of people volunteer their time and skills to help make the world a better place. When they volunteer, they help to improve the lives of others. And when they volunteer, they also gain a greater sense of belonging to their communities. On 5 December, people around the world will celebrate IVD with rallies, parades, volunteer fairs, group clean ups, blood donations, conferences, exhibitions, fundraising, workshops and volunteer recognition events.

## Saint Francis Xavier Feast Day 3rd December

Born in 1506 in Navarre (Spain); died on $3^{\text {rd }}$ December in 1552 off the coast of China. Francis Xavier met Ignatius of Loyola while both were studying in Paris and became one of the first Jesuits. At Ignatius' request, Francis went to Goa (India) as a missionary and travelled extensively through southeast Asia to Japan, winning converts and organizing Christian communities. Francis Xavier was noted for the simplicity of his lifestyle and for his tireless missionary zeal.

Something
Different for
Advent 2020 MY ADVENT REREIT


An Advent Retreat for Busy people - Advent is on the horizon and I know this is, and is going to be a busy and uncertain time for so many - so we are just encouraging you to make sure to make a little space to look after yourself. Here is a little gift for you to help you to take a bit of time this Advent - Share it with all the other Busy people you know Take from it what you need. -
You can download, print it from www.clondalkinparish.com/?page_id=3747

'Working (socially distanced) with like-minded friends is such a pleasure.'

The Global Garden, Clondalkin

Thanks Maeve!

## Village Church

Sunday 29th November

## Wednesday 2nd December

10.00am Patricia Hayden (1st An)

Thursday 3rd December
10.00am Elsie Naughton (B'day Rem) Friday 4th December - First Friday of the Month Sunday 6th December
6.30pm Vigil Peg \& Donal Lynch (An) Joseph Ledwig (3rd An), Wendy White (An) 10.00am James (Jnr) and Alice Norton (An) 12noon Minnie Murphy (1st An)

## Free Covid Bereavement Counselling

If you have lost loved ones through bereavement during the
Covid period and would like to talk to someone in confidence, contact Eileen at covidbereavementcounselling@gmail.com Because of H\&S restrictions, Sessions are online through Zoom Mon.-Wed. 10 -5pm
You can make a donation if you wish


Recently Deceased PHYLLIS LYNCH, JOHN FLYNN

May They Rest in Peace
On Thurs last, there was a remembrance event online organised by various groups and agencies throughout Clondalkin, ourselves included, which went live on a new website www.clondalkincares.com being developed for the Clondalkin Community. If you missed it be sure to take a look and www.clondalkincares.com/clondalkinremembers26nov/
Then on Friday on the site a Clondalkin/D22 online Book of Remembrance was launched for all connected with our community who have lost a loved one during these most un-normal of times. You can register, put up a photo and details of your loved one, a short word about them and a few words of encouragement for others. This is a great tribute and memorial from our community. So encourage all to take a look and add to the book of remembrance because as a community we acknowledge \& share the loss, we feel the grief and we offer support \& care.

The present moment is filled with joy and happiness. If you are attentive, you will see it.


Thich Nhat Hanh

## ENROLMENTS FOR OUR LADY QUEEN OF THE APOSTLES CLONBURRIS NATIONAL SCHOOL

If you have a child whom you wish to begin school in September 2021 and you have not already enrolled him/her, please call into the school and fill in a form or download a form from the school website www.clonburrisns.ie Closing date for applications is 31 ${ }^{\text {st }}$ January 2021. I would appreciate if you would inform a friend or neighbour, who has a child who will be ready for school in September, and who will not have a copy of this newsletter, of the necessity of enrolling early. It is important that a Birth Certificate be attached with the enrolment form. Enrolments will be processed and places allocated in February 2021.
Please call the school on 014573636 for any further info.
Fiona Morley, Principal

I Wait, I Wartch, I Hope


25 Advent Impulses send by WhatsApp
one Impulse every day during the Season of Advent Want to join contact
Christina Malone, PPW 0857162152 or Christina.malonecdublindiocese.ie


We are inviting you to join with us for Walking Advent with the Scriptures

Jouneging Together:through Advent

Each week
Download and Share
The Daily Scripture Calendar -
With the scripture reference and a short
thought, focus for each day
\&
A short video input for each day from representatives of the different Christian Denominations from around Ireland

## Week 1 Contributors

29th Nov - Frank Brown, Parish Pastoral Worker in the Combined Catholic Parishes of Clondalkin
30 Nov - Revd Cathy Hallissey, Rector, Powerscourt Col
Ist Dec - Mark Acheson, CO1, works at Abbey Presbyterian Church
2nd Dec - Br Terence Harrington OFM Cap, Capuchin
3 rd Dec- Fr Kieran O'Mahony OSB,Augustinian 4th Dec - Fr Patrick McCafferty, Parish Priest of Corpus Chisti Parish in West Beffost.
5th Dec- Natalie Doherty-Faith Development Officer with the Dublin Diocese working in the parishes of Kilhamanagh/Castleview

## A thought for this Sunday for our Polish Parishioners - Thanks Chris

Rozpoczynamy dzisiaj nowy rok liturgiczny, czas Adwentu. Idąc za słowami św. Pawła, dziękujmy Bogu za wszystkich nauczycieli i kaznodziejów oraz za wszystkich świadków Chrystusa, którzy prowadzili nas do Ducha Świętego w ciągu ostatnich 12 miesięcy. Przygotujmy się na nowy początek. Jezu, rozedrzyj niebiosa i zejdź na dół, i pozwól naszym grzesznym sercom przemienić się w Twojej Obecności.

We are beginning a new liturgical year, a time of Advent. Following St Paul's words, let's be thankful to God for all teachers and preachers, and all witnesses to Christ who led us to the Holy Spirit in the last 12 months. Let's prepare ourselves for the new beginning. Jesus, tear the heavens open and come down, and let our sinful hearts melt at your Presence.


Food Donations can be brought to the school or left into Clondalkin Village Parish office or Ronanstown Youth Service Monday \& Tuesday from 10am-3pm
All food collected will be distributed to families and individuals in need in our local area

## If you need Food Support please register on <br> 01-855 0022 or 01-436 2895 and ask to pick up weekly either in Bawnogue or in Quarryvale.

Food and essential items list
All food is welcome, (baked beans, cereal, pasta, rice, tea etc.), and should be in date and in unbroken and undamaged packaging. Nothing should need
We try to avoid anything with peanuts.


The food items we especially welcome include:

- Coffee, (instant)
- Cooking sauces, e.g. for pasta, curry etc.

Crackers
Juice in 1 litre cartons or sets of individual cartons. Marmalade: for some reason we often have jam, but never marmalade!
Meat: tins/jars of e.g. hot dogs, meatballs and pies. Tinned fruit
Tinned vegetables: we often have peas and sometimes sweet corn, but other varieties are rare.
Treats! The focus is on essential food but everyone deserves a treat, e.g. biscuits, chocolates, crisps, packets of concentrated jelly-cubes, ready-made custard etc.

## Hygiene products

General
Body lotion, Hand sanitizing gel, Hand soap, Loo rolls, Shampoo or shampoo/conditioner, Shower gel,

Tooth brushes, Tooth paste
For men
Deodorant, Razors
Deodorant, Razors, Sanitary towels, Tampons


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