



Clondalkin Village Parish

Immaculate Conception & St. Killian Church

Clonburris  **Knockmitten**

Parish Newsletter

Sunday 10th January 2021



The new year is only ten days old and many people, including myself, feel highly motivated this time of a year. New year's resolutions like eating healthier, more sport, less screen time only to name some of the typical ones out there. I am also someone that particularly likes the time between Christmas and Epiphany, the so called twelve days of Christmas. I am taking my time to let go of the old and welcome the new. I use this time to reflect on the previous twelve months.

Deep down I have a serious number of conversations (*another word for prayer*) going on between God and myself.

Questions like:

What did I learn? What challenges did I face? What do I have let go moving forward? What happened to the dreams and hopes I had for the year? Where were YOU in all of this?

For me, it is a time with huge energy of letting go and being realistic, where am I now? Am I a better person than I was twelve months ago? Did I grow (spiritually?) What do I want to carry over with for 2021 and what are my hopes and dreams?

I find this mini retreat extremely helpful. Obviously, I am aware not all dreams come true. But I am happy to give it some time and energy and believe in "dreaming big". And once I write it all down, I am happy to hand it over to God and trust that the right things are going to happen. Especially after the year we all had, to dream big helps me to focus. What is important? What do I need? What do I want to achieve? Where is God in all of this? Where do I see / feel / experience him?

As we are celebrating the Baptism of our Lord today, I am inviting you to give this mini retreat a go. Jesus started his ministry after HIS baptism. What is your plan for 2021? We all know that God gave each of us talents and gifts. How do you think you will use them in the next twelve months? What is it that you deeply desire?

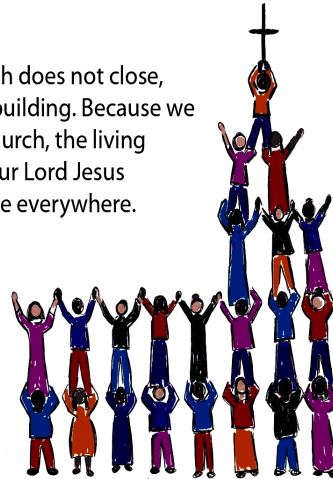
God knows the depths of our hearts better than we do and HE knows what we need. But now and again there is no harm in dreaming ahead. Even, and maybe especially during this time of a pandemic. Why not give it a go?

Pope Francis always encourages us to dream big. In his latest book called "Let us dream. The path to a better future" it reads: "Let's talk about how. Let's allow God's words to Isaiah to speak to us: Come, let us talk this over. Let us dare to dream."

Christina Malone, 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

The church does not close, only the building. Because we are the church, the living body of our Lord Jesus and we are everywhere.



Masses

Clondalkin Village
Sundays: (Vigil) Sat
6.30pm, Sunday 10am,
12 noon

All Behind Closed Doors

Weekdays (Mon – Sat)
10am ONLY

Behind Closed Doors

Clonburris
Church Closed

Knockmitten
Church Closed

Parish Office Hours

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

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please contact through
Phone & Email

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A Word from Fr. Damian

I was supposed to sing this on the solemnity of the Epiphany but there was no one there.

Announcement of Easter

Know, dear brothers and sisters that, as we have rejoiced at the Nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ, so by leave of God's mercy we announce to you also the joy of his Resurrection, who is our Saviour.

On the 17th day of February will fall **Ash Wednesday**, and the beginning of the fast of the most sacred Lenten season.

On the 4th day of April you will celebrate with joy **Easter Day**, the Paschal feast of our Lord Jesus Christ.

On the 13th day of May will be the **Ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ**.

On the 23rd day of May, the feast of **Pentecost**.

On the 3rd day of June, the feast of the **Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ**.

On the 28th of November, the First Sunday of the **Advent of our Lord Jesus Christ**, to whom is honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Fr. Damian

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 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**

Words of Wisdom

The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others. *Mahatma Gandhi*

No matter how dark things seem to be or actually are, raise your sights and see the possibilities, always see them, for they're always there.

Norman Vincent Peale

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

The world is charged with the grandeur of God.

Gerard Manley Hopkins

Village Church

Sunday 10th January 2021

6.30pm Vigil Sarah Carthy (1st An)

10.00am Joe & Josephine O'Connor (An),
Jack & Eileen Durcan (An)

12noon Nicholas Dillon (3rd An)

Friday 15th January

10.00am Mary Cronin (18th An)

Sunday 17th January

10.00am Elsie Naughton (4th An),

Vincent & Bobbie Norton (An)

12noon Gay and Nora Keogh (An)



FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

Wednesday 13th January St. Hilary of Poitiers

Friday 15th January St. Ita, Patroness of Munster

Saturday 16th January St. Fursa, Abbot & Missionary

Home Clondalkin Remembrance Book of Remembrance <https://clondalkincare.com/book-of-remembrance/>

Book of Remembrance

The Clondalkin Remembrance Book of Remembrance is for everyone who lives in Clondalkin and who has lost a loved one, and for anyone who lives further afield but has lost a loved one who lived in Clondalkin. This Book of Remembrance will stay with us throughout the Covid-19 pandemic and beyond.

In the Book of Remembrance you will include their name, month and year of birth, month and year of death, (from January 2019 onwards), and a few words about them, and you can add a photo. We would also ask you to please share, if you wish, some things which have helped you in dealing with your bereavement in these unusual Covid-19 pandemic times. Your experience could help someone else through their difficult time.

Before you add the family member, friend or colleague that you have lost, please ensure that their nearest family - if you are not that yourself - has given their permission.

As this is a local website for Clondalkin we will only include names of those who have links to Clondalkin/Dublin 22; either you live here, or the person who died did.

We will remember them, speak their names and tell their stories.

To add a loved one who has died to the Book of Remembrance, please click here.

[Submit a Remembrance](#)

The Clondalkin/D22 online Book of Remembrance

launched on the website www.clondalkincare.com 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.

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JOHN STRAP WATER DOVE	POWERFUL SANDAL SPIRIT VOICE	KNEEL BAPTISED HEAVENS BELOVED
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Instead of ...	Say ...
Keep a stiff upper lip.	I can see you're hurting.
It's for the best.	Wow, that's really hard.
I know how you feel.	How are you really feeling?
God doesn't give you more than you can handle.	Can I pray for you?
It's God's will.	I'm so sorry that happened to you.
You should do _____!	I don't know what to say. How can I help?
You'll get over this in no time!	Give yourself time to heal.
You'll be fine.	I'm here for you.

St. Ita, Patroness of Munster

Ita is the patroness of Munster, often called 'foster-mother of the saints of Ireland'. She was born in County Waterford of noble and Christian parents. Early on she set her mind on serving Christ in religious life. She founded a monastery in Killeedy, County Limerick, which attracted a variety of young people. Ita seems to have been a natural organizer: she travelled about the district, taking part in the affairs of her clan. Her community became skilled in herbal medicine, and visited the sick. Killeedy became known as *Cluain Chredal*, the holy meadow, and they made another foundation at nearby Kilmeedy. As well as educating those who joined her community as nuns, Ita also set up a school for boys. She taught them: "faith in God with purity of heart; simplicity of life with religion; generosity with love". Some of these later became famous, among them St Brendan – whether Brendan the Navigator or Brendan of Birr is not clear. Ita died in the year 570.



When we all first had to work from home in March 2020 when a lot of people had to home school too. It was hard on everyone so we decided to compile simple resources to try ease that stress. Or at least help parents with a few new ideas of how simple things can continue your child's development and connection to them.

Now that we are back in full lockdown the Blueskies Initiative are sharing them again. This one is for babies and toddlers and you can find the full set of resources in the link below.

<https://blueskiesinitiative.ie/coronavirus/resources/>



A thought for this Sunday for our Polish Parishioners

Thanks Chris



Every word that comes out of our mouths has great power. Isaiah says God's Word will not return to Him empty, but it shall succeed in the thing for which He sent it. Let us stop uttering the words of the curse that can destroy a person, and let us begin speaking words from God that build up our faith and bless us and everyone around us.

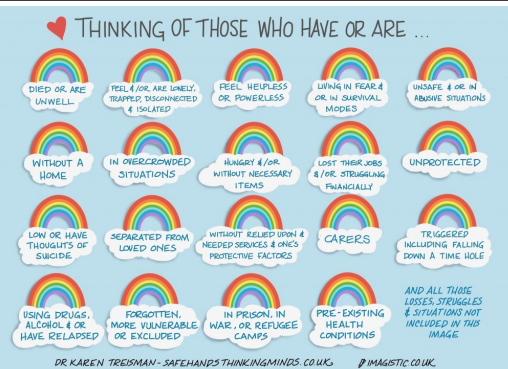
Każde słowo, które wychodzi z naszych ust ma wielką moc. Izajasz mówi, że Słowo Boże nie wróci do Niego bezowocnie, ale wypełni to, po co je posłał. Przestańmy wypowiadać słowa przekleństwa, które mogą zniszczyć człowieka, i zacznijmy wypowiadać słowa pochodzące od Boga, które budują naszą wiarę i błogosławią nam oraz wszystkim dokoła nas.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT LINE

Many people have experienced the death of someone they love during the COVID-19 pandemic. It may have been a COVID-related death or a death from other causes. In the face of such loss, the Irish Hospice Foundation Bereavement Support Line, in partnership with the HSE, has been launched to provide connection, comfort and support

THIS BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT LINE IS A NATIONAL FREEPHONE SERVICE - 1800 80 70 77 - AVAILABLE FROM 10AM TO 1PM, MONDAY TO FRIDAY.

The service is confidential. What is said will not be shared except in certain circumstances where, for safeguarding reasons, they may need to share information with the emergency services.

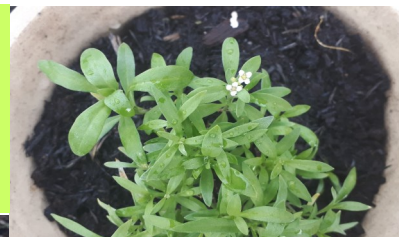


Given that we are back in a lockdown for the next while we wanted to share some resources that might help during this time. These come from Dr Karen Treisman. They are some resources to

support children and adults around anxiety, worry, stress, and fears; including those related to the pandemic/Covid-19. These include some useful short videos and can be found in the by clicking [HERE](#).

Nature's Light on New Year's Day. The wonder of it all. Carefully nurtured to bloom on Christmas Day. Outdoor all its life, trumping the snowdrop.

Eddie



Blooming hardily in the frost. Serious stuff, alone, ahead of the posse. About to bow their foreheads in modesty. in the Village Church grounds on 4th January 2021. Wonderful and brave.

Eddie

Operation Transformation

Andrew Burke-Hannon
who lives in South Dublin County is one of this year's Operation Transformation Leaders. Join him during his journey and start your own.

FREE 6 WEEK PROGRAMMES

KICKSTART YOUR HEALTH & FITNESS JOURNEY NOW!

Couch to 3k

This is a walk/jog programme aimed to increase your cardiovascular fitness suitable for beginners. Each week we will email you your three day programme

Online Pilates

Caolmhe O Dwyer will be instructing pilates suitable for all levels.

Wednesdays at 6pm
Saturdays at 11am

45 min classes

Online workouts

Clara Murray will be instructing home workouts.

Mondays at 6pm
Thursdays at 6pm

45 min classes

STARTS JANUARY 11 2021

You will be sent links each week to take part in our Pilates and Home workouts which will take place on zoom.

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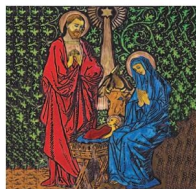
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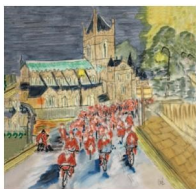
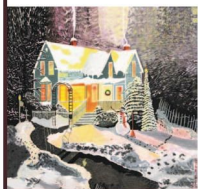
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