



Clondalkin Village Parish

Immaculate Conception & St. Killian Church

Clonburris  **Knockmitten**

Parish Newsletter

Sunday 11th April 2021

2nd Sunday
of
Easter

Taking a Moment to Look Back

After the busy-ness of Easter I always find this week a good to take a bit of time to take stock. It's hard to believe that just over a year ago the only Corona I'd given any consideration to was a fine cigar or a certain pale lager. A lot has happened and maybe we don't give ourselves enough credit for what we have done. There has been amazing strength, resilience and courage shown. So, taking a moment to look back - How far have we come and what have we learnt? And, although there are still challenges, I know this too soon will pass!

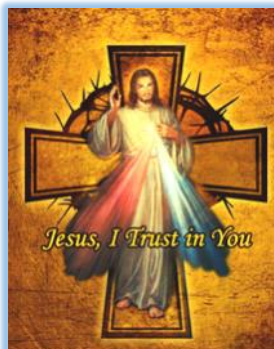
This experience has made people anxious and fearful. Some comment that it also made others selfish and uncaring. I find myself asking where do I fall and what have been the highlights for me this year? When I think back, I can't help but smile - it was a surprise visit from family for my 50th, building a shed/workshop in my back garden and getting up to see my family in Belfast just before Christmas. What have been yours? For me it has also been the eye-opening, inspirational, innovators and compassionate work that has been going on in our communities and in our neighbourhoods – ordinary people doing ordinary things in the most extraordinary and inspirational of ways. There's been miracles happening on our doorsteps each day if I have eyes to see. It's true we are living in a historical time and future generations will learn and be taught about how we as a generation, a community of faith, a church responded during this. I wonder what my grandchildren will say about me?

What really stays with me is that, yes, there have been huge acts of faith, strength and courage but thousands every day go unnoticed - parents home schooling, the home carers with no respite or break, the young people supporting each other, candles of thanks and support, the community food banks, the calls and Zoom bingo... *the list is endless*. It has made me realise how connected we are, how much we are dependent on others and how much of what we do affects others. Teresa of Avila said, "Christ has no body now but yours..." the Risen Christ is still alive through the witness that so many people are giving. Have I and can I continue to believe that and be that?

So, on this Divine Mercy Sunday may we recommit ourselves to being witnesses to God's mercy in our world. So that we may face the journey towards Pentecost with a renewed sense optimism, faith and hope. And let's spread some of the Easter joy, some of that loving mercy to and throughout our bubbles, families and community.

Lastly, one thing that has screamed through the experience of this last year for me – *time is a precious gift, don't lose it and use it wisely!!* A small example of this to finish. I was on my way home one of the evenings and got a call from a friend who works in youth work so I pulled over on the Belgard Road to have a quick chat. It was obvious in the first 5 mins he wanted to meet up. So, 15 mins later, we both parked our cars side-by-side in the supermarket car park, rolled down the windows and started chatting. For about 40 mins he just dumped and unloaded. Nothing really pressing or dramatic, but just talked about work, family, worries, etc. He wasn't looking for advice, just an ear. He thanked me at the end and as he was leaving asked, "Can I book in for the same time next week?". Never underestimate the value of making time, or that little call, or short Whatsapp message to let someone know you are thinking of them or praying for them. Maybe the one little bit of learning that I hope we don't lose from the last year is – *No one is ever 'too busy' if they care and are interested, they'll make time!*

Frank Brown, Parish Pastoral Worker



Masses

Clondalkin Village
Sundays: (Vigil) Sat
6.30pm, Sunday 9am (As
gaeilge) 10am, 12 noon
All Behind Closed Doors

Weekdays (Mon – Sat)
10am ONLY
Behind Closed Doors

Clonburris
Church Closed

Knockmitten
Sunday 11am

Parish Office Hours
Clondalkin:

Mon-Fri 9:30 - 12:30

**Closed to the public but
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VILLAGERS SENIOR GROUP

It is twenty years since the senior people of Clondalkin were told that Kelland Homes would be allocating a unit to them within the Orchard Lodge block of apartments as agreed by the Planning Dept and SDCC. Over the years senior groups from different clubs have been trying to get these premises handed over from Kelland Homes without any success until last year, another group consisting of people from different groups like Villagers Bridge, Tidy Towns, Active Age Older Voices, for change and formed a committee with two local County Councillors, Eoin O Brian and William Carey who worked very hard on it. In the last two weeks we have had communication from Kelland Homes to tell us the legal ends are finalised and the premises has been handed over to SDCC. The next stage is to get it fitted out as it is just a shell with no heating, kitchen, bathrooms etc. We have been told grants are available and that is the next project ahead. We will be looking for local help to get it up and running when all the construction is finished. I will keep you updated *Geraldine*

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

Tuesday 13th April **St. Martin 1, Pope & Martyr**
Friday 16th April **St. Bernadette of Lourdes**

Divine Mercy Sunday - 11th April 2021

Prayer of Saint Faustina

O Jesus, I want to live in the present moment, to live as if this were the last day of my life. I want to use every moment scrupulously for the greater glory of God, to use every circumstance for the benefit of my soul. I want to look upon everything from the point of view that nothing happens without the will of God. God of unfathomable mercy, embrace the whole world and pour Yourself out upon us through the merciful Heart of Jesus" (Diary, 1183).



DUBLIN DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK – ONLINE ADULT & FAMILY PILGRIMAGE – SAVE THE DATE! The Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock will take place on **Saturday April 24th** with a programme of online workshops from Our Lady of Victories Church, Ballymun Road via webcam commencing at 12pm. More details to follow soon. From 2.30pm, we will switch to the Knock Shrine webcam for the rosary, the Pilgrimage Mass at 3pm and opportunity for quiet time in the Apparition Chapel.

Free Bereavement Counselling during Covid

If you have lost loved ones through bereavement or are Frontline Workers, and would like to talk to someone in confidence, contact Eileen at 087 6380994 or covidbereavementcounselling@gmail.com

Keep sending your prayer requests and petitions. This week please say a special prayer for:

Sean, Gerry, Karen, Kerry, Spophie, Dyna, Joy, Gloria, Vincent, Karl, Dermot, Lizzie, Sheila, Justin, Patrick, Stephen, Michael, Justin, Siobhan, Martin, Paul, Jean, Maureen, Kathrine, Lorrie, Wes, Michele, Brendan

Our candle is always lit for you!



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.

Village Church



Sunday 11th April

6.30pm Vigil Brendan Foley & dec'd members of the Foley family, Bill & Molly Dennis & dec'd members of the Dennis family, Pauline O'Connor (1st An), Rita O'Sullivan (B'day Rem), Eileen Delaney (1st An), Dermot Hegarty (B'day Rem), Kathleen & Joe Fagan
10.00am Joseph Larnihan (An) & Anne Lynch (An)
Peter Johnston (7th An), Christina Murray (6th An)
12noon Mary Byrne (1st An), Colm Murphy (MM), Dalton McElroy (33rd An) & Mary McElroy (MM)
Florence Herlihy (An), Dermot O'Carroll (RD), Kathleen Kelly (1st An)

Monday 12th April

10.00am John & Frances Curran (An), Francis Curran Jnr (An), James & Josephine Kennedy (An)

Tuesday 13th April

10.00am Paddy & Catherine McElligott (An)

Wednesday 14th April

10.00am Martin & Linda O'Dowd (An)

Thursday 15th April

10.00am Seamus McKeown (1st An)

Friday 16th April

10.00am Tom Adams (18th An) & May Adams (Rem)

Sunday 18th April

6.30pm Vigil Phyllis Fitzpatrick (12th An)
10.00am Veronica Dunne (RD)
12noon Tommy Keegan (An & B'day Rem)
Kathleen O'Neill (An), Thomas McLoughlin (MM)



Recently Deceased

**DEAN COOPER
BRENDAN GARDINER**

May They Rest In Peace

Free Online Adult Catechism Course. Continues Sunday - Theme: The Holy Spirit

An online course, presented by Joe Keegan, clerical student in the parish, will cover the catechism of the Church, dealing with a different topic each week.

No enrolment is required, just access the video which will be posted on the *Combined Catholic Parishes of Clondalkin* facebook page every **Sunday at 12.30pm** (<https://www.facebook.com/TheCCPCDublin>)



(The Easter Spirit), just appear.

The humble Dandelion, such an essential early season pollen and nectar giver for bees and insects : don't miss them stretching to infinity on Nangor Rd. Right now, today, opposite Lidl.

Like the sunflower, they nod to

the rising sun and then follow it all day long soaking up it's essential goodness. This early butterfly, (a Peacock, I think), landed beside me in the Village Church Grounds.all within our 5k thing. Brillo. *Eddie*



ECUMENICAL BIBLE WEEK 2021

Ecumenical Bible Week 2021 is an exciting and successful venture which is now in its eight year and will run from **Pentecost Sunday (23rd May) to Trinity Sunday (30th May) 2021**. Ecumenical Bible Week (EBW) is led by the Archdiocese of Dublin and the United Dioceses of Dublin and

Gledalough in collaboration with many other Christian traditions ranging from the Evangelical Alliance to Lutherans, Methodists, Presbyterians and support from the National Bible Society and Scripture Union. The overall theme this year is "Unlocking Faith Today: Responding to New Realities". This year EBW will have an opening and closing prayer event organised by Holy Trinity Rathmines on Monday 24th and St Finian's Lutheran Church on Sunday 30th respectively. To **Register visit** – www.bibleweek.ie

When you practice gratefulness, there is a sense of respect towards others. *HH The Dalai Lama*

When you change the way you look at things, the things you look at change. *Wayne Dyer*

Every time you smile at someone, it is an action of love, a gift to that person, a beautiful thing. *St. Teresa of Calcutta*

And A HUGE thank you to all who have supported (and continue to support) the **Clondalkin Cares Food Bank**

You can now donate & Support through <https://gofund.me/65e9cb0f>

You can drop donations into

- The Parish Office in the Village and into Neilstown Church **Mon - Wed 10am - 3:30pm**
- Ronanstown Youth Service on a **Tuesday from 10am - 12 Noon**
- The Presentation Sisters have a Collection Bin at their Front Door where you can drop food donations into anytime.

If you need support, know someone who needs support or can help in anyway please do not hesitate to email or call

Karin Jonsson at

manager@quarryvalefric.ie or **085-202 0300**

Men's Rites of Passage, Kiltegan, 18th – 22nd August 2021

Nowadays, the question of what it means to be a man can be perplexing, and to be a man of faith in Ireland today can be very difficult. Most men have a longing for the support and guidance of other men in their journey towards masculinity, maturity, and a deeper experience with the divine. Living a shallow unexamined life is an empty experience. Opening the door to this journey can start with the **Men's Rites of Passage (MROP)**, a five-day deeply spiritual/ experience that builds on the classic patterns of male initiation through profound rituals and teachings. It is the kind of experience that can help awaken men to the adventure and mystery of their own masculinity, their potential for leadership, and their life's purpose. Join with other men on this journey in **Kiltegan, Co Wicklow, 18-22 August 2021**. For more information, go to malejourney.ie/rites/mrop-2019 or phone 087-176 3729



A thought for this Sunday for our Polish Parishioners

Thanks Chris

Thomas has actually done us a great service. Because I think, in fact, each of us would like to have such proof. Rising from the dead seems like a crazy idea. And how could we possibly prove it? We probably think sometimes, if we were there, if we saw the risen Lord Jesus with wounds on his hands and side, we would believe more. But would it really happen? Would it still be faith? Let us accept God's Mercy, and God will take care of our faith.

Tomasz tak na prawdę wyświadczył nam wielką przysługę. Ponieważ myślę, że w rzeczywistości każdy z nas chciałby mieć taki dowód. Wstanie z martwych wydaje się być szalonym pomysłem. I jak moglibyśmy to w ogóle udowodnić? Pewnie myślimy czasami, gdybyśmy tam byli, gdybyśmy zobaczyli zmartwychwstałego Pana Jezusa z ranami na rękach i boku, uwierzylibyśmy bardziej. Ale czy naprawdę by się to stało? Czy byłaby to jeszcze wiara? Przyjmijmy Boże Miłosierdzie, a Pan Bóg zatroszczy się o naszą wiarę.



A Live & Interactive Wellness Workshop

Wednesday 14th April 11am - 12pm

Brought to you by SOS In Association with Neart Le Cheile, Clondalkin

"An Introduction to Wellness"

This Workshop is for you to take time out and learn a wide range of practical tools and tips that you can use in your everyday life to improve your own wellness. It aims to help you understand and take charge of your own mental health. This workshop is for anyone and everyone as we all have mental health!



Register for FREE

<https://event.webinarjam.com/register/527/7v8l2fpq>

Presented by Facilitator Paula Lawlor



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Neart Le Cheile

National Office for Suicide

The Irish Bishops have announced a plan for a national synod in the next 5 years. A website has been created about the synod and the bishops have invited submissions to start the national conversation. If you would like to find out more and to make a submission then go to

<https://www.catholicbishops.ie/synod/>

Self-Care & Mental Health



Tips for Kids



Share your own feelings to encourage self-awareness.

Set aside time for low stress or solo activities.

Find social groups that help them feel like they belong.

Recognize toxic stress events.



Encourage journaling and writing.



Focus on articulating feelings. "I am angry." "I am sad."

Practice self-care for yourself to set the standard.

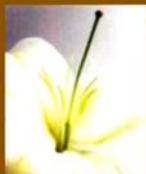


Encourage them to focus on the moment.

Cultivate interests and hobbies.

Establish a self-care routine.

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A light is gone from our household.
A voice we loved is stilled.
A place is vacant in our home,
That never can be filled.
Lonely is the home without you,
Life to us is not the same.
All the world would be like heaven,
If we could have you back again.
The happy hours we once enjoyed,
How sweet their memory still,
But death has left a vacant place,
This world can never fill.
How dearly we loved you,
And prayed you might live,
But Jesus just beckoned,
And we had to give.
God gave us strength to bear it,
And courage to fight the blow,
What it has meant to lose you,
God alone will ever know.
May the God of love and mercy,
Care our loved one who is gone,
And bless with consolation,
Those left to carry on.

In Loving Memory of
James Moore



Who Sadly died
on 15th December 2045
Aged 39
Sadly missed by her loving husband
and family xxxxxxxx xxx
Rest in Peace



Picture

Vincent Byrne

31st May 1946 - 15th March 2020
Aged 73 Years

forever in our hearts
Rest in Peace

Picture

In Loving Memory
of

Mary Byrne

31st May 1946 - 15th March 2020
Aged 73 Years

May the Light always Shine
Rest in Peace