



# Clondalkin Village Parish

*Immaculate Conception & St. Killian Church*

**Clonburris**  **Knockmitten**

Parish Newsletter

Sunday 25th April 2021



## THE LORD IS MY SHEPHERD.....

Psalm 23 is the best known and most loved of the 150 psalms in the Book of Psalms. Composed by King David, who was himself a shepherd in his youth, it portrays God as a loving, caring shepherd and reveals the close relationship between God and David.

*"The Lord is my shepherd. I lack nothing. He lets me lie down in green pastures, leads me beside still waters, guides me on right paths and through deep canyons without harm. His rod and staff comfort me. A table is prepared for me, my head is anointed with oil, my cup overflows. I will live in God's house forever."*



The setting of the psalm is the grazing area of the ancient Hebrews in a wilderness characterised by rugged canyons, sparse water sources, and dangerous predatory animals. The difficulty of the terrain made it dangerous to be without a shepherd who knew the watering holes, the right paths and the location of green pastures. A shepherd forms a close relationship with his sheep because of their helplessness in finding food and water or in protecting themselves. They need to stay close to the shepherd who leads them. Sheep do not follow with the eye but with the ear and that's where the rod and the staff come in. The shepherd taps the rocks on the path as he goes and the sheep know he is near. This is a way of being comforted. If it falls into a crevasse the hook on the staff is used to pull the sheep to safety.

Sheep are very timid and easily frightened by noise. The good shepherd leads them to green pastures where they can rest before taking them to still waters to drink. Leading them home he counts and checks them. After spending long hours in the heat a sheep may be unwell. The shepherd anoints its head with oil and massages it before resting overnight in the safety of the sheepfold.

This beautiful psalm reveals the kind, gentle care of Jesus, our Good Shepherd. Like sheep, we tend to wander and drift away seeking satisfaction where it cannot be found. On Good Shepherd Sunday we thank him for searching for and finding us when we are lost, for rejoicing over us and bringing us safely home with the prospect of living in God's house forever.

## 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**  
**please contact through**  
**Phone & Email**

**Clonburris & Knockmitten:**  
**Contact through Village**

**Submissions for**  
**Newsletter:**  
[Parishnewsletter1@gmail.com](mailto:Parishnewsletter1@gmail.com)

*Sister Anne*

## Corona Virus Prayer

*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.*

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## Clondalkin Handcraft and Horticultural Virtual Show 2021

Cllr Timmons (Chairperson) says "Sadly we can't meet in person so the only safe option is to have the Show online for 2021. We have had to cut some categories out but there is still loads for people to enter. I look forward and am hopeful that the Show will return to Newlands Home and Garden Centre and Áras Chrónáin in 2022. This Show is an opportunity to showcase all the wonderful skills we have in South Dublin"



Cllr Francis Timmons

Independent Dublin Mid West

Entry forms will be available online on our Facebook, Instagram pages and by emailing us on

[clondalkinshow@gmail.com](mailto:clondalkinshow@gmail.com) We

are accepting entries after our launch date and up until **26<sup>th</sup> June 2021**. Judging will take place for the following week and winner will be announced on 4<sup>th</sup> July 2021.

(Photo from 2019 Launch in Áras Chrónáin)

### FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

Monday 26th April	Our Lady of Good Counsel
Tuesday 27th April	St. Asicus, Bishop
Wednesday 28th April	St. Peter Chanel, Priest & Martyr
Thursday 29th April	St. Catherine of Sienna, Doctor of the Church
Friday 30th April	St. Pius V, Pope
Saturday 1st May	St. Joseph the Worker



*Keep sending your prayer requests and petitions.*

David, Justin, Michael, Eamon, Arthur, Rosie, Karl, Brendan, Katie, Sinead, Kathleen, Josie, Ossie, Ronan, Deirdre, Shona, Lizzie, Robert, Thomas, Rupert, Patrick, Kieran, Ross, Michelle, Ryan, Jean, Conor, Monica, Jim, Ken, Oonagh, Maureen, Pauline, Laura, Evelyn, James, Susan, Sheila



*Our candle is always lit for you!*

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"When we pray courageously the Lord not only gives us grace; He gives us His very self in the grace. The Lord never gives or sends a grace by post: He brings it Himself, He is grace!"

"The Lord tells us: 'the first task in life is this - prayer' But not the prayer of words, like a parrot, but the prayer, the heart; gazing on the Lord."

Pope Francis



## Village Church



**Sunday 25th April**

**6.30pm Vigil** Desmond Murphy (25th An), James Geraghty (1st An) and Bernie Geraghty (4th An)  
**10.00am** Rose Plunkett (B'day Rem), Marie Ryan (2nd An), Teresa Hyland (MM)  
**12noon** Pamela Delaney (An), John, Rosaleen Delaney (RIP), Jane Courage (B'day Rem), Michael Delaney (An)

**Monday 26th April**

**10.00am** Pat Ryder (10th An)

**Tuesday 27th April**

**10.00am** Joseph Byrne (An)

**Wednesday 28th April**

**10.00am** Josephine Burke (1st An)

**Friday 30th April**

**10.00am** George Annett (1st An) (formerly of Boot Rd.)

**Sunday 2nd May**

**10.00am** Ann McCabe (An), Brendan Gardiner (MM)

**12noon** Joe Farrell (8th An)

### Recently Deceased

**Anne Byrne, Kathleen Potts, Margaret (Peggy) Murphy**

*May They Rest In Peace*



### World Day of Prayer for Vocations Sunday 25th April 2021



Holy Spirit, stir within us the passion to promote vocations to the consecrated life, societies of apostolic life, diocesan priesthood, and permanent diaconate.

Inspire us daily to respond to Your call with boundless compassion, abundant generosity, and radical availability. Help us to remember our own baptismal call to rouse us to invite the next generation to hear and respond to Your call.

Inspire parents, families, and lay ecclesial ministers to begin a conversation with young Catholics to consider how they will live lives of holiness and sacred service.

Nudge inquirers and motivate discerners to learn more about monastic life, apostolic life, missionaries, cloistered contemplative life, and evangelical Franciscan life.

Ignite our Church with the confident humility that there is an urgent need for religious sisters, brothers, deacons, and priests to live in solidarity with those who are poor, neglected, and marginalized.

Disrupt our comfortable lives and complacent attitudes with new ideas to respond courageously and creatively with a daily "YES!"

### Free Online Adult Catechism Course.

**Continues Sunday - Theme: The Church & The Communion of Saints**

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>)

*Do not let tomorrow use up too much of today.*

Cherokee Indian proverb

*It is not the mountain we conquer, but ourselves.*

Sir Edmund Hillary

*A smile is the beginning of peace.*

St. Teresa of Calcutta



# THINKING ALLOWED

Thursday 27th May  
7.30 - 9.00 pm

FAITH INTO THE FUTURE

## ECUMENICAL BIBLE WEEK 2021

**Thinking Allowed** is an event where faith leaders respond to a topical question in the light of scripture. Join us online for discussion on this year's topic of personal dreams of faith into the future.

To Register **free** now at – [www.bibleweek.ie](http://www.bibleweek.ie)

### PRESENTED BY:

Archbishop Dermot Farrell  
Archbishop Michael Jackson  
Rev. Lorraine Kennedy-Ritchie  
Rabbi Charles Middleburgh  
Sr. Liz Murphy  
Rev. Sahr J Yambasu

CHAired BY:  
Rev. Alan Boal

### 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](mailto:covidbereavementcounselling@gmail.com)



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*You can drop food 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*

Please continue to donate to the upkeep of our Parish



Thank you

You can donate through the shrines or through by clicking **PayPal** the "Donate" button on the bottom of our website - [www.clondalkinparish.com](http://www.clondalkinparish.com)



## A thought for this Sunday for our Polish Parishioners

Thanks Chris



Today's readings use the terms "God's child" and "sheep" to describe our ideal relationship with God. I think sometimes we forget how much work needs to be put in, to truly become a "sheep" or a "child of God" in this world where everyone values independence and we learn from early years how to rely primarily on ourselves. It is God's desire that we trust Him and rely on Him for everything we do and plan. He is our protector and, like no one else, can provide us with everything we need.

Dzisiejsze czytania używają terminów „dziecka Bożego” i „owcy”, aby opisać naszą idealną relację z Bogiem.

Myszę, że czasami zapominamy, ile pracy należy włożyć by prawdziwie stać się „owcą” lub „dzieckiem Bożym” w tym świecie, w którym każdy ceni sobie niezależność i od młodości uczymy się jak polegać przede wszystkim na sobie. Boga pragnieniem jest, byśmy Mu zaufali i polegali na Nim we wszystkim, co robimy i planujemy. On jest naszym opiekunem i jak nikt inny może zapewnić nam wszystko, czego potrzebujemy.



It is 12 noon on Sat. 17th April. Oh! Look at them, a velvet carpet of daisies floating across the river field down by the Camac at Watery Lane/Woodford Walk junction.

Enjoy the silent reverence of it all. Whirling around onto Nangor Rd., in warm noon time sun, Nettles and thistles are

charging ahead and a single member of the cabbage family, not yet identifiable

" in the fury of the moment, I can see The Master's Hand

In every leaf that trembles

In every grain of sand."

-- Bob Dylan

" in every grain of sand" - 4th May 1981.

Heady with all of Nature about 20 yds. From Lidl, proud as punch in the noon-day sun, two spectacular ladybirds are sun tanning, fresh from winter hibernation looking for their favourite green fly. Are they just sussing out the larder, Probably. Definitely scouting for food.

Eddie



SAVE THE DATE  
SATURDAY  
8 MAY 2021



Thanks to Eddie for revamping our "Tree of Hope" and just to remind you that you can register for this years, "Darkness into Light" on  
[www.darknessintolight.ie/home-page-2021](http://www.darknessintolight.ie/home-page-2021)



# IT'S YOUR CALL

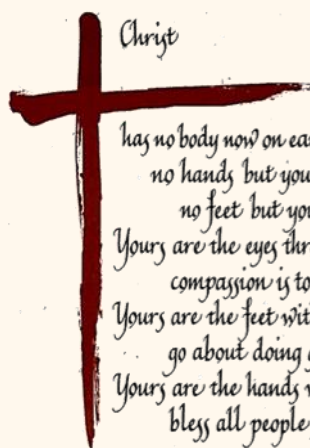
## Called to be YOU

Vocation Sunday set aside in the Church's calendar to encourage all of us think about our own vocation. So what is your vocation? You may think that you don't have a vocation or that vocations are the sort of thing clergy have. But if you think that, you're wrong. Each of us does have a vocation. God calls each one of us. The question, though, is to what? First and foremost, God calls us to change: to become more Christ-like. We are called to live out our lives in response to the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. That process began in our baptism, but it continues through prayer, through the reading of the scriptures and through the receiving of Holy Communion.



One of the constant themes in the New Testament is that lives touched by Christ were changed. What is true for the characters of the New Testament is true for us. As we encounter and respond to Christ we cannot help but be changed. But while we are called to change, we are also called to be more deeply ourselves. God never calls us to be something or someone we're not. God always calls us to what we are capable of becoming. It may be that there are parts of us which are underdeveloped or which rarely see the light of day which need to be allowed to flourish so we can be our true selves. It may be that we have hidden gifts which need to be discovered or it may be that there is something that we have secretly always wanted to do but have not had the courage or the time to try. Whatever it may be we need to find an outlet which will allow us to feel more excited about life or indeed to feel more alive.

You have one life. For God's sake and for your own, live it.  
Take a moment to **Reflect**



Christ  
has no body now on earth but yours,  
no hands but yours,  
no feet but yours.  
Yours are the eyes through which Christ's  
compassion is to look out to the world.  
Yours are the feet with which Christ is to  
go about doing good.  
Yours are the hands with which Christ is to  
bless all people now.

*Teresa of Avila*

### Read the Prayer

Think about one time when you've experienced God reaching out to someone through another person

### Read the prayer again

Think about a time that you've experienced God reaching out to another through you.

### Read the one more time –

#### Change the word 'Yours' to 'Mine'

Recognise the gifts you have, the difference you make to those around you, the opportunities you have been given to share the Love, Joy, Peace, Hope & Compassion of God each day and say 'Thanks'!

### Keep the Prayer with you...

as an ongoing reminder of how God desires to work through you!

St Irenaeus wrote that 'the glory of God is a human being fully alive'. Through the dual process of becoming more fully ourselves and of becoming more fully Christ-like, the will of God is fulfilled and the glory of God seen.

**That is what Vocations Sunday is about.**

### Read Pope Francis – Message for Vocations Sunday

Also here is Pope Francis' message for the 2021 World Day of Vocations. It's a beautiful message, modelled on St. Joseph.

<https://vocations.ie/2021/03/26/message-of-his-holiness-pope-francis-for-the-2021-world-day-of-vocations/>

**Please also check out** this short article by Fr Tomás Surlis (*Rector of the National Seminary*) on Patris Corde (*with a Father's Heart*), the meditation by Pope Francis on St. Joseph.

<https://vocations.ie/2021/04/01/year-of-st-joseph-honours-humble-courageous-father/>

*If you have any questions about priesthood, religious life or the diaconate please do not hesitate to make contact.*

*It takes courage to make that first step! Talk to your local parish team*

Or [www.dublindiocese.ie/vocations](http://www.dublindiocese.ie/vocations)

Or the vocations team at: [enda.cunningham@dublindiocese.ie](mailto:enda.cunningham@dublindiocese.ie) or [seamusmcentee@yahoo.com](mailto:seamusmcentee@yahoo.com)



**JustASK Youth Info** is a new podcast for young people. The first episode Sam talks to Julie all about money for college. You can listen here <https://anchor.fm/youth-information>

If you have any questions or ideas for future podcasts DM us on insta <https://www.instagram.com/crosscareyouthinfo/>

SDCP is delighted to announce that our Young person's Well-being phone service is now live.

This service is aimed at supporting 18-24yr olds living in the South Dublin area.

Txt 2 Connect on  
**086-1803942**  
and we will call ASAP.



### TEEN HOPE CONNECTED

We started a new **3 Week Series on Prayer on Weds**

**from 6pm – 7pm.** It starts on 21<sup>st</sup> April and continues April 28<sup>th</sup> and May 5<sup>th</sup> followed by a 'Games Night' on Wed 12<sup>th</sup> May.

Expect some fun, exploring of faith and life, small group discussions, some top class games, and prayer. To register for this youth group you will need to **complete the online parental consent form with your parents by clicking here:**

<https://forms.gle/2uGwM3jnLM1Mwyueu5>



### YCD CONNECTED – BRINGING YOUNG PEOPLE TOGETHER

The Young Church Dublin invite you to join our connected group for Young Adults (20's 30's) We meet online **every Wednesday, from 8.00-9.00pm** for some time of fellow, reflection on Scripture and prayer together. It provides an opportunity to connect in with other young adults in a community of faith. For more information, please email:

[kirsten.mahon@dublindiocese.ie](mailto:kirsten.mahon@dublindiocese.ie)





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Selma Correia  
Duczynska, Kenneth  
Mtetwa Shaid Ullah  
& Manita Karki.  
God bless social  
inclusion.  
*Maeve Murphy*



### AWARE - SUPPORT & SELF CARE GROUPS

If you, or those with whom you work wish to connect with people in relation to your mental wellbeing, please consider using the Phone In and Zoom Support & Self Care Groups, the Support Line or Support Mail, now and throughout the holiday season. These services provide support, coping skills and information – and most importantly help people who are in distress to know and feel that they are not alone in their experience.

For more information about the groups <https://www.aware.ie/support/support-groups/> and all of our services on [www.aware.ie](http://www.aware.ie)

### 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. 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.**



### Circle of Security Parenting

is an evidence-based parenting programme that supports parent and children to build positive, warm attachments.

It is one of the amazing programmes the Blue Skies Initiative are proud to be providing for our community.

To find out about the range of programs and supports go to

<https://blueskiesinitiative.ie/>

Or

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**Don't break  
a bird's wings and  
then tell it to fly.**

Don't break a heart and then tell it to love. Don't break a soul and then tell it to be happy. Don't see the worst in a person and expect them to see the best in you. Don't judge people and expect them to stand by your side. Don't play with fire and expect to stay perfectly safe. Life is about giving and taking. You cannot expect to give bad and receive good. You cannot expect to give good and receive bad.

- Najwa Zebian



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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