



Clondalkin Village Parish

Immaculate Conception & St. Killian Church

Clonburris  **Knockmitten**

Parish Newsletter

Sunday 25th July 2021



FEEDING THE FIVE THOUSAND

The feeding of the crowds in the wilderness seems notably straightforward. Jesus was moved by compassion for the crowds and healed them. Late in the day, the disciples assessed the situation (*in the wilderness there is nothing for the hungry crowds to eat*) and perhaps they, too, were moved by compassion when they suggested the crowds be sent to nearby towns where they could buy food. Jesus had another idea: feed them right here with what we have. Taking the five loaves and two fish the disciples had on hand, Jesus blessed and broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples. The disciples fed the crowds, numbering five thousand men, plus women and children. Everyone had enough to eat, and they gathered up the leftovers. The story does not tell us how the hungry crowd is fed in the wilderness; only that no one leaves hungry. And so, the story invites us to use our imaginations.



Jesus didn't wait for anyone else. He didn't say "It's someone else's problem!" or "The government should be doing more!" – He reacted to their need there and then. He, also, didn't go all *miraculous* and do it all on his own (it definitely wasn't a *how great am I* moment) but got his disciples involved right at the heart of his compassionate response. His compassionate actions and response inspired others. Never underestimate how your works of kindness and compassion (*no matter how insignificant you think they are*) can and do inspire others.

I wonder if the "miracle" of the feeding is not so much what Jesus does as what happens among the crowds in the presence of Jesus and the witness of the disciples. Maybe the crowds experienced the transformative power of Christ's presence when he invited them to make themselves comfortable on the grass, as if they were honoured guests at a meal. And when he blessed the loaves, the crowd sensed this meal was special. The disciples responded to Jesus' witness. His compassion was contagious. They, without question or moan, walked through the hungry crowd and spread compassion. Not as platitudes but as a real, timely, appropriate and practical response to a real need. And there was an abundance! Perhaps as the disciples moved through the crowds distributing the food, no one feared there wouldn't be enough, and so they didn't think of themselves and their own needs. The men shared with their wives and sisters and mothers, and the children were fed first. Jesus' compassion was contagious in the way they cared for each other. And Jesus' healing touch inspired them to gratitude for a simple meal abundant by wilderness standards. Conceivably the most profound thing Jesus does in the story is to insist that the disciples imagine possibilities for distributing food for a hungry crowd so that there is enough for everyone. Do we take the opportunities to "share my food" so others will have enough? Do we even notice the needs of those around us? Are our actions one's of compassion and kindness that inspires others to witness to their faith? Maybe this week do at least one conscious act of kindness, compassion to alleviate the suffering of others. And, if you are suffering yourself, trust in the compassion of others, know you do not journey alone, take the risk and reach out. God bless and have a great week,

Frank Brown, Parish Pastoral Worker

Masses

Clondalkin Village
Sundays: (Vigil) Sat
 6.30pm, Sunday 9am (As
 gaeilge) 10.30am, 12 noon
50 People allowed at Mass

Weekdays (Mon – Sat)
 10am ONLY
50 People allowed at Mass

Clonburris
 Sat 6.30pm, 11 am Sunday

Knockmitten
 Sunday 11am, Mon, Wed,
 Fri at 10 am
50 People allowed at Mass

Parish Office Hours

Clondalkin:
 Mon-Fri 9:30 - 12:30
 Please contact through
 Phone & Email

Clonburris & Knockmitten:
 Contact through Village

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FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

Monday 26th July	Ss Joachim & Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Thursday 29th July	St. Martha
Friday 30th July	St. Peter Chrysologus, Bishop & Doctor of the Church
Saturday 31st July	St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest

PLEASE NOTE:

The Summer opening hours for the Parish Office are:

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 9.30am to 12.30pm

Think On These Things

Give whatever you are doing and whoever you are with the gift of your attention.

Jim Rohn

Patience is the companion of wisdom.

St. Augustine of Hippo

Do not let tomorrow use up too much of today.

Cherokee Indian proverb

If you judge people, you have no time to love them.

St. Teresa of Calcutta

Keep sending your prayer requests and petitions.

Terri, Joan, Pauline, Anne, Christine, Davidine, Justine, Patricia, Kevin, Amanda, Claire, Rowan, Adrienne, Carmel, Kitty, Patricia, Janice, Anne, Michele, Philip, Gary, Tom, Frank, Matthew, Ken, Roland, Barry, David, Maureen, Kitty, Josephine, Shane, Bert, Henry, Pat, Jenny, Anne-marie, Kathleen, Teresa, Aimee, Fiona, Mary, Marie, Philip, Shane, Brendan, Arthur, Sennan, Siobhan, Elaine, Peter, Eamon, Keith, Rita, Kieran, Karl, Henry, Jim, Donal.

Our candle is always lit for you!

"I will pray for you" is the sweetest thing that someone can say to you. It shows that, that person cares, they have affection for you and most important: they talk to God about you.

PRAYING FOR VOCATIONS

A Prayer for Vocations

Archbishop Farrell is asking for people and priests to pray for vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life on a regular basis. As you are well aware, the need is great, so let's answer God's call and "Pray the Lord of the harvest to send labourers into his harvest"

God our Father, You made each of us to use our gifts in the Body of Christ.

We ask that You inspire young people whom You call to the priesthood and consecrated life to courageously follow Your will.

Send workers into Your great harvest so that the Gospel is preached, the poor are served with love, the suffering are comforted, and Your people are strengthened by the sacraments.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen



Village Church

Sunday 25th July

6.30pm Vigil Molly Dennis and deceased members of the Dennis family

10.30am Tommy Curran (An)

Mary Ann & John Kennedy (An)

12noon Sheila Kelleher (2nd An)

Monday 26th July

10.00am Terence Kinane (B'day Rem)

Friday 30th July

10.00am Michael O'Callaghan (1st An)

Saturday 31st July

10.00am Thomas Fagan (MM)

Sunday 1st August

6.30pm Vigil Oswald (Ossie) Murphy (2nd An)

Thomas Fagan (MM), Imelda Gilleran (8th An)

12noon Fran Greene (1st An)



Open every Monday to Friday
10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Closed Christmas Day only



RECENTLY DECEASED

**Nora Gordon
Peter Fleming**

May They Rest In Peace

Free Online Adult Catechism Course
presented by Deacon Joe Keegan, Clondalkin Village parish. Topic for Sunday 25th July is
"The Sacrament of Marriage"

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



**The Order of Knights
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- www.knightsofstcolumbanus.ie

This wonderful Catholic Organisation for Catholic men was founded by Canon James K. O'Neill in Belfast in 1915.

We are exploring the possibility of starting a group in Clondalkin for Catholic men to pray and get involved in various projects to support their local parish and community. Knights are known for supporting charitable and pastoral initiatives across Ireland.

Interested in finding out more?
Contact - Joy on
joyson.j@yahoo.com

A thought for this Sunday for our Polish Parishioners

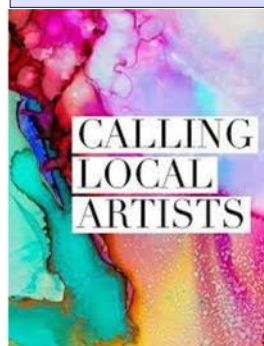
Thanks Chris



Sometimes we feel like the little boy in today's Gospel who brought five loaves and two fish with him. He probably felt awkward knowing that he couldn't feed all the people with what he had. Maybe he even regretted that he had brought them, because it would look silly. But without him and his loaves of bread, Jesus would have nothing to multiply. If Saint Mother Teresa had not decided to look after the first poor person she met, God would never have multiplied her good deeds. Every little gesture of love matters. God can multiply it, we only need to take the first step. Just bring the bread and the fish and let the Lord do the rest of the work.

Czasami czujemy się jak ten mały chłopiec z dzisiejszej Ewangelii, który przyniósł ze sobą pięć chlebów i dwie ryby. Pewnie czuł się niezręcznie, wiedząc, że nie może nakarmić wszystkich ludzi tym, co ma. Może nawet żałował, że je w ogóle przyniósł. Ale bez niego i jego bochenków chleba Jezus nie miałby nic do rozmnożenia.

Gdyby Święta Matka Teresa nie zdecydowała się zaopiekować się pierwszą biedną osobą którą spotkała, Bóg nigdy by nie pomnożył jej dobrych uczynków. Każdy najmniejszy gest miłości ma znaczenie. Bóg może to pomnożyć, wystarczy tylko byśmy zrobili pierwszy krok. Tylko przynieś chleby i ryby, i pozwól Panu dokonać reszty pracy.



We are putting the call out to all local artists and crafts people ...

To raise much needed funds for our **Clondalkin Cares Food bank** we are asking local artists, crafts people to donate a picture, piece, craft, piece, etc. that could be used as a prize for a planned up-coming raffle/auction.

Please spread the word.

For more info contact Frank at frank.brown@dublindiocese.ie or Karin at manager@quarryvalefrc.ie or 085 202 0300

THANKS

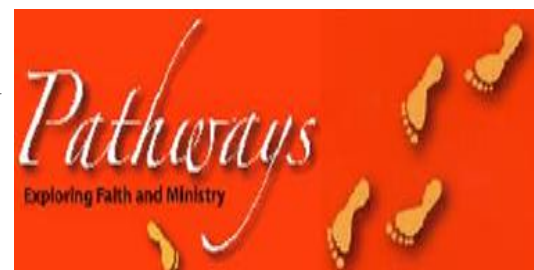
Donations for prizes can be left into Clondalkin Village parish office and Quarryvale Family Resource Centre during opening hours

Thanks to all who have already supported us!!

PATHWAYS: EXPLORING FAITH AS AN ADULT

Pathways is a two-year, one evening a week, Adult Faith Development course on Thursday evenings. Run by the Archdiocese of Dublin in DCU St. Patrick's Campus (MDCCE), Drumcondra Road. Late September to May (7.00 p.m. – 9.30 p.m). Application now open for September 2021. Early application advised. Contact: Pathways Director, Eileen Houlahan at 01 8087594 or pathways@dublindiocese.ie.

Web: www.evangelisation.ie



WE URGENTLY NEED YOUR SUPPORT

Clondalkin Cares Food Bank
Honestly, the foodbank is in crisis and we are in danger of losing this most valuable resource. The reason is very simple - The need is growing

but the support and resources are decreasing. We are now supporting over 110 households and numbers are increasing.

We need your support.

Please keep your donations and support coming.

Donations can be dropped off at the following venues:

- **Clondalkin Parish Office** Mon-Fri 10-3.30.
- **The Presentation Sisters** have a Collection Bin at their Front Door where you can drop food donations into anytime.
- **Neart Le Chéile** Thu 10-3.
- **Neilstown Church** Mon-Wed 10-3.30.
- **Quarryvale Community and Youth Centre** Mon-Fri 11-3.
- **Ronanstown Youth Service** Tue 10-12

To register for food, or for any other information, please email manager@quarryvalefrc.ie or call 085 202 0300 during normal office hours.

To donate please use our **Go Fund Me** page:

<https://www.gofundme.com/f/please-help-our-food-bank>

We welcome any other place that would like to volunteer to act as a drop off point for donations - Just contact us and let us know!

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

THE LOUGH DERG PILGRIM PATH

The Lough Derg Pilgrim Path on the lough shore is now open daily. The full route is a 12km loop, with a shorter 8km option, and several information boards highlight features of particular interest.

Leaflets are available at the Visitors Centre.



A guided walk experience will be offered on Sunday 25th and Saturday 31st July, with Mass outdoors, weather permitting. Further dates for these guided walks will follow for late August and early September. For bookings and further information email info@loughderg.org or telephone 0(0353) 71 9861518.

www.loughderg.org

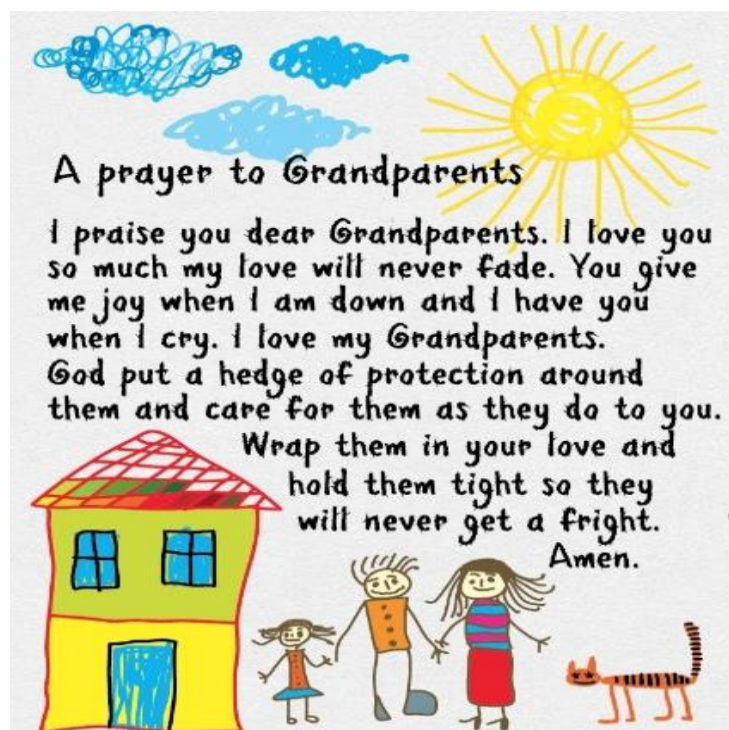
Corona Virus Prayer

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

WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY

Today, Sunday, July 25th, Brackenstown Parish is host the inaugural celebration in Ireland of the World Day of Prayer for Grandparents and the Elderly. To mark the occasion, Archbishop Jude Thaddeaus Okolo, the Papal Nuncio will celebrate Mass in St. Cronan's Church at 1.15pm on July 25th via webcam on www.brackenstownparish.com

A huge shout-out and thank you to all grandparents and do something special this week for all the elderly in our community to show your care!



VACANCY FOR PARISH SECRETARY - HOLY TRINITY PARISH, DONAGHMEDE

Holy Trinity Parish is currently advertising a position within the Parish Office for a Parish Secretary on a part-time basis at 15 hours per week (Monday to Friday). Applications in writing including a current CV to Fr Gerry Corcoran C/O Parish Office, 12 Grangemore Grove, Donaghmede, Dublin 13 or by email to info@holyltrinityparish.ie by 5pm Fri 13th Aug 2021.

VACANCIES FOR TWO YOUTH MINISTRY COORDINATORS

The Archdiocese of Armagh seeks to appoint two motivated and talented professionals, each to undertake the full-time roles of Youth Ministry Coordinator. The Youth Ministry Coordinators will work with the Diocesan Pastoral Team and be responsible for implementing the youth ministry element in the Diocesan Pastoral Plan. The plan reaches out to all young people in the Archdiocese of Armagh to provide faith formation and to enable the development of peer ministry. This will involve developing a wide range of network communications with parishes, families, schools, and community organisations. This is an excellent opportunity and challenge for two experienced candidates to join our Diocesan Team. Closing date for receipt of completed applications is **Fri 13 Aug 2021 at 5pm**

More info from - www.armagharchdiocese.org

INTERNATIONAL DAY OF FRIENDSHIP 2021

The International Day of Friendship was proclaimed in 2011 by the UN General Assembly with the idea that friendship between peoples, countries, cultures and individuals can inspire peace efforts and build bridges between communities. The resolution places emphasis on involving young people, as future leaders, in community activities that include different cultures and promote international understanding and respect for diversity.

To mark the International Day of Friendship the UN encourages governments, international organizations and civil society groups to hold events, activities and initiatives that contribute to the efforts of the international community towards promoting a dialogue among civilizations, solidarity, mutual understanding and reconciliation. The International Day of Friendship is an initiative that follows on the proposal made by UNESCO defining the Culture of Peace as a set of values, attitudes and behaviours that reject violence and endeavour to prevent conflicts by addressing their root causes with a view to solving problems. It was then adopted by the UN General Assembly in 1997.



30th JULY 2021

International Friendship Day

is a day where we take a moment to remember, give thanks for and celebrate the presence of true friends in our life.

TODAY
is the
DAY

Bring a friend to mind and reflect on what you appreciate about them. Let yourself feel good about that and let that feeling soak into your bones for 20-30 seconds. Say a little prayer of 'thanks' for them. Let them know how much they mean to you!!

MAKE A
DIFFERENCE



Here are some Friendship Day celebration ideas to help you make the occasion a memorable one.

- Write/Make a card for your friend telling them how much you appreciate their friendship. Be open in your expression and spill out your heart to them!
 - Buy or make them a small present such as flowers, chocolates, friendship bands, a cake, or anything that your friend will appreciate! Maybe leave the gift anonymously for added intrigue!
- Give a warm hug to your friend and let them know that they have a special place in your heart! In a safe way!!
 - Call or SMS every one of your friends, old and new, on Friendship Day to let them know you care.
- Ring up a radio station and dedicate a song to Friendship Day and your friends!
 - Make some new friends on the occasion by doing a Random Acts of Kindness
- Give your friend a Friendship Bracelet (made or bought) to symbolize your friendship.
 - Make an album or collage of you and your friends enjoying yourselves!
- Prepare a playlist that features all the songs that define your friendship or ones that you just happen to mutually like!
 - Send an e-card and say thanks to friends on social media
- Call, contact old friends you haven't spoken to in ages.
 - Make a special friendship book for your best friend. Include photos, quotes and poetry telling your friends how special they are.
- Plan a special day with your best friend or friendship group!
 - If you are all busy during the day, plan to go out to dinner with your friends.
- If possible host a Friendship Dinner Party at your home! Safely!!



#IDOF

Flow on lovely river, flow gently along, low but lifegiving and welcoming to our friends in our common home.
Shimmering in the noonday Sun, the riverbed is a natural cinema a movie reel, always fresh and just released but, hey, all in 3D and quisitely.

Our limestone capstones stand proudly erect, parade ground July delicacy trumpeting in full expression, pure white, pure honest large Bindweed. Piggybacking on its neighbours it spools up to the wise.

Hanging in the landscape, a natural shrine, nodding in deep gratitude with us all to our high Summer Sun, a wondrous, life giving creation. Thought provoking and pulsing while dancing out and then back in again to the Noonday shadows, embracing, ephemeral and shimmering and nourishing in its own, strange way.

Today (a thousand mornings by Mary Oliver).

Today I'm flying low and I'm
Not saying A word.
I'm letting all the voodoo of ambition sleep.

The World goes on as it must,
The bees in the garden rumbling a little,
The fish leaping, the gnats getting eaten.
And so forth.

But I'm taking the day off.
Quiet as a feather,
I hardly move though really I'm travelling
A terrific distance.

Stillness. One of the doors

Into the temple. *Eddie*



God Almighty first planted a garden.
And indeed, it is the purest of human pleasures.

Francis Bacon

Work is never done in the garden. The weather is an opportunity for great work and companionship for all in the Men's Shed. *Tommy*



CLONDALKIN GLOBAL GARDEN

Great weather and we are enjoying our harvest in all shapes and sizes.
A fabulous time for harvesting and tending to nature.

Maeve Murphy



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Park Fit

Mondays, 6:30pm to 7:30pm July 12th to August 23rd

Mens Park Fit

Mondays 12pm to 1pm July 12th to August 23rd

Park Yoga

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This event is 50's+

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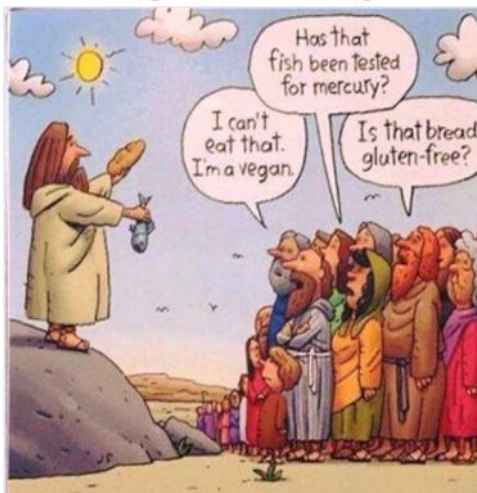


I am'^{re} Raising Amazing

TUSLA
An Ghnómháireacht um Leanaí agus an Teaghlach
Child and Family Agency

Online information session via Child and Family Agency - Tusla on fostering. Free event on 11 30am July 29th via

Eventbrite



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