



A huge Thanks and a fond 'Bon Voyage'!

It's hard to believe that six years have passed since I was asked to move from Rathmines, Harold Cross & Mount Argus and appointed to the parishes of Clondalkin. Every move has its challenges, practical, emotional and spiritual, but I honestly came with no pre-conceived notions. When I



arrived I had a few other things on my mind. It was not long after my younger sister Claire's sudden death, so personally and as a family it was a difficult time. But from my first day entering into the pastoral centre in the Village with it's lock that turned the wrong way the welcome was warm and the years that I have spent here have been incredible. I have met, befriended and worked alongside so many inspirational people. I was asked what have been the highlights and honestly there have been too many to mention – *The local prayer books, the clubs & groups, the exercise-a-thon, The World meeting of the Family, the scripture groups, the Creation concert, the choirs, blessing of animals, Youth initiatives, the Clon-Mino, ministry training, food bank, retreats, the suicide support group and book, remembrance services, social justice involvements,... but the over-whelming highlights for me have been the generosity and enthusiasm of so many to rise to the challenge of the last 2 years so no one was forgotten or left behind and, the privilege of being invited to be a part of and to journey with so many people during this time. I have learnt a lot, been challenged often and grown much. I have never once been made to feel that it's been <i>my* work but *our* work as a community of faith, love and hope.

Clondalkin is blessed with so many unassuming and inspirational people, who are living and embodying the gospel values in their work and everyday lives. The reality is that many of these have little or no relationship, or connection, with the church – for many reasons. But there are miracles happening on our doorstep and in our community every day. Hopefully we have begun to recognise this, to bridge this gap a little and this will continue. Hopefully we as a formal church will continue to be opened to be challenged by their experience and stories as I know I have been. In all humility, if I have achieved or made any impression here in Clondalkin it was only because I was surrounded by, supported by (*sometimes schooled and carried by*) and inspired by so many people both within the Church and within the community.

I will miss the team, colleagues, the place, people, relationships, etc. There is more talent, vision and experience in the parishes here than they give themselves credit for. The community across the parishes in Clondalkin have both the depth of faith and talents to keep moving forward, to continue building and to continue growing a vibrant community of faith. Especially after the experience of the last 2 years, I have learnt that we need each other, we do not journey in isolation, we are a people of hope with a precious gift to bring and a beautiful, much needed and dynamic message to share that is both life-giving and changing. I have also learnt that as a community of faith we need to be there for each other and we need to trust each other and our community, believe we are loved and are enough, share our experience & stories, mirror & witness to our faith, and think global rather than parochial.

I know I'm finding this unexpected move to the Saggart/Rathcoole parishes very challenging, not least, again, because of the timing. So soon after my Mum's death (*thank you for your over-whelming support for both my family and myself*). I feel that at times, with what life throws at us, God definitely has a sense of humour, I just wish at times he would let me in on the joke! But I know and trust that there are and will be blessings, learnings and opportunities whatever the future holds and am sure that I am never alone - there is always, at all times, the support of a strong community of faith.

A huge Thank you to you all for your hospitality, support, prayers, friendship, wisdom and faith. Thank you to all of you for the most amazing years of my life - *so far*! And God continue to bless you all in abundance, and, again, heartfelt thanks for being such a precious part of my journey. *Frank Brown, Parish Pastoral Worker*

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Masses

Clondalkin Village Sundays: (Vigil) Sat 6.30pm, Sunday 9am (As gaeilge) 10.30am, 12 noon

<mark>Weekdays</mark> (Mon – Sat) 10am ONLY

Clonburris Sat 6.30pm, 11 am Sunday Knockmitten Sunday 11am, Mon, Wed, Fri at 10 am

Parish Office Hours Clondalkin: Monday-Friday : 9.30-12.30 Please contact through Phone & Email

Clonburris & Knockmitten: Contact through Village

Submissions for Newsletter: Parishnewsletter1@gmail.com

Moving on

This weekend we say 'goodbye' to Frank Brown who has been a Parish Pastoral Worker in Clondalkin Parish for the past six years. Frank



has made a significant contribution over these years to the life of our parish in a whole variety of ways as well as being involved with many groups, activities and initiatives in the wider Clondalkin area. We wish Frank every blessing as he takes up his new appointment as a Parish Pastoral Worker in Saggart/Rathcoole Parish on 1st October.

A farewell gathering to express our appreciation to Frank will take place on **Monday next, 27th September**, in the Pastoral Centre after the **10am Mass**.

All are welcome.

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

Monday 27th September	St. Vincent de Paul, Priest						
Tuesday 28th September	St. Wenceslaus, Martyr						
	Ss Lawrence Ruiz & Companions,						
	Martyrs						
Wed 29th September	Ss Michael, Gabriel & Raphael,						
	Archangels						
Thursday 30th September	St. Jerome, Priest & Doctor						
	of the Church						
Friday 1st October	St. Therese of the Child Jesus,						
	Virgin & Doctor of the Church						
Saturday 2nd October	The Guardian Angels						
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Keep sending your prayer requests & petitions.

Karen, Paul, Gary, Joan, Kathleen, Sheila, David, Ron, Tom, Maurice, Justin, Shauna, Karl, Robert, Gerry,

Anne, Bobby, Harris, Kevin, Michele, Kay, Victor, Arthur, Conor, Mary, Joan, Fiona, Marie, Ruth, Ronan, Sean, Eddie, Maureen, Lily, Sinead, Matthew, Paul, Chloe, Joe, Martine, Tony, Daragh, Stephen, Regina, Pearse, Pat, David, Kelly,

Sue, Phillip, Josie, Brendan

Our candle is always lit for you!

All are but parts of one stupendous whole, whose body Nature is, and God the soul. Alexander Pope

The worst sin towards our fellow creatures is not to hate them but to be indifferent to them. George Bernard Shaw

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Prayer for Vocations



God our Father, send workers into your harvest. May the Spirit we received in baptism Touch the hearts of many To offer themselves in priesthood, religious life And other forms of service. Give the parents and families of our Diocese the wisdom and courage to support young people in searching for and following the call of God in their lives. Amen.

Víllage Church Sunday 26th September 6.30pm Vigil John Cullen (2nd An), ntentim Aidan & Mary Cullen and Nancy, Phyllis, Seamus & Rita Cullen, Brendan Sexton (14th An), Paddy Looney (An) 10.30am Gerard Doyle (20th An) Monday 27th September 10.00am Patrick, Sara, Brendan & Frank Byrne (B'day Rem) Friday 1st October 10.00am First Friday of the Month - Altar List of the Dead Saturday 2nd October 10.00am **Special Intention** Sunday 3rd October 6.30pm Vigil David & Rita O'Sullivan (Dec'd) Seamus Egan (B'day Rem), Benny & Annie Cummins (An) and Desmond Cummins (An) Maura Heffernan (10th An) 9.00am 10.30am Padraig Doyle (4th An) and his Mother, Agnes Doyle, Patrick (Paddy) Murphy (B'day Rem and 17th An) 12noon Joe McConville (9th An) and Kathleen McConville (1st An) Recently Deceased **JOAN BRADSHAW**

MARY STYNES ANTHONY POWER

May They Rest in Peace



Thank you for all the Mass Cards and good wishes received when I was in hospital. *Katheen Doherty*

Corona Vírus 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. We ask in confidence through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

PRAYER TO THE HOLY FAMILY

Jesus, Mary and Joseph, in you we contemplate the splendour of true love; to you we turn with trust. Holy Family of Nazareth, grant that our families too may be places of communion and prayer, authentic schools

of the Gospel and small domestic churches. Holy Family of Nazareth, may families never again experience violence, rejection and division; may all who have been hurt or scandalized find ready comfort and healing.

Holy Family of Nazareth, make us once more mindful of the sacredness and inviolability of the family, and its beauty in God's plan.

Jesus, Mary and Joseph, graciously hear our prayer. Amen.

(From Amoris Laetitia: The Joy of Love - March 2016)

THE PARISH SHOP

The Parish Shop is open after all Masses on Sunday and after 10am Mass on weekdays.

Mass Cards and greeting cards for all occasions, religious items suitable for Confirmation and First Holy Communion events are on sale. Also available is the Irish Catholic newspaper.



We need volunteers to help us with our Newsletter, website and social media pages

Over the 20 months we have seen how important maintaining communications and connections are. Can you give a bit of your time? Can you help update, add content, help shape our Ministry of Communication for our parish?

Please contact parishnewsletter1@gmail.com or office@clondalkinparish.com for more info.

PRAYER OF POPE FRANCIS ON THE WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES 2021 Sunday 26th September



Holy, beloved Father, your Son Jesus taught us that there is great rejoicing in heaven whenever someone lost is found, whenever someone excluded, rejected or discarded is gathered into our "we", which thus becomes ever wider. We ask you to grant the followers of Jesus, and all people of good will, the grace to do your will on earth. Bless each act of welcome and outreach that draws those in exile into the "we" of community and of the Church, so that our earth may truly become what you yourself created it to be: the common home of all our brothers and sisters. Amen.

A thought for this Sunday for our Polish Parishioners Thanks Chris

Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you. (Ephesians 1:32 MV)

The way the Lord Jesus speaks of sin in today's

gospel may sound very harsh to many of us. Tearing

out your eye or cutting your limbs if they are the cause of sin sounds rather like some brutal depiction of the ancient world. But there is a reason why Jesus speaks like this and paints such pictures. In doing so, he shows us how serious our sins are and how much damage they cause in our lives. Our sins are slowly killing our happiness, health, and our relationships. It is important for us to understand that we should pay attention to our behavior, thoughts, and what we say to others. Be brave in your spiritual fight and repent of your sins, and God will help you on your way.

Dla wielu z nas sposób, w jaki Pan Jezus mówi o grzechu w dzisiejszej ewangelii, może brzmieć bardzo surowo. Wyłupienie sobie oka lub odcinanie kończyn, jeśli są one powodem grzechu, brzmi raczej jak jakiś brutalny obraz starożytnego świata. Ale jest

powód, dla którego Jezus mówi w ten sposób i maluje nam takie obrazy. Dzięki temu pokazuje, jak poważne są grzechy i jak wiele szkód wyrządzają w naszym życiu. Nasze grzechy powoli zabijają nasze szczęście, zdrowie i nasze relacje. Ważne jest, abyśmy rozumieli, że powinniśmy zwracać uwagę na nasze zachowanie, myśli i to, co mówimy do innych.

Bądź odważny w swojej duchowej walce i pokutuj za swoje grzechy, a Bóg wspomoże Ciebie na Twojej drodze.



A Thought - Picture a parish that is a family which is a gathering of many nations. It is a place where all enjoy each other's company and are accepted for who they are; where there is no distinction between race, colour, language or heritage. Is such a place a fantasy? Despite the vast mixture of ethnic backgrounds among leaders and people, people are accepted for the contribution they made to the task, not where they came from or what group they represented. Is this our parish? How do YOU make it so?



WORLD HEART DAY Wednesday 29th September 2021

Heart Day is part of an international campaign to spread awareness about heart disease and stroke prevention. This is the perfect day to quit smoking, get exercising and start eating healthy – all in the name of keeping your ticker in good

working order, and improving the health and well being of people the world over. The aim is to improve health globally by encouraging people to make lifestyle changes and promoting education internationally about ways to be good to your heart. This lesson is becoming increasingly relevant as reports of obesity, poor diet and physical inactivity in children and young people become more and more common. World Heart Day is celebrated every year. It was created by the World Heart Federation. The first World Heart Day took place back in 2000. Since then, in 2012, leaders from around the globe committed to the reduction of worldwide mortality from non-communicable diseases by 25 percent by 2025. As World Heart Day is all about drawing people's attention to heart diseases and illnesses, as well as the range of health issues that are associated with this, it makes sense to raise awareness and also improve your own understanding. We would recommend taking some time to do a bit of research about heart conditions and risk factors. You can then use your online platforms and your social groups in order to raise awareness.

There are both non-governmental and governmental organizations that take part in this date around the world. They do this through the organization of science



fairs, exhibitions, fitness sessions, public talks, walks, and marathons.

https://world-heart-federation.org/world-heart-day/about -whd/world-heart-day-2021/



If you or someone you know is experiencing domestic abuse, we are here to help. There are now several ways to contact Saoirse Domestic Violence Services. Our helpline is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week at 01-4630000 for immediate assistance. For those who are more comfortable communicating via text, we are available on WhatsApp Monday through Friday 9am – 4pm at 087-1049863. We can also be reached via direct message on Facebook or Instagram, and by email at helpline@sdvs.ie or outreach@sdvs.ie



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Visit our website at www.saoirsewomensrefuge.ie

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Blue Skies - In November we have Michelle Stowe back with us for another interactive webinar, Restorative Practices and Additional Education Needs (AEN)

This 2 hr. interactive webinar was designed with SNAs in mind and is ideal for SNAs and teachers of students with additional educational needs to support their students to access restorative practices and processes. But is open to anyone wishing to learn more about supporting access to restorative practice for children and young people with additional education needs.

We will offer an overview of restorative practice, the philosophy, motivation and skills while accenting the relational role of those that work as SNAs in school communities, scaffolding considerations that may meet the needs of students with AEN to engage in RP. For more info click here Book Now

CLONDALKIN RECOVERY CHOIR ♪

Do You Like to sing?

Are you in recovery or a family member or a supporter of someone in recovery?

If so we'd love to hear from you...

Clondalkin Recovery Choir is a new project launching for recovery month that is a different type of wellbeing support for people in recovery, their family members and supporters.

<u>No singing experience is required!</u> The choir will welcome people of all and no singing ability. The choir will be lead by a professional singingteacher in a safe, comfortable and fun environment.

> To register your interest or find out more Contact coordinator@cdatf.ie 0860401375

> > Clondalkin Tus Nua 🔿



Compassion is to look beyond your own pain, to see the pain of others.

🙀 Clondalkin Cares

Clondalkin Cares Food Bank 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



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

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













Just a small selection of the fabulous local crafts already donated - Thank You - please keep them coming!! We hope to have a raffle/auction in October to raise much needed funds for the Clondalkin Cares Foodbank





CLONDAKIN MENS SHED at MAYFIELD is RE-OPENING **MONDAY 27th** MONDAYS/WEDNESDAYS/THURSDAYS/ FRIDAYS from 10.30 to 5pm on TUESDAYS 2pm to 5pm. On Tuesdays we meet in Corkagh park car park for our weekly walk at 11am. We also manage a Garden at CASP and are open on Monday/ Wednesday and Friday 10.30 to 2pm It's here, the astronomical fall season, staring on September 22 at 19,21pm. The wild flowers are mini spurting, grabbing the Autumn sunshine. Soaking up the big sky and sea breezes and the kaleidoscopic bird sounds in the wetlands on Bull Island. Oh a joy to behold, a lovely purple plant, Common Mallow (malva sylvestris). In late September, nice one, only one. No, no, no. It can't be. They'll come down. But ya know what, they're happy dudes, the cattle wintering high up in the Burren, feasting on the sweet grass in the cracks in the limestone and absorbing the minerals from the flat

The Burren: Heart of racing the ge

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limestone, a natural lick. Don't miss the two episodes on the RTE player.

Only 14 days left. Look out for the oak sapling in the Village Church Grounds. Nice One. Eddie.



Guardian Angels

On October 2nd we celebrate the feast of the Guardian Angels. Did you STOPI know that God has an angel OU KNOW specially looking after you? STEAUNG God gave you a guardian angel IS A to help guard you against SIN temptation and danger.

> Angels are pure spirits. Even though we draw them

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like people with wings, they don't have bodies, so they don't take up space. They can see and understand much more than we can, and they know God much better than we do, too. They are very powerful and can help us very much.

We should try to talk to our Guardian Angel every day. Thank your angel for looking after you, and ask him to keep protecting you from evil. Here is a good prayer you can say every day:





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