

Clondalkin Village Parish

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Parish Newsletter Sunday 28th November 2021



Masses

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Sunday 11am

Mon, Wed, Fri at 10am

Sundays: (Vigil) Sat

6.30pm, Sunday 9am (As

Gaeilge) 10.30am, 12 noon

Weekdays (Mon - Fri)

his weekend we begin a new liturgical year. First up is the season of Advent, a short few weeks with the focus on preparation for the great feast of Christmas when we celebrate the birth of Jesus our Saviour.

The few weeks leading up to Christmas are busy ones for many people. There is much to be done. There are Christmas cards to post, trees, decorations and lights to put up, presents to buy, food

and drink to get in, homes to be cleaned and tidied in preparation for visitors. While 7.30am, 10.00am there may be less by way of parties and social gatherings this year due to the preva- (Sat) 10.00am lence of the Covid-19 virus, it can still be quite a hectic time.

Amid all the hustle and bustle it's important that we do not lose sight of the essential Sat 6.30pm, Sunday 11am meaning of Christmas, which is the birth of Jesus. We rightly celebrate this wonderful self-revelation of God to us in the person of Jesus who ultimately brings about our redemption through his life, death and resurrection.

For Christians, Advent is a time of waiting. We look forward with an eager expectation to the birth of Christ at Christmas. Preparing for Christmas means Parish Office Hours preparing ourselves for the coming of the Lord. It's a time for taking stock, for Clondalkin: reflecting, and for making adjustments to our way of living where necessary. We Monday-Friday: 9.30-12.30 recognise that Christ has already come to us and we await his second coming again at the end of time. We aim to use the time of Advent to get ourselves properly prepared.

What can we do during Advent? We can make time for daily prayer, read some passages from the Bible and reflect on how we are answering the call of God who invites us daily to come and follow him. We can think of other people and maybe Contact through Village reach out in some helpful way to them. Perhaps we can visit an elderly relative or neighbour who may be living on their own and not as able to get out and about as before. We can tell family and friends that we love them and how much they mean to us. We can make a donation to a charity of our choice equivalent to what we might reasonably spend on a Christmas present. We can do a random act of kindness every day or week. We can go to

Confession or attend a Service of Reconciliation in recognition of the fact that Jesus came to save us from our sins. I wish you every blessing as we begin this new liturgical year. May your Advent season be a grace-filled time in which you experience God's great love for you. As we prepare for and await the Christmas festivities, we pray the

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Fr. Kieran Coghlan

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. We ask in confidence through Christ Our Lord. Amen

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great Advent prayer, Come, Lord Jesus.

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FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

Tuesday 30th November Friday 3rd December Saturday 4th December St. Andrew, Apostle
St. Francis Xavier, Priest
St. John Damascene, Priest and
Doctor of the Church

We remember in our prayers the people and intentions we have been asked to pray for this week.



Our candle is always lit for you.

Recently Deceased
COLETTE LANE
THOMAS HUGHES
PATRICK RYAN
FRANCIS KELLY

May They Rest in Peace

MARY BRADY

St. Andrew (1st Century) Apostle Feast Day - 30th November

Andrew, a Galilean fisherman from Bethsaida, was the first disciple to be called by Jesus. He is said to have preached the gospel in Greece and to have been crucified at Patras. He is patron of Scotland, Russia and Greece. Andrew had been a disciple of John the Baptist. He was one of the two standing with John when Jesus passed and John stared hard at him and said, "Look, there is the lamb of God". The two disciples followed Jesus, who turned and asked them, "What do you want?" They answered, "Rabbi, Where do you live?" "Come and see." was Jesus's reply. They went and saw where he lived, and stayed with him the rest of the day. Early next morning, Andrew met his brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah," and he took Simon to Jesus. Jesus looked hard at Simon and said, "You are Simon, son of John, you are to be called Cephas", meaning Rock (Jn 1:35-42). Mark has a slightly different version: both fishermen brothers were casting their net in the lake, when Jesus said, "Follow me and I will make you into fishers of men. And at once they left their nets and followed him." (Mk 1:16-18). Peter subsequently takes the leadership role, but Andrew is always in the first four in the lists of the names of the twelve apostles. It is Andrew who points out there is a small boy there with five barley loaves and two fish from which the crowd are miraculously fed (Jn 6:1-9). It is Andrew who helps Philip to bring the Greeks along who want to see Jesus (Jn 12:20-22). Andrew is said to have evangelised in Asia Minor and Greece. It was also said that he was martyred by crucifixion at the city of Patras (Patræ) in Achaea. Early texts, such as the Acts of Andrew known to Gregory of Tours, describe Andrew as bound, not nailed, to a Latin cross of the kind on which Jesus is said to have been crucified; yet a tradition developed that Andrew had been crucified on a cross of the form called Crux decussata (X-shaped cross, or "saltire"), now commonly known as a "Saint Andrew's Cross" — supposedly at his own request, as he deemed himself unworthy to be crucified on the same type of cross as Jesus

Víllage Church

6.30pm Vigil

Sunday 28th November

Joe Fitzgibbon (8th An)

Barbara Wright (R.I.P.)

9.00am Paddy Green (B'day Rem) and dec'd

family members

Michael Lindsay Jnr (B'day Rem)

10.30am Denis Flanagan (An), George Browne (An)

Vera Phelan (4th An) and Tom Phelan (An)

12noon Mary Reilly (An), Dave Mitchell (7th An)

Rosaleen Delaney (1st An) Kathleen McDonald (16th An)

Monday 29th November

7.30am John O'Dee (An) & Bridget O'Dee (An)

Tuesday 30th November

7.30am Johnny Heffernan (2nd An) **10.00am** Johnny Heffernan (An)

Wednesday 1st December

10.00am Patricia Hayden (2nd An)

Friday 3rd December

10.00am First Friday- Altar List of the Dead

Saturday 4th December

10.00am Elsie Naughton (B'day Rem)

Sunday 5th December

6.30pm Vigil Peg Lynch & Daniel Lynch (An)

Enie Fitzgerald & dec'd members of

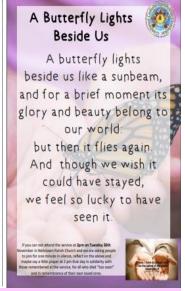
the Fitzgerald family,

Mary Ashe (10th An) Martin Whelan (An)

10.30am Joseph Ledwidge (4th An)

12noon Minnie Murphy (2nd An), Marion Corless





If people would like their loved ones remembered at this service, please send their names to neilstownparishgroup@gmail.com and we will light a candle for their loved ones at this service.

VACANCIES

SCHOOL CHAPLAIN - TEMPLEOGUE COLLEGE

A Youth Minister is currently being sought to work as a School Chaplain located in Templeogue College and a Parish outreach worker to young people located in Kimmage and Greenhills. The role will involve the resourcing, delivery, and support of a youth ministry programme in the School and Parish with a focus on building capacity in the local context. The successful candidate will engage with the development of Youth and Pastoral programmes and Sacramental coordination. The candidate will liaise with the school Principal and Parish Priest in the performance of their duties and actively promote and encourage the involvement of young people in the life of the local faith school/parish community. Further details are available from info@templeoguecollege.ie or by calling o1 4905788.

DAY CENTRE MANAGER, CABRA.

Christ the King Community Day Centre is looking to hire a manager 4 days per week (A total of 20 hours). The full job description is available from the Secretary of the Management Committee. Contract: This is a 1-year fixed-term contract and a 6 months probation period would apply. Hours of Work: 20 hours per week. If you are interested in this position, please email your letter of application and current CV to:

eleanormcmanus36@gmail.com, for the attention of Eleanor McManus, Secretary, Managing Committee. Closing Date: 5.00 pm on Friday 10th December 2021. The proposed Interview dates are the first week in January 2022.

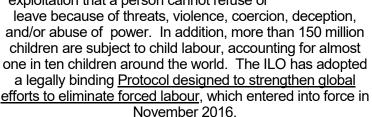
ACTIVITY CENTRE ADMINISTRATOR - ST FINTAN'S PARISH

St. Fintan's Parish Pastoral Centre is looking for a part time Activity Centre Administrator. Monday – Friday mornings for approx. 20 – 25 hours per week. Please see attached the full role description. To apply, please email: parishcentresutton@gmail.com

INTERNATIONAL DAY FOR THE ABOLITION OF SLAVERY - 2nd December

According to the <u>International Labour Organisation</u> (ILO) more than 40 million people worldwide are victims of modern

slavery. Although modern slavery is not defined in law, it is used as an umbrella term covering practices such as forced labour, debt bondage, forced marriage, and human trafficking. Essentially, it refers to situations of exploitation that a person cannot refuse or



Slavery has evolved and manifested itself in different ways throughout history. Today some traditional forms of slavery still persist in their earlier forms, while others have been transformed into new ones. The UN human rights bodies have documented the persistence of old forms of slavery that are embedded in traditional beliefs and customs. These forms of slavery are the result of long-standing discrimination against the most vulnerable groups in societies, such as those regarded as being of low caste, tribal minorities and indigenous peoples.

A thought for this Sunday for our Polish Parishioners

Thanks Chris



God the Father fulfilled all the promises He made to mankind in Jesus just as He said in the words of the prophet Jeremiah. Today, we are awaiting the fulfillment of Jesus' words about His Second Coming, and we should prepare ourselves for this encounter. St. Paul advises us to grow and make more and more progress in our spiritual life. And God will confirm our hearts in holiness so that we may be blameless in His eyes when our Lord Jesus Christ returns.

Bóg Ojciec wypełnił wszystkie swoje obietnice, które dał człowiekowi w Jezusie, jak to zapowiedział słowami proroka Jeremiasza. W obecnym czasie oczekujemy na spełnienie się słów Jezusa o Jego powtórnym przyjściu i powinniśmy się przygotować do tego spotkania. Św. Paweł radzi, abyśmy wzrastali i czynili coraz większy postęp w życiu duchowym. A Bóg utwierdzi nasze serca w świętości, abyśmy mogli być nienaganni w Jego oczach, kiedy Pan Jezus powróci.

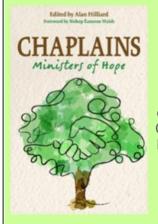
November Altar List of the Dead

Envelopes now available in the Church.

People on the Altar list are remembered especially at Mass on the First Friday of every month.

Judgements prevent us from seeing the good that lies beyond appearances.

Wayne Dyer



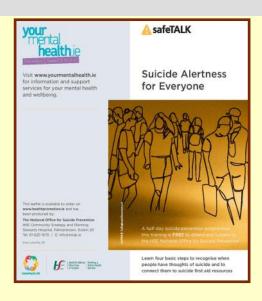
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AWARE - SUPPORT & SELF CARE GROUPS

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/www.aware.ie/www.aware.ie/www.aware.ie/



On **Wednesday the 8th of December** 9.30 a.m. to 1.15 p.m. there is a safeTALK training in Quarryvale FRC, c/o QCYC, Greenfort Gardens, Clondalkin. safeTALK trains participants to be suicide alert and to support a person thinking of suicide to access support. Please see attached Information flyer.

The training is open to anyone living and/or working in the North Clondalkin area and who is aged 18 or over. It is advised that anyone who has been affected by suicide in the last 12 months does not participate.

Due to Covid-19 restrictions and regulations the number of participants is set at a maximum of **23**. Facemasks must be worn and Covid-passes will be checked at registration on the day.

safeTALK Wednesday 8th December at 9.30 a.m. Deadline for registration Friday 3rd December

Karin Jonsson, Manager, Quarryvale FRC.
Shancastle Avenue/Greenfort Gardens, Clondalkin,
Dublin 22.

Tel: 01-623 0264/01-626 9151 Mobile: 085-202 0300

COVID-19 SUPPORT LINE FOR OLDER PEOPLE

ALONE manage a national support 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.





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- Quarryvale Community and Youth Centre Mon-Fri 11-3.
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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

As we begin the season of Advent, you might find these resources helpful for reflection during the first week.



Week 1 - Hope

Invocation

Code of hope, we are going to listen for you as we start this new church year,

the loust quiet all the other sounds and commotion around us and listen

only for you as we wait in hope for the day when we will celebrate your

nearnation.

Confession

God, it seems like it started even earlier this year. All the ads and the decorations, the special songs and the movies on tv. The sound of the season is deafening. This year we want to quiet the input a little more each week until we can hear your Word speaking to us. Please be patient with us as we try to listen for your Spirit's voice.

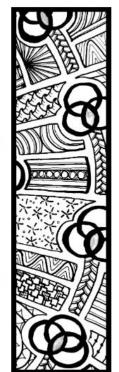
Give ear, O Shapherd of Israel, you who lead Joseph like a flock! Restore us, O Lord God of hosts; let your face shine, that we might be saved.

1 Contributions 13-9
Great to you an opeca from God our Father and the Lord Issus Christ, I give thanks to my God swings for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ, I gause, for in overy may you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of wary kind - just as the teatmony of Christ has been strengthened somely you — so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you was for the revealing of our Lord issus Christ. God Isfathfully bely him you were called into the fallowship of his Son, Jasus Christ our Lord.

parson. Help us to listen in the silence.

Christ, restore our hope even when there is so much chatter that we struggle to hear which voice is yours. Give us hope that we can help one another. Give us hope that we will find ways to feed and care for all people and, above all, treat everyone with respect. Help us to listen in the noise.

Holy Spirit, restore our hope that you are with us and will help us. Give non's pirre, restore our nope that you are with as and with help us, on us the ears to hear those who are speaking out in love. Give us wisdo to know your voice when we hear it. Help us to listen for the sound of your voice. Amen



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.

Parish Christmas cards, Remembrance cards and Christmas items now available in the Shop.

There I was legging it down New Nangor Road near the M50 flyover, admiring the Limestone Boulders in the grass verge, when a pristine patch of native moss (Brachythecium) growing on a bare limestone boulder fixated me. Simply stunning and potentially there for 40 years since the New Nangor Road was built. Also nourished for 40 years that kaleidoscope of Spring colour at the junction of Yellow Meadows Road and New Nangor Road, belies its late November presentation. And in the river field, see the new Yearling (could be a small breed Clyde's Dale).

Climate Stuff.

Hurray ... December 21st is coming and our orientation to the Sun deepens daily to June 21st. Sun is overhead today in northern Madascar. In 8 years, diesel and petrol cars are kaput. In current electric cars, the entire bottom of the car is needed to house the batteries. So your diesel, petrol car can't be modified for electric. Problem - who will buy your car next year? Eddie



Remember that this is not a contest. There is no grade, it is just a time to hang out with God and





An Advent Prayer

Father, in the wilderness of the Jordan, you sent a messenger to prepare people's hearts for the coming of your Son. Help me to hear his words and repent of my sins, so that I may clearly see the way to walk, the truth to speak, and the life to live for him, Our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

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we are immersed in a majestic river of invocations that precedes us and proceeds after us. Pope Francis





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