



Clondalkin Village Parish

Immaculate Conception & St. Killian Church

Clonburris  **Knockmitten**

Parish Newsletter

Sunday 19th December 2021



Fourth Sunday
of Advent

We are in the final days of the Advent season and the last minute preparations for Christmas. We are about to celebrate the wonderful Christmas event that is the birth of the child Jesus in Bethlehem. In this marvellous moment of history we see the infinite love of God for all humanity revealed to us in a human child. We celebrate the redemptive work of God who comes to us in Jesus, who through his life, death and resurrection, brings about our salvation.

In choosing to reveal himself to us in Jesus, God affirms in a most powerful way the dignity of human life. In Jesus we see the potential for good in every human person created in the image and likeness of God. As we celebrate the coming of Christ at Christmas, we are reminded of our calling as disciples of Jesus to live the love of God and neighbour to the best of our ability.

While Christmas is meant to be a joyful time it is not always so for everyone. For some people Christmas can be a difficult and stressful time. There are those feeling the pain of loss who will be without someone at the dinner table for the first time this Christmas. There are households where there will be rows and violence, often fuelled by excessive indulgence in alcohol. There will be families that will struggle to make ends meet, to put food on the table, to have presents for the children and who may end up in considerable debt when the Christmas season is over.

The message of Christmas is essentially one of love that brings hope for all humanity. It's a welcome message in this time of pandemic when we are all somewhat weary with the continuing waves of infection and restrictions that have characterised our lives for the past two years. As Christians we are tasked with making this message of salvation in Jesus known to everyone. This is Good News and we must proclaim it to people in every way possible.

I wish all parishioners every joy and blessing as we celebrate at Christmas. May the love of God, made visible in the infant Jesus, bring you peace of mind and of heart. May the Lord bless you, your families and your friends in every way. May you truly know the comforting presence of the Emmanuel, the God who comes to us at Christmas and who is with us until the end of time.



Fr. Kieran Coghlan



Masses

Clondalkin Village

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

Weekdays (Mon – Fri)
7.30am, 10.00am
(Sat) 10.00am

Clonburris

Sat 6.30pm, Sunday 11am

Knockmitten

Sunday 11am

Mon, Wed, Fri at 10am

Parish Office Hours

Clondalkin:

Monday-Friday : 9.30-12.30

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Christmas Schedule 2021



Confessions

Monday 20th to Friday 24th December
after 10am Mass in the Village Church.

Christmas Masses

Christmas Eve – Friday 24th December

Village - Mass at 6pm and 10pm

Knockmitten - Mass at 6pm

Clonburris - Mass at 9pm

Christmas Day – Saturday 25th December

Village - Mass at 9am (in Irish), 10.30am and 12 noon

Knockmitten - Mass at 10am

Clonburris - Mass at 11am

St. Stephen's Day – Sunday 26th December

Village - Mass at 9am (in Irish), 10.30am and 12 noon

Knockmitten - Mass at 11am

Clonburris - Mass at 11am

Monday 27th to Friday 31st December

Village - Mass at 10am each day

Village Church



Sunday 19th December

6.30pm Vigil Chris Stapleton (Rem)

Elizabeth & Nicholas West (Rem) & dec'd
members of the West family

Kathleen & Danny O'Neill (Rem)

James & Kathleen Gallagher, Gretta Gallagher

Kathleen Nolan & Paddy Kelly (Rem)

John Scully (An), Mary & Patrick Hendley
(Rem) & dec'd members of the Hendley

family, Bridie & Paddy O'Brien (An)

Peggie & Maria Ging (An)

9.00am Laurence O'Brien & Katie McDonald
(Rem)

10.30am Pauline Murphy (5th An) & all dec'd
members of the Byrne & Murphy families
Katy & Jack Fitzgerald & dec'd family members
Patrick & Mary Cosgrove & dec'd family

members, Cathy Bearpark (MM)

Bridget Brannigan (An)

Mary Kirwan (An), Geraldine & Mary Larnihan
(An), John, Lucy & Olive Corcoran (Rem)

Lily, May & Kathleen McCormack (Rem)

12noon Eilish Hynes, Eileen Hynes, Eon Shiel (An)
Paddy Delaney (An), Eugene Garrigan (4th An)

Bridie & Sean Foran (An)

John Fleming (8th An) & Lilian Fleming

(2nd An), George McDonnell (10th An)

Conan Kelly (1st An - died 25/12/20)

Jamie Maloney Butler (MM)

Liam Callaghan & dec'd members of the
Callaghan and Shannon families

Cecilia Fox (1st An)

Monday 20th December

7.30am Bridie & Jack Murphy (R.I.P.)

10.00am Cecilia Fox (1st An)

Tuesday 21st December

7.30am Special Intention

10.00am Patrick & Sara Byrne (R.I.P.)

Wednesday 22nd December

7.30am Special Intention

10.00am Joe Cleary (R.I.P.)

Thursday 23rd December

7.30am Seamus Egan (14th An)

10.00am Bill Brannigan (An)

Friday 24th December

10.00am Seamus Egan (14th An)

Saturday 25th December - Christmas Day

Intentions of the Parish and Parishioners
remembered at all Masses today.

Sunday 26th December - St. Stephen's Day

9.00am Maura Devitt (An), Ann Devitt and
Micheál Devitt

12noon Madeleine Hodgens (An)

Johnny Delaney (An), Christopher Kearns (1st An)
Nora & Bernard Sheridan (Rem & An)



Recently Deceased

MATTHEW DUFFY

MICHAEL McGREEVEY

May They Rest in Peace

Loving God, help us remember the birth of
Jesus, that we may share in the song of the
angels, the gladness of the shepherds, and the
worship of the wise men.

Robert Louis Stevenson

MASS INTENTIONS (continued)

Monday 27th December

10.00am Gerlinda Will (An)

Tuesday 28th December

10.00am Christopher, Lilian & Brendan Behan (An)

Wednesday 29th December

10.00am Fran Mulholland (5th An)

Thursday 30th December

10.00am Moya Riordan (An)

Friday 31st December

10.00am Percy Reeves (An)

Financial Support for Mass Collections

Our parish depends on the financial support of the people to support the mission of the church

Digital Giving

In an increasingly cashless society, driven by ever changing technology, we must be able to respond to the new and innovative ways in which people can donate to our Churches. This is particularly true in the current COVID19 situation.

We are always looking at new ways of accepting donations. We already have a donate button on our website page. As another way to donate we have introduced a Tap & Go machine into our church. The Tap & Go machine is simple to use, secure, and a safe way for people who don't carry cash to donate to Mass collections.

The Tap & Go machine is at the back of the church near to the Parish Shop.

Please use the simple step by step guide on the poster to make a donation.



Thank you for your donation

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.

A thought for this Sunday for our Polish Parishioners

Thanks Chris



Christmas is not only a time to remember what happened two thousand years ago. It is about our

Saviour coming to this world in human flesh. And the newborn Jesus can be the beginning of our transformation.

In today's gospel, we see Mary greeting Elizabeth, and Elizabeth is filled with the Holy Spirit. Yes, we should let Jesus take over the reins of our lives, so that our every encounter with people may fill them with the Holy Spirit... Can you imagine it? Let Jesus be born in your heart and the experience of God's incarnation will take on a new meaning for you.

Boże Narodzenie to nie tylko czas w którym wspominamy to co wydarzyło się dwa tysiące lat temu. To moment, w którym nasz Zbawiciel przychodzi na ten świat w ludzkim ciele. I ten nowonarodzony Jezus może być początkiem naszej przemiany. W dzisiejszej ewangelii widzimy Maryję, która pozdrawia Elżbietę, a ta zostaje napełniona Duchem Świętym. Powinniśmy pozwolić Jezusowi przejąć stery naszego życia, tak aby przy każdym naszym spotkaniu z ludźmi, zostali oni napełnieni Duchem Świętym... Czy jesteś w stanie sobie to wyobrazić? Pozwól Jezusowi narodzić się w twoim sercu, a doświadczenie wcielenia Boga nabierze dla Ciebie nowego znaczenia.

VILLAGERS SENIOR GROUP

Our deepest sympathy goes out to two of our sister Villagers who recently suffered bereavements.

Mary Cassells and Angela McGreevey - our thoughts and prayers are with you each day. Please God, surround them with your love.

To all our Villagers, keep safe and I hope Christmas is a healthy one for you. Hopefully, the new year will bring better times for us all.

Geraldine

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 this in confidence through Christ Our Lord.

Amen

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

Mon 20th December
Tues 21st December

Thurs 23rd December
Sat 25th December
Sun 26th December

St. Fachanan, Bishop
St. Peter Canisius, Priest and Doctor of the Church
St. John of Kanty, Priest
The Nativity of the Lord
The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

AWARE - SUPPORT & SELF CARE GROUPS

If you, or someone you know, 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

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.

CROSSCARE CHRISTMAS APPEAL

**Help us help
Families**

Support our appeal to end food poverty

DONATE ON LINE AT WWW.CROSSCARE.IE
OR CALL 01-8360011



Thank You

We would like to thank our regular contributors to the Parish Newsletter for their faithfulness, insight, opinions, sense of good humour and photos, all of which greatly add to the content. Our best wishes to you all for Christmas and we look forward to your inspired contributions throughout the coming year.

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.



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*

AN IRISH CHRISTMAS BLESSING

May you be blessed with the spirit of the
season which is peace, the
gladness of the season, which is
hope, and the heart of the
season, which is love.





We wish all our readers, both local and further afield, a Happy and Peaceful Christmas and God's blessing on all your endeavours in 2022. We are always happy to receive your comments as well as contributions to the newsletter, so please keep in touch and let us know how we're doing. Email us at ***parishnewsletter1@gmail.com***

A Happy Christmas and a Blessed New Year To All

Oiche chiúin, oiche Mhic Dé
Cách 'na suan, dís araon
Dís is dilse ag faire le spéis
Naí beag gnaoi-gheal ceanán tais caomh
Críost ina chodladh go séimh
Críost ina chodladh go séimh

Silent night, Holy night
All is calm, all is bright
Round yon Virgin Mother and Child
Holy Infant, so tender and mild
Sleep in Heavenly Peace
Sleep in Heavenly Peace