



Clondalkin Village Parish

Immaculate Conception & St. Killian Church

Clonburris  **Knockmitten**

Parish Newsletter

Sunday 13th February 2022

6th Sunday
of
Ordinary
Time

BLESSINGS AND WOES

The message in today's Gospel may be difficult for some to hear and even more difficult to live. It asks some hard questions and invites us to live our lives in the light of Jesus' blessings and woes.

In Chapter 6 of Luke's Gospel Jesus talks about how we, as His followers, are to be in the world and not about what we are; how we are to bring about the Kingdom of God, which is God's dream, and desire for all His people. It is up to us to respond and make it present by how we live.

Jesus periodically took time out from a busy schedule to pray and commune with God. In Luke 6, after spending a night in prayer on the mountain, Jesus chooses twelve men from the group of his disciples who will represent him and what he stands for to the world. After his prayerful choice, he comes down with them and stands on a level space where the crowds are and where he ministers to the sick. Then, "Fixing his gaze on the disciples" he speaks four blessings and four woes, balancing each Blessing with a Woe.

*"Blessed are you who are poor, who are hungry, who weep, who are reviled."
"Woe to you who are rich, who are full, who laugh, who are praised."*

The Blessings come from Jesus' own experience with people in pain, people who were economically and socially condemned as outcasts. His call was to awaken faith in the nearness of God in their struggle against suffering. When he entrusted his mission to his disciples, he charged them with the same task, sending them "to proclaim the Kingdom of God and to heal", to act on behalf of the poor and the hungry, to share in the sorrow of all who are weeping and in despair, to bring about peace and justice. In other words, "Be compassionate as your heavenly Father is compassionate".

As for the Woes, Jesus is saying there is no place in God's reign for those who have unless they share with those who have not, no genuine satisfaction in life for those who are empty and hollow inside, no meaningful praise for those who do nothing about injustice and inequality.

In the Beatitudes Jesus offers us a way of life, a set of values that turn our usual way of being upside down. When the people who have, cross the divide and share with those who have not, then we can all stand "on level ground."

Sr. 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. We ask this in confidence through Christ Our Lord. Amen

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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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Phone & Email**

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Contact through Village

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Ordination to the Priesthood

We invite you to join in praying for

Deacon Joe Keegan

who will be ordained to the priesthood by Archbishop Dermot Farrell on Sunday 20th February at 3pm in the Church of the Most Precious Blood, Cabra West, Dublin 7.

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.



FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

Monday 14th February	St. Cyril, Monk and St. Methodius, Bishop
Thursday 17th February	St. Fintan of Clonenagh, Abbot The Seven Founders of the Order of Servites, Religious



The annual collection for ACCORD Dublin, the Diocesan Agency for Marriage and the Family, will be made at all Masses this weekend
12th & 13th February.

ACCORD Dublin throughout the Diocese offers:

- Marriage Preparation courses – online, small groups.
- Counselling for couples and individuals experiencing difficulties in their relationships, currently online or by phone.
- A Relationship and Sexuality Programme for schools.

ACCORD Dublin needs your support this year more than ever.

Please give generously.

Village Church



Sunday 13th February

6.30pm Vigil Bill & Paddy Dennis (An)
Catherine Florish (MM)

9.00am Bríd Uí Ógán

10.30am William Mannion (MM)
Gerard Doyle (B'day Rem)
Aishling Murphy (MM)

12noon Sheila Barry (An), Eddie Lynch (1st An)
Eileen & Michael O'Connor (An)

Monday 14th February

7.30am Special Intention

Tuesday 15th February

10.00am Special Intention

Wednesday 16th February

7.30am Peadar Kinane (Birthday Rem)
10.00am James Egan (An)

Sunday 20th February

6.30pm Vigil Ita O'Gorman (An)
Bunnie & Sean Stynes (An), Nora McHugh (9th An)
and Thomas McHugh (Rem)



Recently Deceased

**DONAL FARRELLY
ANN DEASY**

May They Rest in Peace

Sacramental Registration

Parents who wish their children to receive the Sacraments of First Reconciliation, First Holy Communion or Confirmation in our Parish this year are now invited to register their children with our Parish for these Sacraments.

Registration is by means of an on-line form that is now available on our Parish Website, www.clondalkinparish.com

***Closing date for registration is
28th February 2022.***



Never forget & never
let us
forget...
You are loved,
honoured,
accepted, valued,
respected, always
welcome and
prayed for.

A single sunbeam is enough to
drive away many shadows.



St. Francis of Assisi

A thought for this Sunday for our Polish Parishioners Thanks Chris



Have you thanked God today for your family, friends, work, or food that is on your table? It is so easy to forget God when we are short of nothing or think we need no help. Jesus does not condemn people who are rich or who laugh. He shows us that only a deep relationship with God can fully fill all our desires. Jeremiah says we will be blessed when we put our trust in the Lord. Because even if we lack something, He will be with us and make us happy. Be grateful! Everything is God's grace!

Czy dziękowałeś Bogu dzisiaj za swoją rodzinę, przyjaciół, pracę czy jedzenie, które masz na stole? Tak łatwo jest nam zapomnieć o Bogu, kiedy niczego nam nie brakuje albo wydaje nam się, że nie potrzebujemy pomocy. Jezus nie potępia ludzi bogatych ani weselących się. Pokazuje nam, że tylko głęboka relacja z Bogiem może w pełni zaspokoić wszystkie nasze pragnienia. Jeremiasz mówi, że będziemy błogosławieni, gdy zaufamy Panu. Bo nawet jeśli by nam czegoś zabrakło, On będzie przy nas i sprawi, że będziemy szczęśliwi. Bądźmy wdzięczni! Wszystko jest łaską Bożą!

Saint Bernadette Soubirous February 18

BERNADETTE WAS THE OLDEST CHILD OF A POOR FAMILY IN FRANCE. SHE WORKED AS A MAID AND SHEPHERESS BUT COULD NOT READ OR WRITE.

ONE DAY SHE WAS NEAR THE RIVER WITH HER FRIENDS AND SAW A LADY STANDING IN A HOLLOW IN THE HILL.

MIRACLES BEGAN TO HAPPEN TO PEOPLE TO DRINK OR WASHED IN THE WATER. My baby is cured. New York.

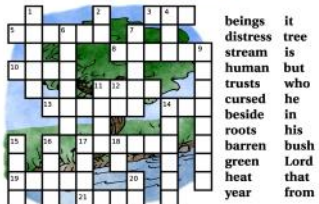
THE THIRD TIME SHE CAME THE LADY ASKED HER TO COME AGAIN FOR 15 DAYS.

Drunk the water! (How... what? It's a bit wet here.)

PEOPLE IN THE GOVERNMENT WERE HARD ON BERNADETTE BECAUSE THEY DIDN'T BELIEVE HER, BUT A CHURCH WAS BUILT ANYWAY!

BECAUSE BERNADETTE WAS HONEST, SHE WAS ABLE TO BRING OUR LADY'S MESSAGES TO THE WORLD. THROUGH HER OUR BLESSED MOTHER TOLD THE WORLD THAT SHE WAS THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION THAT SHE NEVER HAD ORIGINAL SIN. ARE YOU HONEST ENOUGH TO SHARE THE TRUTH ABOUT GOD?

Trust in the Lord Cross-Word



beings
distress
stream
human
trusts
cursed
beside
roots
barren
green
heat
year

Here is today's first reading, from Jeremiah.
Fill in the blanks using the words from the list and fit them into the puzzle.

Thus says the Lord:
8a is the one who trusts in 7d 17a
3a seeks 4d strength 18d flesh,
whose heart turns away 16d the Lord.
12d is like a 13a 17d in the desert
11a enjoys no change of season,
14a stands in a lava waste, a salt and empty earth.
Blessed is the one who 5a in the Lord,
whose hope is the 15d.
He 2d like a 11d planted 14d the waters that
stretches out its 19a to the 6d;
it fears not the 21a, when 20d comes; its leaves stay 1d;
in the 10a of drought it shows no 9d,
but still bears fruit.

Hidden Blessings

HAN!
I'M SO HUNGRY!

In today's Gospel reading Jesus tells us that people who are poor, hungry, or sad are blessed! Do they sound blessed to you?

Bad things that happen to us have hidden blessings in them. If you are poor then your family and friends are more important to you than money and things. If you are hungry then you appreciate food more. If you are sad then sometimes it's easier to remember to pray.

But things that seem bad have another hidden blessing in them- when you are suffering, you can give your sadness or hurt to Jesus. Tell Him you are offering it up along with Him on the cross. He will give you grace to make your soul stronger. You can offer things up for other people too, and God will use your gift to help them!

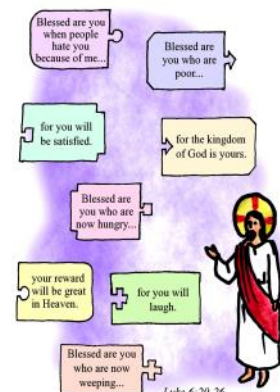
Next time you feel unhappy about something, try to find the hidden blessing!



Just for us!

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Can you match up the pieces in this puzzle?



Luke 6:20-26

Man, look at the clear grey Dawn at 7.40am, pristine, pure and clear. Stunning and all aglow, driven by the power of the Sun from 93 million miles away, the Vault of the sky is alive and richly coloured only 28 minutes later. That turning moment of the day has arrived. Be up savouring the horizon from the bridge at Luas Red Cow around 7am. At this time of year, and boy is Nature attuned and alive. There it is, my first Dandelion bloom, and the white stuff. That early light green growth of nettles. Myriad tender leaves unfurling everywhere. That Sun is one powerful performer. But, but, but, having had a steady hard look at the science, embrace nature with both arms and hug it tight. We can hang on to it but we need to ditch our excesses now and return to basics. Starting the trip now.

Eddie.





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 10-12.30.
- **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



South Dublin
County Partnership
Páirtíocht Chontae
Átha Cliath Theas



Do you need help to set up a MyGov. & Email account



South Dublin County Partnership are here to help you!
In the heart of your community
North Clondalkin Library



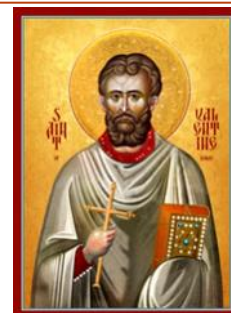
Free 1.5 hr. Workshop

Call now to register on 0872981637

Month	Workshop	Date & Time
March	MyGov & Email Workshop	08/03/2022 10.30-12noon
April	MyGov & Email Workshop	05/04/2022 10.30-12noon
May	MyGov & Email Workshop	03/05/2022 10.30-12noon
June	MyGov & Email Workshop	07/06/2022 10.30-12noon

FEAST OF ST. VALENTINE - Monday 14th February

Throughout the centuries since Valentine received martyrdom there have been various basilicas, churches and monasteries built over the site of his grave. Therefore, over the years, many restorations and reconstructions took place at the site. In the early 1800's, such work was taking place and the remains of Valentine were discovered along with a small vessel tinged with his blood and some other artefacts. In 1835 an Irish Carmelite by the name of John Spratt was visiting Rome. Apparently his fame as a preacher had gone before him, no doubt brought by some Jesuits who had been in Dublin. The elite of Rome flocked to hear him and he received many tokens of esteem from the doyens of the Church. One such token came from Pope Gregory XVI (1831-1846) and were the remains of Saint Valentine. On November 10, 1836, the Reliquary containing the remains arrived in Dublin and were brought in solemn procession to Whitefriar Street Church where they were received by Archbishop Murray of Dublin. With the death of Fr Spratt, interest in the relics died away and they went into storage. During a major renovation in the church in the 1950s/60s they were returned to prominence with an altar and shrine being constructed to house them and enable them to be venerated. The statue was carved by Irene Broe and depicts the saint in the red vestments of a martyr and holding a crocus in his hand. Hand-painted replicas of this statue are available in our Church Shop. Today, the Shrine is visited throughout the year by couples who come to pray to Valentine and to ask him to watch over them in their lives together.



Saint Valentine, true servant who shed his blood in defence of the sacraments and faith in Jesus Christ, intercede for us today, we pray. Gain for us the strength to be steadfast like you in witnessing to the true faith to the end of our days, and help us never to lose hope in the Lord who is always near us.

(Taken from Whitefriar Street Church website)