



Clondalkin Village Parish

Immaculate Conception & St. Killian Church

Clonburris  **Knockmitten**

Parish Newsletter

Sunday 6th March 2022

1st Sunday
of
Lent

"NO PEACE WITHOUT JUSTICE NO JUSTICE WITHOUT FORGIVENESS"

The three most deadly of the deadly sins are pride, anger and envy. They all arrive out of the deadliest of them all - pride - and all three of them were on display with regard to the Pharisees. They were the ones most hostile to Jesus and caused endless difficulties. So, how do we respond when we encounter difficult hostile people in our day to day lives? We are called to love our neighbour to the point of even loving our enemies. But that doesn't mean we are doormats.

It was Mahatma Ghandi, the father of modern India, who took the principles of the Sermon on the Mount and used them in a very practical way to win political independence for India. But perhaps we Irish had done that in our struggles here; we had Daniel O'Connell the Liberator and C.S. Parnell, the uncrowned King of Ireland, who used peaceful means to win us our personal, religious and national freedom. Hatred, anger, envy and pride lead to a vicious circle of more of the same – there is another way centered on love, justice and forgiveness. St. Paul told the early Christians to fight evil by doing good and we have many examples from our own history of people doing that. In more recent times we had the late John Hume, the great Derry politician whose watchword was that if we love our country, our culture and our society, let us first spill sweat instead of blood in our dealings with our enemies who hate the things we love.

We conclude with a quote from St. John Paul II, a man who was well used to standing up to Communist Pharisees and he said *"No peace without Justice, no justice without Forgiveness"*. Jesus showed love and forgiveness to his enemies on Good Friday. We pray we will do likewise!

Fr. Padraig

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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Loving God, we pray for the people of Ukraine, for all those suffering or afraid, that you will be close to them and protect them. We pray for world leaders, for compassion, strength and wisdom to guide their choices. We pray for the world that in this moment of crisis, we may reach out in solidarity to our brothers and sisters in need. May we walk in your ways so that peace and justice become a reality for the people of Ukraine and for all the world.
Amen.

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Masses during Lent (Monday-Friday)

will be at 7.30am, 10.00am and 7.30pm
in the Village 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.



FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

Monday 7th March	St. Perpetua and St. Felicity, Martyrs
Tuesday 8th March	St. John of God, Religious
Wednesday 9th March	St. Senan, Bishop
Friday 11th March	St. Frances of Rome, Religious
	St. Aengus, Bishop & Abbot

Saints Perpetua and Felicity (3rd cent.)

Perpetua and Felicity were Christian martyrs of the 3rd century. Vibia Perpetua was a married noblewoman, said to have been 22 years old at the time of her death, and mother of an infant she was nursing. Felicity, a slave imprisoned with her and pregnant at the time, was martyred with her. They were put to death along with others at Carthage in the Roman province of Africa, during the reign of Septimius Severus. Although the execution was intended as entertainment for the jeering crowd, some spectators, inspired by the martyrs' fearlessness, became converts to Christianity.

They died in 203 AD in Carthage (present day Tunisia). A magnificent basilica was erected over their tomb, the *Basilica Majorum*; that the tomb was indeed in this basilica has been proved by Père Delattre, who in 1907 discovered there an ancient inscription bearing the names of the martyrs.

(Taken from Catholic Ireland Archive of the Saints).

Village Church



Sunday 6th March

6.30pm Vigil	Robert & Joan Crookes (An)
9.00am	Jo Keane (1st An)
10.30am	Anne & John Connolly (An)
	Patricia Gray (B'day Rem)
	Donal Farrelly (MM)
	Margaret & Joseph Sheerin (An)
12noon	Colm Murphy (1st An)
	Kathleen Dillon (4th An)
	Bob Dillon & Robbie Dillon
	Eileen & Michael O'Connor (An)
	Niamh Buckley (2nd An)
	Oliver, Donal & Olive Grace (An)
	Rufina Uloaku Ikentuge

Monday 7th March

10.00am	Anna Macari (MM)
7.30pm	Brandon Foley (B'day Rem)

Tuesday 8th March

10.00am	Eileen Holohan (56th An)
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Wednesday 9th March

10.00am	Special Intention, also Katie & Michael Gleeson (Rem), William, Ann & Thomas Jenkins, Katie O'Connor (Rem) and deceased members of the Gleeson & Jenkins families.
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Thursday 10th March

7.30am	Daniel & Bridget Callihane (An)
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Friday 11th March

7.30am	Special Intention
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Sunday 13th March

10.30am	Paddy Murray (B'day Rem)
	James Doyle (1st An)
	Carmel Maguire (5th an)
12noon	Desmond Hartigan (8th An) and deceased family members
	Mary Corrigan (2nd An) and William Corrigan (Junior)

Recently Deceased



Sr. Maura Casey (Presentation Sister)
Patrick (Patsy) Power

May They Rest in Peace

Prayer for the Synod

We stand before You, Holy Spirit,
as we gather together in Your name.

With You alone to guide us,
make Yourself at home in our hearts:
Teach us the way we must go
and how we are to pursue it.

We are weak and sinful;
do not let us promote disorder.
Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path
nor partiality influence our actions.

Let us find in You our unity
so that we may journey together to eternal life
and not stray from the way of truth
and what is right.

All this we ask of You,
who are at work in every place and time,
in the communion of the Father and the Son,
forever and ever.
Amen.



In his greeting to the Polish faithful at the General Audience in the Vatican, the Pope thanks the people of Poland for their generosity towards people fleeing the war in Ukraine and asks all men and women of goodwill to be close to the population that is suffering the bombings and violence.

"You were the first to support Ukraine, opening your borders, your hearts and the doors of your homes to Ukrainians fleeing the war," said Pope Francis in his greeting to the Polish pilgrims present for the General Audience in the Paul VI Hall. He expressed deep gratitude and bestowed his blessings to the people of Poland noting they are "generously offering [the refugees] everything they need to live in dignity, despite the drama of the moment." The Pope also turned to the Friar present during the Audience to do the reading in Polish: "This Franciscan Friar who is speaking now, in Polish, but he is Ukrainian!" he said, adding that "His parents are right now in shelters underground, defending themselves from the bombs, in a place near Kyiv. And he continues to do his duty here, with us." By accompanying him, the Pope continued, "we accompany all the people who are suffering from the bombings, his elderly parents and many elderly people who are in the underground to defend themselves. We carry in our hearts the memory of these people."

(Taken from Vatican News Today website 2/3/2022)

A thought for this Sunday for our Polish Parishioners



Thanks Chris

It is not that hard in today's world to feel overwhelmed by the news we hear on TV or radio. We are tempted by the thoughts that God no longer controls what is happening around us, that evil wins and we are powerless. This is not true. We are not powerless because we have a Father in Heaven who hears our prayers. As we read in today's gospel, God's word has the strength to overcome any temptation and even the devil himself. God will be with you in your distress, as the psalmist says. And as He led the chosen people out of Egypt, He will lead us out of a place where darkness and fear reign. Let's just trust in His mercy and providence.

Nie jest wcale tak trudno w dzisiejszym świecie poczuć się przytłoczonym wiadomościami, które słyszymy w telewizji lub radiu. Jesteśmy kuszeni myślami, że Pan Bóg już nie kontroluje tego co się dzieje wokół nas, że zło zwycięża, a my jesteśmy bezsilni. Nie jest to prawdą. Nie jesteśmy bezsilni, bo mamy Ojca w Niebie, który wysłuchuje naszych modlitw. Jak czytamy w dzisiejszej ewangelii, słowo Boże ma siłę, by pokonać każdą pokusę a nawet samego diabła. Bóg będzie z tobą w twoim nieszczęściu, jak mówi psalmista. A jak wyprowadził naród wybrany z Egiptu, tak wyprowadzi nas z miejsca w którym panuje ciemność i strach. Po prostu zaufajmy Jego miłosierdziu i opatrności.

Alpha for Everyone

"Alpha is a way which leads people to Jesus, the real Jesus, the living Jesus." Fr Raniero Cantalamessa, Preacher to the Papal Household, has said.

Bayside Alpha invites you to take part in a 12-week Zoom course exploring the basics of Christian faith in a friendly, open and welcoming environment where you can share with other people.

The course is for an hour each week and starts on Wednesday the 9th of March at 7.30pm. To find out more or register your interest email Paul Daly alphabayside@gmail.com

Deep peace of the Running Wave to you.
Deep peace of the Flowing Air to you.
Deep peace of the Quiet Earth to you.
Deep peace of the Shining Stars to you.
Deep peace of the Son of Peace to you.

(Celtic Benediction)



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

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. 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 <http://www.aware.ie/>

If you would like to volunteer with Aware, please see their website for more information: <https://www.aware.ie/get-involved/volunteering/>

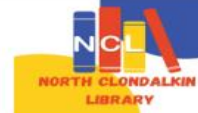
Pray, then let it go.

Don't try and manipulate or force the outcome.

Just trust God to open the right doors at the right time.



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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

COVID-19 SUPPORT LINE FOR OLDER PEOPLE

ALONE manage a national support line 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

MARCH

The Pope's Intention: For a Christian response to bioethical challenges

We pray for Christians facing new bioethical challenges; may they continue to defend the dignity of all human life with prayer and action.



What does it mean to "Fast"?

To fast is to do without food. Its purpose is to experience the effects of not eating. It also serves to be a penance or a sacrifice - for the purpose of strengthening us. When we don't eat, for even a little while, we get hungry. When we get hungry, we have a heightened sense of awareness. If, when we eat too much, we have a sluggish feeling, when we fast, we have a feeling of alertness. Fasting is a wonderful exercise whenever we want to sincerely ask for an important grace from God. It is not that our fasting "earns" God's attention, but by fasting, we clarify our thinking and our feeling. It is



purifying and prepares us to pray more deeply.

Fasting is not just something we give up in order to receive praise, nor is it meant to provide us with the opportunity to complain. Fasting is a physical act and commitment we make with the hope of becoming a better person. Fasting should help us realize that "One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God." (Matthew 4:1-4). It is not the material things in life that bring true happiness and comfort, but in living, growing, hoping, loving, and giving thanks to God that our hearts are nourished. Fasting reminds us that we are not ruled by the things we want; it also reminds us that we are blessed to have even the basic necessities of life that many do not have, such as food, water, and shelter.

On this balmy afternoon, soaking up this relaxing, invigorating gentle wind while we walk down Convent Road, what a gift, what a gift indeed.

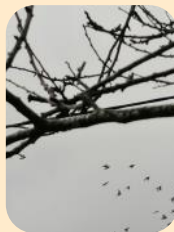
Oh!! Look at the wacky nice pink bike, flowered up. Enjoy Nature's giving nature in the present as enduring tonic.

Sitting on the low stone wall on Monastery Road, nursing a hefty coffee and cherry bun with butter What simple joy!! Daffodils dancing left and right.

Oh!! The scent and the colour palate. Shrubs presenting in flower and scent to all who willingly present to them.

Buds unfurling in pristine leaf, our green grass trumpeting the imminent cracking open of St. Patrick's Day ... sheer joy. So, sync up to our unfolding, hugging Spring on the hoof or on your trusty rusty banger, pink, yellow, orange, green, blue or red. All these colours unfold each and every morning to us, a free gift. Imagine it and share it.

Eddie.



Enhanced visitor experience launched at Clondalkin's Round Tower Visitor Centre

South Dublin County Council, along with Fáilte Ireland, is delighted to announce the launch of the visitor interpretation enhancements recently completed at the Round Tower Visitor Centre, Brú Chrónáin, Clondalkin. The project, which was co-funded by the Council and the National Tourism Development Agency through its Surprising Stories scheme, places a strong focus on telling new stories about monastic life and the Round Towers of Ireland using a range of media including a free downloadable multi-lingual audio guide, interactive touchscreens, and printed interpretative panels.

The free audio guide takes visitors on a tour through time exploring 1,000 years of history broken down into 8 distinct exhibit rooms as well as bringing the monastic garden to life. The guide is available in 5 languages – English, Irish, French, German and Spanish. There is also a children's version available in both English and Irish along with three interactive touchscreen points with games and quizzes making the visit a much more immersive experience for all ages. The project provided an excellent opportunity to animate the monastic garden using bedding panels to provide visitors with information on what was typically grown, and why it was important to monastic life. Dotted throughout the garden are signs to prompt visitors to take the perfect #towerselfie and share their own Round Tower story. Further value has been added to the visitor experience with the addition of a heated outdoor area which has been developed to offer a multipurpose space for visitors.

Mayor of South Dublin County, Cllr Peter Kavanagh said: "We are grateful for the support of Fáilte Ireland's Surprising Stories funding as it has helped us to bring an improved offering to Clondalkin's Round Tower Visitor Centre - Brú Chrónáin for both domestic and international visitors. We have been able to add local voices and stories to the exhibit, increase our language offerings, and create more interactions with our visitors."