



Clondalkin Village Parish

Immaculate Conception & St. Killian

Clonburris  **Knockmitten**

Sunday 1st May 2022

Parish Newsletter

**3rd Sunday
of
Easter**

CHURCH OF THE APOSTLES

Down through the centuries there has often been much hankering after the church that we read of in "Acts of the Apostles". The infant church was and indeed still is seen by some as being almost perfect – simple, down to earth, loving God and loving neighbour in the way Jesus meant it to be. Then it got contaminated with complexity, hierarchy, dogmas, doctrines, power structures, ceremony, etc. Many have tried to recapture this golden age of the church by establishing their own church modelled on what they read in the Acts of the Apostles. But the outcome has always been further fragmentation as it is based on a misreading of what the Scripture actually tells us about the early church.

What is very clear is that it had its origins in weakness and not strength, in frailty and not perfection. The Acts of the Apostles is about the Apostles and in the Gospels we often find that they were an exasperating lot. But perhaps that is a large part of what makes them believable and human. At the beginning of Jesus' public ministry it was easier for them to believe in him as the long awaited Messiah. He was enormously popular as he drew people to him with his teaching, his powers of healing and even his power over nature. But as time goes on and Jesus gradually revealed who he was and warns them that he faced crucifixion and death, the cracks began to appear.

The Apostles squabble among themselves about who is the greatest, they have doubts and fears. They began to wonder who this man really is now that his popularity is tainted by the increasing hostility of the Pharisees. Maybe this Jesus is just a little bit too dangerous to be associated with. What is all this talk about suffering and death and then three days later living again? When their doubts begin to overwhelm them he gives them a shot in the arm to help them as in the Transfiguration and the raising of Lazarus. It all gives a picture of the Apostles as a very mixed bunch – a true reflection of the human condition and a true reflection of the early church we read about in the Acts of the Apostles. They were sinners who became saints. Their mission to teach the whole world about Jesus grew out of weakness, not strength, came to fulfilment out of frailty not perfection. St Paul tells us that God's Grace is sufficient in our weakness for when we are weak then we are strong. What that means for us 2000 years later is that the more inadequate we feel in living the Christian life, the more God fills us up and makes up for our weaknesses as he did with the Apostles.

The Spirit comes to us in our weakness and we pray for His presence among us as we bring the good news of Jesus in what we say, what we do and most significantly in the example we set.

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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THE BUILDING HOPE PRAYER

Pilgrim God, we give you thanks and praise.

You constantly journey with us
even in our darkness and doubts.

We seek your way of loving kindness
to walk together as one family.

Open our eyes to recognize you

In the faces of one another,

In the breaking of bread

and in the splendour of creation.

May the risen Christ sow seeds of hope
and new life deep within us.

May our hearts and minds be filled with your Word,
bringing forth truth, justice and peace.

May the Holy Spirit working in
and through us do much more
than we can dare to imagine

as we live out our baptismal calling
in humble and loving service.

We make this our prayer through Christ Our Lord.
Amen

Mary, Mother of the Church, pray for us.

St. Laurence O'Toole, pray for us.

St. Kevin, pray for us.

St. Brigid, pray for us.



We keep in our prayers the children and young people in our parish schools who will receive the Sacraments of First Holy Communion and Confirmation over the coming weeks.

Confirmations - Wednesday 4th May
St. Joseph's BNS

First Holy Communions - Saturday 7th May
Scoil Mhuire and Gaelscoil na Camóige

Elizabeth Kindelmann, a Hungarian Mystic, received a locution from Mary, our Blessed Mother, who asked her to insert an extra phrase into the 'Hail Mary' as follows:

The amended Hail Mary

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with Thee.
Blessed art Thou amongst women and blessed is the fruit of Thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners. Spread the effect of grace, by Thy flame of love, over all humanity, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

For further information, online, access
www.theflameoflove.us or www.theflameoflove.org

Village Church



Sunday 1st May

6.30pm Vigil
9am

Joe Farrell (9th An)

Paddy, Theresa Green (Rem)

Bridie Lynsey (Rem)

10.30am

Ann McCabe

Joseph Johnston (An)

12noon

Paddy & Breda Callaghan (An)
and Baby Hunter

Monday 2nd May

10.00am Jane Kendellen (An)

Tuesday 3rd May

10.00am Romy (An)

Friday 6th May - First Friday of the Month

7.30am) Masses offered for those on the

10.00am) Altar List of the Dead

Saturday 7th May

10.00am Lilian, Christopher & Brendan Behan (An)

Sunday 8th May

6.30pm Vigil

Michael O'Donoghue (1st An)

10.30am

Carol Nolan (9th An)

12noon

John Talbot (4th An)

George Reilly (An)



Recently Deceased

ALFRED O'BORNE
VINCENT HANNON

May They Rest in Peace

Eddie Stones is promoting this prayer (*given to Elizabeth Kindelmann*) and advises us to pray it every day to bind Satan and protect our families.

The Unity Prayer (*must be said with the heart*)

My Adorable Jesus,

May our feet journey together.

May our hands join in unity.

May our hearts beat in unison.

May our souls be in harmony.

May our thoughts be as one.

May our ears listen to the silence together.

May our gaze profoundly penetrate each other.

May our lips pray together to gain mercy from the
Eternal Father.

Amen

Feast Days This Week

Monday 2nd May	St. Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Tuesday 3rd May	Ss Philip and James, Apostles
Wednesday 4th May	St. Conleth, Bishop (Kildare)
Thursday 5th May	Bl. Edmund Ignatius Rice, Religious

St. Conleth (450-519) Feast Day 4th May

We do not know where Conleth was born or who his parents were, but we do know from Cogitosus's *Life of Brigid* (c. 650) that he was a skilled metal-worker in gold and silver who lived as a hermit at Old Connell on the Liffey near Newbridge. He had the reputation of being a very holy man with the gift of prophecy. He is also said to have been the sculptor of the crozier of St Finbar of Termonbarry, Co Roscommon.

The tradition is that Brigid invited him not only to make sacred vessels for her foundation but also to be pastor of the people nearby. Cogitosus says that they governed the church at Kildare "by means of a mutually happy alliance". And so Conleth is regarded as the first bishop of Kildare appointed 490. After about twenty years as bishop, Conleth set out on a pilgrimage to Rome. Because he was now an old man Saint Brigid feared for him going on this journey. Somewhere on the journey in Ireland Conleth was attacked and killed by wolves, which at that time lived in the woods and mountains of Leinster. A gloss in an Irish martyrology saying he was devoured by wolves on his journey to Rome undertaken against the wishes of Brigid may be an attempt to explain his name, i.e. *coin* 'wolves' and *leth* 'half'.

Saint Conleth died on the 3rd May 519 AD. The tradition in Kildare holds that he was buried on the left side of the altar in the Church of Ireland cathedral in Kildare town and Saint Brigid on the right. The tradition in Newbridge holds that he was buried in the Old Connell graveyard. An alternative version is that his relics were transferred there in 835 to protect the inhabitants from Danish invaders. He is the patron saint of the parish of Droichead Nua (Newbridge), Co Kildare.

A water garden dedicated to St Conleth designed as a contemplative space and constructed by Martin O'Neill, "Crookedwood", is situated on the left hand side of the parish church in Newbridge. It contains a bronze statue of St Conleth by Annette McCormack carrying on his shoulders a child holding up a St Brigid's cross.

(Taken from CatholicIreland.net - Archive of the Saints)

A thought for this Sunday for our Polish Parishioners

Thanks Chris



Do you ever struggle with everyday tasks that seem to be of little significance? Are you questioning your life's mission God gave you? Have you ever pretended you don't know Jesus? Do not worry! God is giving you hope for a better future! He will come to where your daily life is happening and will reveal in your heart a real desire to love God. Then, Jesus will allow you to experience His merciful love so that you can become an unstoppable witness of the Risen Christ in this world. This is great news! Be like Peter.

Czy zdarza Ci się zmagać z codziennymi obowiązkami, które w zasadzie wydają się mało istotne? Czy kwestionujesz swoją życiową misję, którą otrzymałeś od Boga? Czy kiedykolwiek zdarzyło Ci się udawać, że nie znasz Pana Jezusa? Nie martw się! Bóg daje ci dzisiaj nadzieję na lepsze jutro! Przyjdzie On do miejsca, w którym wydarza się twoje codzienne życie, i odkryje w twoim sercu prawdziwe pragnienie kochania Boga. Wtedy Jezus pozwoli ci doświadczyć swojej miłosiernej miłości, abyś mógł stać się niepowstrzymanym świadkiem Zmartwychwstałego Chrystusa na tym świecie. To jest wspaniała wiadomość! Bądź jak Piotr.

WOMEN OF FAITH CONFERENCE

Live on Radio Maria Ireland
Saturday, May 7th from 2pm



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PRAYER FOR PEACE IN UKRAINE

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.

Our Lady, Queen of Peace, pray for us! Our Lady of Kyiv, pray for us!



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

In Memory of the late Packie McGarty

I was delighted to have attended the Memorial Mass for Packie McGarty in Mohill on Saturday last on the first anniversary of his passing in 2021 when Covid restrictions were in place restricting funeral attendance.

Packie was recognized as one of the greatest GAA players of all time. He opened a grocery shop on St Brigid's Road in the early sixties, and he will be fondly remembered by his many customers in Clondalkin. He joined Round Tower GAA Club in 1964, and he gave over 15 years of great service to the Club. Packie was an inspirational leader on the field to his teammates and to younger Towers Club players. R.I.P. Packie

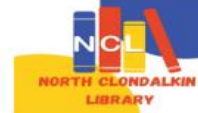


I presented this photo to the McGarty family members in Mohill, Co. Leitrim on Saturday 23rd April 2022

Tommy Keogh



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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



O God, we thank you for the life of Blessed Edmund Rice. He opened his heart to Christ present in those oppressed by poverty and injustice. May we follow his example of faith and generosity. Grant us the courage and compassion of Blessed Edmund as we seek to live lives of love and service.
We ask this through Christ Our Lord.
Amen



Waiting to burst out in bloom any day on Friday 22nd April, the Mayflower is bountiful. On Monday 25th, of all the thousands of buds, one has opened. This act will be followed by many more daily singing visually "Good Morning" to us all. Why on earth would we not sing out "Good Morning" to all we meet. On these days leading to the 1st of May, Summer announcing itself in bloom and song. Maya Angelou, at President Clinton's inauguration, delivered a spectacular poem and finished it with "*If you can't say anything else just say (Good Morning)*". In this precious Eastertime, maybe read Maya Angelou's "On the Pulse of Morning" and then just say it - *Good Morning*. The joy of it all.

Eddie



WORLD PRESS FREEDOM DAY - 3rd May 2022

This year's World Press Freedom Day theme "Journalism under digital siege," spotlights the multiple ways in which journalism is endangered by surveillance and digitally-mediated attacks on journalists, and the consequences of all this on public trust in digital communications. World Press Freedom Day was proclaimed by the UN General Assembly in December 1993, following the recommendation of UNESCO's General Conference. Since then, 3rd May, the anniversary of the Declaration of Windhoek is celebrated worldwide as World Press Freedom Day.

After 30 years, the historic connection made between the freedom to seek, impart and receive information and the public good remains as relevant as it was at the time of its signing. Special commemorations of the 30th anniversary are planned to take place during World Press Freedom Day International Conference.

May 3rd acts as a reminder to governments of the need to respect their commitment to press freedom. It is also a day of reflection among media professionals about issues of press freedom and professional ethics. It is an opportunity to:

- celebrate the fundamental principles of press freedom;
- assess the state of press freedom throughout the world;
- defend the media from attacks on their independence and pay tribute to journalists who have lost their lives in the line of duty.

The conference will reunite relevant policymakers, journalists, media representatives, activists, policy makers in Internet companies, cybersecurity managers, AI researchers and legal experts from around the world to explore the digital era's impact on freedom of expression and the safety of journalists, media viability and public trust.

Envelopes for Easter Offerings or Dues are available on the tables in the Church. Thanks to all those who have sent in contributions to date.

SOUTH DUBLIN LIBRARIES MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

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Our flexible spaces allow people to meet, have discussions, or just read the newspapers. There is something for everyone and our highly trained staff