



# Clondalkin Village Parish

*Immaculate Conception & St. Killian*

**Clonburris**  **Knockmitten**

Parish Newsletter

**Sunday 29th May 2022**



## ST BARNABAS - SETTLING DISPUTES

St. Barnabas was one of the important figures in the early church as he was a close collaborator of St. Paul. He was probably in Jerusalem in the immediate aftermath of Pentecost and was one of the first converts to Christianity as Peter and the apostles began their missionary activity. Barnabas was instrumental in founding a thriving church in Antioch and it was here that the new members of Christ's church were first referred to as Christians. He met St. Paul after his conversion and it was Barnabas who introduced him to the apostles in Jerusalem. Because of Paul's history of being a persecutor of Christians he had difficulty in being accepted by some members of the church. It was Barnabas who reassured those who were skeptical of Paul's motives and ultimately he was accepted as a key member of the new church.

As Paul began his great mission to the Gentiles it was Barnabas who was his closest collaborator. Both were similar in personality – energetic and strong willed. But these characteristics were to be a cause of disagreement between them while in Cyprus.

Eventually there was reconciliation but the details of how this happened were never recorded. This illustrates that even among Christians who are dedicated to bringing the good news of the Gospel to others, disputes can arise as to how best to do it. Disputes, conflicts and disagreements are part of the human condition and it is inevitable that we will be involved in at least one in our lifetime. It may be at parish, at diocesan or even at the level of the Vatican. This is not always a bad thing – indeed those who are experts in management techniques would say a certain level of conflict is a healthy sign of a thriving organisation. It forms the basis for a lot of creativity and energises the people working there. Of course when it's allowed to get out of control and certain individuals go to extremes, it can be very destructive. In managing conflict those who are experts recommend it is essential that some mechanism of settling disputes be put in place with a senior person having the final say. Disputes are unlikely to get out of hand when those in positions of leadership encourage an atmosphere of give and take, of a willingness to see other people's point of view and a willingness to accept constructive criticism. It was how disputes were settled in the early church and as long as the conflicting parties showed a measure of goodwill, the outcome was usually favourable.

This showing of goodwill towards people we are in dispute with is part and parcel of Jesus' commandment to love our neighbour as ourselves. Sometimes, as in the case of Paul and Barnabas, it can be difficult to do this. But if we pray and avail of the sacraments and humbly acknowledge that ultimately God is in charge then good will come out of it. We pray that St. Barnabas will inspire us to be instruments of Christ's peace and bring reconciliation to those who are experiencing a painful conflict.

*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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**Contact through Village**

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Congratulations to all  
our young people who  
received the  
sacraments of First Holy  
Communion and Confirmation  
during this month  
of May



### 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.



*Recently Deceased*

**PATRICK HURRELL**

*May He Rest in Peace*

## Village Church



### Sunday 29th May

**6.30pm Vigil** James & Kathleen Gallagher (An)  
Gretta Gallagher (Rem)  
Kathleen Nolan (Rem)  
Paddy Kelly (Rem)

**9.00am** Theresa & Paddy Greene (46th Wedding An)  
Thomas Quinn (An)

**10.30am** Mary McConalogue  
Pauline & Gerry McCabe (An)  
Patrick, Nance & Eilis Nolan (An)

**12noon** Margaret Gray (3rd An) &  
Gerry Courtney (5th An)

### Monday 30th May

**7.30am** Mary Kinane (An)

**10.00am** Joseph Dunne (An)

### Friday 3rd June

*First Friday of the Month*

Masses offered for those on the Altar List of the Dead

### Saturday 4th June

**10.00am** Eamonn O'Brien

### Sunday 5th June - Ascension of the Lord

**6.30pm Vigil** Bernadette Slevin (2nd An)  
Joseph Smyth (An)

**10.30am** John & Mary O'Neill and  
Carmel O'Neill (An)  
Martina Mooney & Sean Mooney (An)

Roy Steed & Parents, Kathleen and Leslie (An)

**12noon** Joan Fagan (1st An)  
Eilis O'Donoghue (1st An)

### Feast Days This Week

Tuesday 31st May

**Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

Wednesday 1st June

**St. Justin, Martyr**

Thursday 2nd June

**St. Marcellius & St. Peter, Martyrs**

Friday 3rd June

**St. Kevin, Abbot (Glendalough)**

Saturday 4th June

**St. Charles Lwanga & Companions Martyrs**

## DUBLIN DIOCESAN APPOINTMENTS (Effective from weekend of 9th/10th July)

**Fr. Padraig O'Sullivan** has been appointed as Co-PP in Kilmore West.

**Christina Malone**, Parish Pastoral Worker, has been appointed to the Springfield/Brookfield/Jobstown grouping of parishes in Tallaght.

**Fr. Brian McKittrick** has been appointed Co-PP in Clondalkin.

**Saule Cameron** has been appointed as Parish Pastoral Worker to the Clondalkin grouping of parishes.

**Derek Leonard**, Permanent Deacon, has been appointed to the Clondalkin grouping of parishes.

## A PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

O God, our Father, you have called us in Baptism to follow your Son Jesus through lives of loving service to you and to one another. Grant us your assistance guided by the Holy Spirit to live out our vocation in life. We pray especially for those who have answered your call as priests, brothers, sisters, deacons and lay ministers. Keep them faithful in following your Son and dedicated in serving their brothers and sisters. Grant that many more men and women will be open to the challenge of dedicating their lives in the ministry of building your Kingdom.

We ask this through Christ, Our Lord. Amen

**Lectio Divina, under the guidance of Sr. Anne, takes place each Tuesday in the Pastoral Centre after 10 o'clock Mass**



## WORLD COMMUNICATIONS DAY Sunday 29th May 2022

### *"Listening with the ear of the heart"*

World Communications Day will be celebrated on Sunday 29 May – the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord. Pope Francis has chosen to reflect on the theme of 'Listening with the ear of the heart'. This year's message is an invitation to reflect on how listening involves more than simply the sense of hearing. True listening is a foundation of genuine relationships, and is foundational to the relationship between God and humanity. In his message Pope Francis notes that many people 'are quickly losing the ability to listen to one another, while at the same time listening is undergoing new developments, especially due to new forms of communicating.' The Holy Father highlights the importance of listening in the context of the Synodal Process, which the Church is currently engaged in at a local and universal level. In his message Pope Francis says,

*'The most important task in pastoral activity is the 'apostolate of the ear' – to listen before speaking, as the Apostle James exhorts, 'Let every man be quick to hear, slow to speak' (1:19). Freely giving some of our own time to listen to people is the first act of charity.'*

*'A synodal process has just been launched. Let us pray that it will be a great opportunity to listen to one another. Communion, in fact, is not the result of strategies and programmes, but is built in mutual listening between brothers and sisters.'*

*'With the awareness that we participate in a communion that precedes and includes us, we can rediscover a symphonic Church, in which each person is able to sing with his or her own voice, welcoming the voices of others as a gift to manifest the harmony of the whole that the Holy Spirit composes.'*

## Prayer of Saint Francis de Sales

Be at Peace

Do not look forward in fear to the changes of life; rather look to them with full hope as they arise.

God, whose very own you are, will deliver you from out of them.

He has kept you hitherto, and He will lead you safely through all things; and when you cannot stand it, God will bury you in his arms.

Do not fear what may happen tomorrow; the same everlasting Father who cares for you today

will take care of you then and everyday.

He will either shield you from suffering, or will give you unfailing strength to bear it.

Be at peace,

and put aside all anxious thoughts and imagination.

St. Francis de Sales (1567-1622)

*Patron of Journalists, Writers, Editors and the Catholic Press.*

Reflect upon your present blessings, of which every man has plenty, not on your past misfortunes, of which all men have some.

*Charles Dickens*



*Congratulations to*

**MARILYN MOONEY and COLM McKENNA**

*on their recent marriage*

## 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 10-12.30.
- **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](mailto: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*

## JUNE

### The Pope's Intention: *For families*

We pray for Christian families around the world; may they embody and experience unconditional love and advance in holiness in their daily lives.

## ECUMENICAL BIBLE WEEK

Now in its ninth year, Ecumenical Bible Week, led by the Archdiocese of Dublin and the United Dioceses of Dublin and Glendalough in collaboration with many other Christian traditions, will run this year from Pentecost to Trinity Sunday, **5-12 June**. The overall theme for this year is 'A New Pentecost: Moving to the Edges'. As in previous years, EBW will have opening and closing prayer events. There will be a Theological Symposium on the afternoon of Thursday 9 June where the theme will be 'Listen to the Word'. That evening in Thinking Allowed a panel of Faith leaders will each give their 'Personal Vision of a New Pentecost'. A new event being introduced this year will focus on the experiences of the 'new' Irish.

Check out the Ecumenical Bible Week's Website at [www.bibleweek.ie](http://www.bibleweek.ie) for further information and to register for the events which will be online. You can also follow and share Ecumenical Bible Week's online posts on Facebook and Instagram.

## COVID-19 SUPPORT LINE FOR OLDER PEOPLE

**ALONE**

Supporting older people to age at home

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**

## MATT TALBOT PILGRIMAGE

Do you or somebody you know suffer from an addiction? Yes? Join us at the Shrine of Matt Talbot in Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Sean McDermot Street, Dublin, on **Sunday 12th June** at 2:00pm-4:30pm, where we will pray for freedom from addiction through Jesus. This will be a day when Ireland unites in prayer to rid our country from the plague of addiction. For more information, visit [www.matttalbotprayersociety.com](http://www.matttalbotprayersociety.com) or contact [vita@matttalbotprayersociety.com](mailto:vita@matttalbotprayersociety.com) or (048) 71262894



## FIVE FINGER PRAYER

### The Thumb

The closest finger to you reminds you to pray for those who are closest to us, like our family and friends.

### The Index Finger

The pointing finger reminds you to pray for wisdom and support for those who teach us and show us the way.

### The Middle Finger

The tallest finger reminds you to pray for guidance for our leaders and those in positions of authority.

### The Ring Finger

Our weakest finger reminds you to pray for the weakest in society, like those who are sick, poor or are having problems.

### The Little Finger

The smallest finger reminds you to pray for yourself. When you have prayed for the other four groups, you will be able to see your own needs but from the proper perspective.

## EVENING OF INSPIRATIONAL MUSIC WITH DANIEL O'DONNELL

There will be an evening of inspirational music with Daniel O'Donnell at St Mary's Pro-Cathedral on **Monday June 6**, at 3pm. Linda Martin will be the MC and special guest, along with Sean Gilligan of the Halleluia Gospel Choir.

**Proceeds to the Peter McVerry Trust and  
Dogs Aid Animal Sanctuary.**

Tickets, available now, from [www.eventbrite.ie](http://www.eventbrite.ie)

Standing at the front gate of Trinity College with Oliver Goldsmith and Edmund Burke statues, in the company of whizzing buses, trams, taxis and fellow walkers, who could not but admire and appreciate the beautiful wild flowers in the grass around the statues.

Purple, yellow, white, blue, red and green are magically "blowing in the wind" in College Green where you would never know who you would meet on a sunny May morning.

Oh! That Brendan Kennelly were still with us to see the good in the wildness.

### "The Good" (*Excerpt*) (*Brendan Kennelly 1936--2021*)

"The Good are vulnerable  
As any bird in flight,  
They do not think of safety,  
Are blind to possible extinction  
And when most vulnerable  
Are most themselves.  
The good incline to praise  
To have the knack of seeing that  
The best is not destroyed  
Although forever threatened".



## A thought for this Sunday for our Polish Parishioners *Thanks Chris*



Everyone can see how the world today is divided. Disagreements between states, disagreements in our families are ubiquitous. Even the disciples of Jesus are divided. Before his death, the Lord Jesus prayed for his disciples and future generations that they would be one in Him. Our inspirational homilies will not help people to believe in Jesus if our churches continue to be divided. In the first reading, we see Stephen forgiving those who stone him and being fully united with God. Only such an attitude will give us peace in our hearts and make us not afraid of anything, even death.

Wszyscy mogą zobaczyć jak dzisiejszy świat jest podzielony. Niezgody między państwami, niezgody w naszych rodzinach są wszechobecne. Nawet uczniowie Pana Jezusa są podzieleni. Przed śmiercią Pan Jezus modlił się za swoich uczniów i przyszłe pokolenia, aby stanowili jedno w Nim. Nasze inspirujące homilie nie pomogą ludziom uwierzyć w Jezusa, jeśli my wciąż będziemy podzieleni. W pierwszym czytaniu widzimy Szczepana, który przebacza tym, którzy go kamieniają i jest w pełni zjednoczony z Bogiem. Tylko taka postawa da nam pokój w sercu i sprawi, że już niczego nie będziemy się bali, nawet śmierci.

### St Kevin of Glendalough – Feast Day 3<sup>rd</sup> June

His father was named Caomhlugh and his mother Caoimheall or Coemella. According to legend, when the boy was being brought to the priest Cronan for baptism, a person appeared and breathed on the child, blessing him and calling him Coemgen. Cronan believed this was an angel and said, "So shall he always be called Coemgenus ('beautiful born') for he will be most beautiful". His parents brought him to the monastery of Kilnamanagh in Tallaght near Dublin and here he underwent instruction and spiritual formation by three holy men, Eoghan, perhaps of Ardstraw, Lóchán and Éanna of Kilnamanagh. But at an early age he wandered off into the Wicklow Mountains and spent time in solitude at first at Hollywood near Blessington and finally in Glendalough. His three teachers came and took him back to the monastery where he continued his studies. Kevin was ordained priest by Bishop Lugidius and founded a monastery at Cluainduaich, though the location of this is unknown. He soon was back again at Glendalough in search of solitude and the ascetical life. He first settled near the upper lake, and lived in a narrow cave in a rock above the lake still to be seen today and called 'St Kevin's Bed'. A community of monks gathered round him, so he set up and ran a monastic settlement in the lower valley. After his death this became a monastic city. As an abbot who founded a monastic city, Kevin chose to remain as a priest rather than become a bishop. He spent most of his life at Glendalough. Before his death Kevin decided to remain permanently at his hermitage, asking his monks not to visit, bring food or disturb him in any way. The wild animals kept him company.