



Parish Newsletter

Clondalkin Village Parish

Immaculate Conception & St. Killian

Clonburris  **Knockmitten**

Sunday 12th June 2022



From Building Hope to Synod and back to Building Hope....

Last summer the Dublin Diocese asked for your input about planning and shaping the future of the Church in the Archdiocese of Dublin. More than three thousand people responded to the *Building Hope* questionnaire. The report was published in September last year.

Fast forward a few months; the *Synod on Synodality* took place all over the world including parishes in Ireland. Again, you were asked to share your hopes, sorrows and joys about your experience of Church.

The parish of Clondalkin submitted those experiences to the Dublin Diocese Synod Committee and they published their report last week. About three quarters of all the parishes in the Archdiocese engaged with those listening sessions among them were so-called focus groups (prison chaplains, prisoners, teenagers, members of the LGBTQ+ community and many others).

However, any report is only as good as the actions that follow.

What do I mean by that?

The Diocesan Synod report is sent to Maynooth where the Irish Bishops will write a national response to Rome. Later this year a Synod will take place in Rome to discuss, to reflect and hopefully to respond to those reports. You could say: We have done our bit; it is over to the Holy Spirit now.

The *Building Hope* report however is different.

It is the road map for the Church in the Archdiocese of Dublin to move forward. As we all know, the Church like we knew it, is long gone. The *Building Hope* report was rather bleak when it comes to priests in the Archdiocese:

"Of the 312 priests who currently hold parish appointments in the Archdiocese, 139 are over 70 years of age. 116 of the 312 are on loan to the Archdiocese. We currently have just two students in formation for priesthood for the Archdiocese."

It doesn't come as a surprise and it is nothing new that words like Co-Responsibility, active participating together as baptised People of God are being used to describe the way to move forward.

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Masses

Clondalkin Village

Sundays: (Vigil) Sat 6.30pm, Sunday 9am (As Gaelige) 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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Best wishes to all those continuing Junior and Leaving Certificate exams this week.

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.

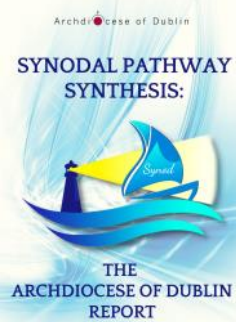
Amen

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.



Archbishop Dermot Farrell has published the Diocesan Report on the Synodal gatherings held in parishes throughout the Dublin Diocese before Easter.

The published report is available on the Dublin Diocesan website at: <https://dublindiocese.ie/wp-content/uploads/2022/06/Dublin-Diocesan-Synod-Report.pdf>

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A covering letter from the Archbishop is available at: <https://dublindiocese.ie/synodal-pathway-report-and-letter-from-archbishop-farrell/>

Always let your prayer take the form of thanksgiving on the assumption that God is giving you great and wonderful things, for if you think He is, He surely is.

Norman Vincent Peale

Village Church

Sunday 12th June - Feast of The Most Holy Trinity



6.30pm Vigil

May & Jimmy O'Brien (An)

William Corrigan (An), Lillie Caffrey (An)

Eamonn Farrell (An), Dick Seery (MM)

Philip, Margaret & Tom O'Brien (An),

Nora, Tom, Noel, Tommy, Bill & Vera, Mary & Norah Worth (An),

Noreen Lee (An), Christy & Sally Beahan (An)

10.30am Michael Rackley (An)

12noon Kevin Lappin (B'day Rem & An)

Henry Clarke, Alice Clarke,

Imelda McGoldrick & Marie McEvoy (An)

Sean & Nora Horan (An)

Rita Lappin & Rita (Junior) (Rem)

Donal (B'day Rem) & Marie Cleary (Rem)

Patrick O'Brien (10th An) & Gertie O'Brien (Rem)

Monday 13th June

10.00am Patrick Cahill (B'day Rem)

Tuesday 14th June

7.30am Tracy Pollard (2nd An)

10.00am Joe Coughlan & Mary Coughlan (An) and Kathleen Henry (Rem)

Thursday 16th June

10.00am Tom Kinane (An)

Friday 17th June

10.00am David O'Sullivan (An)

Sunday 19th June

6.30pm Vigil Pat O'Connell (Fathers Day Rem)

10.30am John (16th An) & Nancy Mangan (11th An) Paddy Murray (An), Patrick Maguire (An)

12noon Margaret O'Connor (An)

Tony Jordan (An)

Gráinne, Christopher & Christina McDonnell (An)

CLONDALKIN PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK Saturday 27th August



All in price €45 per person to include bus, refreshments on the way down and 3 course meal on return journey.

Bus departing from the Church at 8am and arriving home 9.30pm - 10pm.

To book a seat, leave your name, phone number and money in an envelope in the Sacristy for the attention of Kathleen Ryder

Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes

7th to 12th September

Parishioners are invited to become Associate Members of the pilgrimage by signing their names on the sheet in the Parish Shop and making a donation to support the costs incurred in bringing sick pilgrims to Lourdes.

The intentions of Associate Members will be remembered at Masses in Lourdes during the pilgrimage.



A thought for this Sunday for our Polish Parishioners

Thanks Chris



How can one God be present in three persons? Are we able to grasp the mystery of the Holy Trinity with our simple human mind? God gives us his Holy Spirit to lead us to the fullness of the truth. That he would reveal to us the secrets of the Kingdom and faith. Let us not be afraid to ask Him! His answers won't always be expressed through human words because sometimes it is impossible. Sometimes He will speak to us in the language of our hearts - through love! And let Him do it! This will allow us to understand at least some part of the mysteries of our faith.

W jaki sposób jeden Bóg może być obecny w trzech osobach? Czy jesteśmy w stanie pojąć tajemnicę Trójcy Przenajświętszej naszym prostym ludzkim umysłem? Bóg daje nam swojego Ducha Świętego, aby prowadził nas do pełni prawdy. By odkrywał przed nami tajemnice Królestwa i wiary. Nie lękajmy się Go pytać! Nie zawsze Jego odpowiedzi będą wyrażone ludzkimi słowami bo czasami jest to niemożliwe. Czasami będzie mówił do nas językiem naszych serc - miłością! I pozwólmy Mu na to! To pozwoli nam choć trochę pojąć tajemnice naszej wiary.



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

The island is open again for the traditional 3 day pilgrimage season which runs from 1st June until 15th August.

More information is available on their website, www.loughderg.org

Pre-booking is advisable this year either online or by phone to 071-9861518.



Recently Deceased



JOSIE DALY

May She Rest in Peace

Feast Days This Week

Monday 13th June	St. Anthony of Padua, Priest and Doctor of the Church
Tuesday 14th June	St. Davnet, Virgin
Saturday 18th June	The Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday



Prayer to St. Anthony of Padua

St. Anthony, faithful servant of Christ, you offered comfort and consolation to all who came to you in times of trouble. Pray for me now, that I may know true peace of mind, heart and soul. Help me grow in faith, so that I may be free from all useless and needless anxiety in this life. Fill me with a complete and lasting confidence in God's healing graces. Grant me the serenity known by those who let go of resentments, bitterness and anger. Reassure me that Our Divine Saviour, Jesus Christ, is with me every step of the way, every day of my life, and that in His gracious love I need not worry or fear any of life's difficulties. Amen.

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 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

Be not afraid of growing slowly; be afraid only of standing still.

Chinese proverb

Do not let tomorrow use up too much of today.

Cherokee Indian proverb

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 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



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

or contact

vita@matttalbotprayersociety.com or (048) 71262894



Newcastle (Ballynakelly)

Cemetery Mass

Sunday 19th June 2022

@ 2.00pm

followed by Blessing of the Graves

Prayer for Ecumenical Bible Week 2022

Lord, may we be attuned to your Spirit at work in our lives, our community, our world.

Spirit of Love - fill the whole earth with your light, your consolation, and your love.

Spirit of light - dispel all darkness.

Spirit of Truth - make us true & faithful in all our relationships.

Spirit of Communion - be the guide & source of unity in our lives.

Spirit of Courage - give us unfailing strength to witness to your Word.

Spirit of Power - shape our World with love, peace, justice & hope.

Spirit of Joy - enkindle passion within us that your love may radiate through the witness we give.

Spirit of Pentecost - give us courage to walk with those in our communities who feel on the edges.

We ask this in Jesus' name, Amen

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We all share responsibility about building a vibrant and active community and with that, I am back to you (again):

Can you take a few minutes and help the Parish Pastoral Council by answering these four questions

- Q. 1: What are we doing well as a parish?**
Q. 2: What could we develop?
Q. 3: What will our parish look like in 5 or 10 years' time?
Q. 4: With which 3 or 4 or 5 parishes would it make good sense for your parish to be in local parish partnership?

Here are 10 interesting facts about the parish of Clondalkin (this includes Knockmitten/Clonburris):

1. We have a population of about 15,000 people (2016)
2. 10,500 identify as Catholic (2016)
3. In 2019 about 1300 people were "Mass-goers"
4. In 2019 about 280 children celebrated their Confirmation
5. In 2019 we celebrated 188 Baptisms and 97 Funerals
7. Mass attendance is down over 15% since 2014
8. Between 2017 and 2021 our income has dropped by over 50%
9. We have many young families, young people and children in the parish
10. Your Parish needs your help - your time, your talent, your ideas, your participation and most of all, your presence.

As you know from experience, Priests, Deacons and Parish Pastoral Workers come and go; what stays is you! Please have your say – write your answers to those four questions and email them to christina.malone@dublindiocese.ie and/or fill out the forms available at the back of the Church and return those before the before the **19th of June** by dropping them into the box below the Sacred Heart Statue in Clondalkin Village.

Christina Malone, Parish Pastoral Worker

Look at the canopy of growth of flowers (both wild and nursery) around the pine tree opposite the Sacristy door in The Village Church. Nectar and shelter for our vital insects. These little guys first appeared 400 million years ago and survived the dinosaur wipe out. For 150 million years, only insects had the power of flight.

Here's the jawdropper: "*Overall the weight of ants alone on our planet is roughly similar to the total weight of humans*" (Silent Earth-- David Coulter).

Eddie

