

# **Corpus Christi**

This Sunday's feast of Corpus Christi, also known as The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, is a long-standing feast in the Church calendar. It was introduced by Pope Urban IV in 1264. Its principal purpose is to acknowledge the real presence of Jesus in the Eucharist.

The Eucharist is the gift of Jesus to his disciples, instituted at the Last Supper, that Jesus ate with the apostles on the evening before his crucifixion. Jesus asked the apostles to continue this practice when he invited them to "Do this in memory of me".

From the earliest days of the first Christian communities, the disciples used to meet regularly for the 'breaking of bread'. Over time the format of the meeting became more regularised and ritualised and developed into the Mass as we know it today. Sunday, the day of the Lord's resurrection, became the day each week when Christians gathered as a faith community to worship the God who has saved them in Jesus.

Other devotional practices also came from this recognition of Jesus being really present to us in the Eucharist. Tabernacles, for example, became a feature of Church buildings. Their primary purpose initially was to reserve the Blessed Sacrament to facilitate bringing Holy Communion to the sick and those unable to attend Mass. They soon became a focus for prayer outside of Mass as people came to the Church to pray in the presence of Jesus. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction developed as more intense moments of solemn prayer in the presence of Jesus. The traditional highlight of the feast of Corpus Christi was the public procession of the Blessed Sacrament through the streets and roads of the parish community.

Sunday 11am Parish Office Hours Clondalkin:

Monday-Friday : 9.30-12.30 Please contact through Phone & Email

Clonburris & Knockmitten: Contact through Village

Submissions for Newsletter: Parishnewsletter1@gmail.com

Today on this feast of Corpus Christi we are invited to reflect on the wonderful gift that is Jesus truly present to us in the Eucharist. When we come to receive Holy Communion, the minister distributing the sacred host says to us "The Body of Christ". Our response of "Amen" is our acknowledgment of Jesus really present before us. The reverence and respect with which we receive Holy Communion speaks of our recognition that we are truly entering into communion with Jesus Christ at that moment.

Jesus comes to us in Holy Communion as the 'Bread of Life' to feed and nourish us for Christian living. Having received Jesus in Holy Communion, the challenge for all of us is to bring that presence of Jesus within us to bear on how we live our daily lives and how we interact with all those we encounter on life's journey.

Fr. Kieran Coghlan

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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 Mon, Wed, Fri at 10am

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.

# Farewell gathering for Fr. Padraíg O'Sullívan and Christina Malone

As recently announced by Archbishop Dermot Farrell, Fr. Padraig who has been a priest in our parish since 2012, and Christina who has been a pastoral worker in our parish since 2015, have both been assigned to new appointments. In recognition of their contribution to our parish, there will be a Mass of Thanksgiving in the Church on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> June at 7.30pm followed afterwards by a social gathering in the GAA Clubhouse on Convent Road. All parishioners are welcome to attend to express their appreciation to Fr. Padraig and Christina for all that they have done in our parish over the years.

# Víllage Church



	Sunday 19th June				
6.30pm Vigil		I Pat O'Connell (Fathers Day Rem)			
		Rob & Joan Crooks (An)			
	9.00am	Paddy Green (5th An)			
	10.30am P	addy Murray (An)			
	P	Patrick Maguire (6th An)			
	J	ohn (16th An) & Nancy Mangan (11th An			
		en & Patrick Plunkett (An)			
	H	Harry Molloy (30th An)			
		Margaret O'Connor (An)			
		Tony Jordan (An)			
		Christopher & Christina McDonnell (An)			
	Tuesday 21st June				
	10.00am	Fr. Bill Riley (An)			
	Sunday 26th June				
-		I Pat McDaid (20th An)			
10.30am		Mary McConalogue			
	12noon	Úna Sweeney (3rd An)			
		Sadie O'Sullivan (4th An)			
	<b>*</b>	Recently Deceased			
PADDY TAYLOR					
	\$	ANGELA FLANAGAN			
		May They Rest in Peace			



## SUMMER OFFERINGS

The Archbishop has again this year invited parishioners to make a contribution to the support of their priests over the Summer months. Due to not having public Mass during the Covid pandemic and the inability to take up collections normally done at Mass, the fund to support priests, both those in active ministry and also sick and retired priests, has become substantially depleted.

Envelopes for Summer Offerings are available on the tables in the Church.

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.

> 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.

## Feast Days This Week

Monday 20th June Tuesday 21st June Wednesday 22nd June

Thursday 23rd June

Saturday 25th June

Friday 24th June

**The Blessed Irish Martyrs** St. Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious St. John Fisher, Bishop and St. Thomas More, Martyrs St. Paulinus of Nola, Bishop The Nativity of St. John the Baptist The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus The Immaculate Heart of the **Blessed Virgin Mary** 

Never let a bad situation bring out the worst in you. Choose to stay positive and be the strong person that God created you to be.

May God's blessings rest upon you today. May His peace be with you and His joy fill your heart.



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



Man usually looks for solutions to problems in two ways. Either he organises everything himself and works hard to put his ideas into practice, or he just does nothing and waits for a miracle from heaven. However, both are not perfect because they do not help us build a relationship with God. In today's Gospel, we see that it is God's desire to cooperate with us in every work. We bring some bread and fish, the Lord Jesus multiplies them and thanks to this we can share with others. Let us not be afraid to cooperate with God!

Człowiek zazwyczaj szuka rozwiązań problemów na dwa sposoby. Albo wszystko organizuje sam i cieżko pracuje nad wprowadzeniem swoich pomysłów w życie albo po prostu nic nie robi i czeka na cud z nieba. Oba sposoby nie są jednak doskonałe, ponieważ nie pomagają nam budować relacji z Bogiem. W dzisiejszej ewangelii widzimy, że Bożym pragnieniem jest współpraca z nami w każdym dziele. My przynosimy trochę chleba i ryby, Pan Bóg je pomnaża i dzięki temu możemy dzielić się z innymi. Nie bójmy się współpracować z Panem Bogiem!



**Recently Married** 

# Karen Mc Guirk and Peter Ellis

Congratulations!

#### **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 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-foodbank

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



**KNOW YOUR FAITH** Come to PATHWAYS: EXPLORING FAITH AND MINISTRY

# An Adult Faith Development Programme

Application is now open for the next intake of participants for *Pathways*. The programme, run by the Dublin Archdiocese, begins this year on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup>. September 2022 (7.00p.m.– 9.30 p.m.) in DCU St. Patrick's Campus, Upper Drumconda Rd, Dublin, 9.

#### Places are limited so early application is advisable

Pathways is a two-year, one evening a week course, for adults of all ages who wish to explore their faith. It runs from late September to May each year, with breaks for Christmas, Easter and mid-terms. There are no exams and no written work. The only requirement is an openness to listening to others and to participate. The cost is €400 per year which may be paid in instalments throughout the year.

For more information please visit our webpage: www.missionministry.ie or contact: Pathways Director, Eileen Houlahan, CHF, PhD. Phone: 01 8087594 Email: pathways@dublindiocese.ie

## **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



Wishing all Dads a Happy Father's Day!



Newcastle (Ballynakelly) **Cemetery Mass** Sunday 19th June 2022 @ <u>2.00pm</u> followed by Blessing of the Graves

THE BLESSED IRISH MARTYRS Feast Day - 20th June

Henry VIII's rejection of the Pope's authority in 1534 led to the setting up of a State Church in England and in Ireland. In 1560 the Act of Supremacy made Queen Elizabeth the supreme head of the Church in England and Ireland. So it became a treasonable offence to refuse to acknowledge the English monarch as head of the Church and many Catholics were put to death for their faith in both countries. Forty English martyrs were canonised in 1970 and Oliver Plunkett was canonised in 1975. In 1992 a representative seventeen Irish martyrs, chosen from a list of almost three hundred who died for their faith in the 16th and 17th centuries, were beatified by Pope John Paul II. The amount of information we know about these seventeen varies. About some, such as Archbishop Dermot O'Hurley of Cashel, we know quite a lot; about others, such as the Wexford sailors, we know little more than their names and the fact of their death.

#### A PRAYER FOR FATHER'S DAY



The 10th World Meeting of Families will take place in Rome from 22 – 26 June. Pope Francis is urging Catholics around the globe to take part in the 10th edition of the event. In a

video message the Pope said a new format is being planned for the WMOF event, which will have its focus on Rome but be held throughout the world. "After being postponed for a year due to the pandemic, the desire to meet again is great," said the Holy Father. He pointed out that past meetings were small events, which were perceived by many families as "something remote, at most followed on television, and unknown to the majority of families."

Responding to this situation, Pope Francis said the WMOF2022 will take on a special format. After more than a year of remote working and learning, along with increased awareness of online tools, the meeting will be updated to allow more people to participate, despite physical distance. "It will be an opportunity provided by Providence to create a worldwide event that can involve all the families that would like to feel part of the ecclesial community," said the Pope. "Rome will be the main venue," said Pope Francis, "and there will be a number of delegates of family pastoral care participating in the Festival of Families, the Pastoral Congress, and the Holy Mass." He added that these events will be broadcast

throughout the globe. For more on the World Meeting of Families 2022

see <u>www.romefamily2022.com/en/</u>

Heavenly Father, you entrusted your Son Jesus, the child of Mary, to the care of Joseph, an earthly father. Bless all fathers as they care for their families. Give them strength and wisdom, tenderness and patience; support them in the work they have to do, protecting those who look to them, as we look to you for love and salvation, through Jesus Christ our rock and defender. Amen.

## Men's Health Week Vísít

The Clondalkin Mens Shed Community group had a visit during the week from staff members of the **HSE Slaintecare Healthy Communities Group** who gave a very informative talk and advice with a discussion on improving Men's Health. A *"Man Manual"* booklet and several HSE online Wellbeing Resources leaflets were also distributed at the meeting.

#### Text and photos by Tommy Keogh





This way, that way, up, down - I'm awestruck. Buzzing around are 20 bumblebees on one nectar rich plant, on my way to Newland's Garden Centre. It's 3.30 pm on Sunday. And then it happened, a first for me. A bumblebee with two yellow nectar sacks on its back legs and getting a focused picture of it--magic. Of the 20, he was the only one with the nectar sacks. The plant is "Lamb's Ear". The

bumblebees ignored all the other flowers nearby. So, find your "Lamb's Ear Plant" and be closely attentive. The Robin flits around Newland's Outdoor Cafe area--looking for tasters.

Up the Summer!

Eddie









