



Clondalkin Village Parish

Immaculate Conception & St. Killian

Clonburris  **Knockmitten**

Parish Newsletter

Sunday 5th June 2022



PENTECOST Past and Future

Before the time of Moses there seems to have been no observance of Holy Days or Festivals in the Jewish Calendar. Under his leadership the people began observing the Sabbath as a day for worshipping God. Every year there were three great annual feasts: Passover, Pentecost and the Feast of Tabernacles. These were known as "pilgrim feasts". All adult males were required to travel and take part. They were times of joyful celebration. In Jesus' time these three festivals brought crowds to Jerusalem and heightened tension in the city. Pilate and his soldiers paid careful attention at these events fearing an uprising. Passover, the celebration of release from bondage in Egypt, was the first and most important of the festivals in the month of Nissan, our March–April, and lasted seven days. Jesus celebrated his last Passover in Jerusalem with his disciples days before his death and resurrection.

Pentecost, a Greek word meaning fifty, was celebrated fifty days or seven full weeks after Passover. It marked the end of the harvest and also commemorated the giving of the Law to Moses. This one-day festival was observed by the pilgrims as a Sabbath to thank God for the harvest.

According to the book of Acts, Jesus' followers gathered in Jerusalem for the festival. It was the first pilgrim feast after Jesus' death. The Holy Spirit descended upon them in tongues of fire. They began to speak in languages understood by the multiethnic and multilingual gathering of Jewish pilgrims, *"each in our own language...we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power"*.

Since that first Christian Pentecost the Holy Spirit has played a huge role in the life of the Church, touching the hearts of different people and giving new growth and possibilities for service. Without the work of the Holy Spirit the Church could not continue its mission.

"Without the Holy Spirit, our Christian life unravels, lacking love, Jesus remains a person from the past. With the Spirit, Jesus is alive in our time, Scripture is not a dead letter but alive and active. The Spirit gives energy and enkindles the fire of love in us." Pope Francis. The Catholic Church in Ireland may not be as strong today as it used to be but there is still a huge commitment to value and support the work of the Church. There is a longing for a Church based on the synodality Pope Francis calls for, a listening and a journeying together with respect, acceptance and transparency and the guidance of the Spirit leading to a new Pentecost.

The first and last lines of Gerard Manley's poem, **God's Grandeur**, captures this beautifully:
"The world is charged with the grandeur of God Because the Holy Spirit over the bent world broods with warm breast and ah! bright wings".

Sr. Anne

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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Best wishes to all those beginning the Junior and Leaving Certificate exams on Wednesday 8th June

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.

Village Church



Sunday 5th June - Pentecost Sunday

6.30pm Vigil Bernadette Slevin (2nd An)
Joseph Smyth (An)
Annie Kenny (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)
Gerard Courage (Rem)

Monday 6th June

10.00am Paul Condron (An)

Wednesday 8th June

10.00am Eamonn Farrell (An)

Friday 10th June

10.00am Mary Delgado (6th An)

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)

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 (BR) and Marie Cleary (Rem)

PENTECOST SUNDAY

Day of Prayer in Thanksgiving
for the Diocesan Phase
of the
Universal Synod

@catholicbishops

*Every day, think as you wake up, today I am
fortunate to be alive; I have a precious
human life, I am not going to waste it.*

The Dalai Lama

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**

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

May the Lord help us to understand the link between prayer and hope. Prayer leads you forward in hope and, when things become dark, more prayer is needed! And there will be more hope.

Pope Francis

MONDAY CLUB 30th May 2022

Hello everybody, we are back!



Great to see some of the regulars back and a few new faces too. Welcome to Dolores and Gerard who have joined us.

We had a great sing-song on this morning with John Coughlan who had us all singing along with old favourites plus a few new songs also.

Sr. Anne also gave us a lovely song "Two Eyes of Blue".

Fr. Kieran joined us for a cuppa. It is wonderful that he does as it gives us an opportunity to get to know him.

We will be back again on **Monday 13th June** with some other activity.

Thank you, John, for all your help - much appreciated.

Until then, take care and God bless.

Kathleen R.

A thought for this Sunday for our Polish Parishioners

Thanks Chris

At times, we may feel surrounded by fear. We can see it around us and hear about it from people. Our hearts are afraid. We are afraid for our future and for our families, but we are also afraid in our relationships with people. We don't know how to communicate. We don't know how to tell the truth with love. We hurt people with our words or we run away from conversations and hurt them with our silence. Do not be afraid anymore! We were moved by the Spirit of the Lord, and therefore we are daughters and sons of God. May the Holy Spirit fill you and give you the gift of speech, so that you can speak the truth with courage and love!

Czasami możemy się czuć otoczeni przez strach. Widzimy go wokół nas i słyszymy o nim od ludzi. Nasze serca się lękają. Boimy się o swoją przyszłość i o nasze rodziny, ale boimy się także w samych relacjach z ludźmi. Nie wiemy, jak się komunikować. Nie wiemy, jak z miłością mówić innym prawdę. Ranimy naszymi słowami albo uciekamy od rozmów i ranimy naszym milczeniem. Nie lękaj się już więcej! Zostaliśmy poruszeni Duchem Pana i dlatego jesteśmy córkami i synami Boga. Niech Duch Święty napełni ciebie i obdarzy cię darem mowy, abyś mógł odważnie i z miłością mówić prawdę!

Feast Days This Week

Monday 6th June

**The Blessed Virgin Mary,
Mother of the Church**

Tuesday 7th June

St. Colman of Dromore, Bishop

Thursday 9th June

St. Columba, Abbot

Friday 10th June

**St. Ephrem, Deacon & Doctor
of the Church**

Saturday 11th June

St. Barnabas, Apostle

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

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 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

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

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

Entering Corky Park on 30th May, at the bridge on Font-hill Road, walking up along the Camac, Here they are in all their delicacy, our very own Wild Dog Roses. Is that their leaf, so nondistinctive. Look up high as their umbrella briars get pruned early on--a pity. Oh!! so translucent and delicate in colour and form, transcending us in their pure expression--mesmerising

Us in their pendulum, clock like, back and forth motion, sympathetic to delicate Summer breezes. Protecting us in their very delicacy, popping out like mushrooms in balmy August grass, as joyous in our childlike discovery on their green canvasses.

Now, a bit of Wendell Berry (1934--)

The Wild Rose
Sometimes hidden from me,
In daily custom and in ritual,
I live by you unaware,
As if by the beating of my heart..

Suddenly you flare again in my Sight,
A Wild Rose at the edge of the Thicket
Where yesterday there was only Shade,

And I am blessed and choose again
That which I choose before. *Eddie*



Shrine of Our Lady of Clonfert formally recognised as a Diocesan Marian Shrine

On Tuesday 31 May, Bishop Michael Duignan, Bishop of Clonfert and Bishop of Galway, Kilmacduagh and Kilfenora, travelled to the Shrine of Our Lady of Clonfert to bless the newly renovated church and to consecrate its new altar. In

recognition of the importance of the Shrine as a pilgrimage centre for so many, he also formally approved Canonical Statutes for the Shrine and signed a Decree to raise the Shrine of Our Lady of Clonfert to the status of a recognised Diocesan Marian Shrine. In the same act, Father Declan McInerney, Parish Priest of Eyrecourt, Clonfert and Meelick, was appointed the Shrine's first Rector and the **31st of May** was declared a special day of prayer and devotion to Our Lady of Clonfert from this day forward.



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.

ST COLUMBA (COLUMCILLE) – FEAST DAY 9TH JUNE

Columba, the greatest and earliest of our missionaries, is one of the Patron Saints of Ireland. He was born at Gartan, Co Donegal, on 7 December 521 to parents, Fidlimid and Eithne, who were both of royal descent. He became a pupil of St Finnian of Clonard, and later studied for the priesthood under St Mobhi of Glasnevin. It was from there that he returned north in 546 to found a monastery in Derry. In 563, Columba and twelve companions sailed from Derry via Moville to the island of Iona to establish a new monastery there. This became a base for the conversion of the heathen part of Scotland, peopled by the Picts. By the time the saint died in his 77th year, on Sunday 9 June 597, his work of preaching Christ to the Picts was well in hand. The monastery at Iona had become the supreme Christian centre in Scotland. Columba's disciples, too, were to play an important part in the evangelizing of Britain through foundations in Lindisfarne, Northumbria, on the east coast, and at Whitby.