



Parish Newsletter

Clondalkin Village Parish

Immaculate Conception of the BVM & St. Killian

Clonburris  **Knockmitten**

Sunday 14th August 2022

**20th Sunday
of
Ordinary
Time**

The Gospel this Sunday is a challenging piece of Scripture. We can clearly see the passion of Jesus shining through it and also his desire to complete the task of redemption which he came on earth to accomplish. But in a strange sounding few lines we have Jesus saying that he came to bring division into people's lives, to bring division between people and within families. It certainly does not seem to be the Jesus that we are more familiar with, where love, compassion and gentleness are often the virtues that are to the fore.

If we look at this Gospel passage somewhat differently perhaps we can make some sense of it. It may be that Jesus is describing more the reality that exists when people start believing in him and living his way of life. When we live an authentic Christian way of life, we can, at times, find ourselves at odds with other people. They will have opinions and beliefs that will differ from ours and they may live in a way that is not in keeping with our Christian values and ideals. In such cases there will often be division in terms of how people approach and deal with the many situations and circumstances that confront us in daily life.

We know too that practice of the Christian faith, and indeed the lack of it, can be a source of division in families. I sometimes hear parents lamenting how their children are living life today, saying that this is not what they brought them up to live. I hear children too commenting on parents who they view as being too rigid in their approach and not open to looking at life in new ways. There's a balance to be struck here, surely, between being tolerant and accepting of everything and anything, and standing up for what you believe in and saying what you believe to be true.

There's no doubt that being a disciple of Jesus is a demanding commitment. Jesus often reminded his listeners that they had to take up their cross daily if they wished to follow him. At times this will place us in opposition to others, including family members, friends, work colleagues or acquaintances who may see things differently to us. This is the price we pay for being a follower of Jesus. It may bring some pain and discomfort to us in particular situations.

At the end of the day, being true to God and to ourselves is the most important thing we can do. When we deal honestly with the division and opposition that we can encounter from living as a Christian, we are ultimately looking to our future happiness which lies in the salvation given to us in Jesus and in the promise of eternal life with him one day in heaven.

Fr. Kieran Coghlan

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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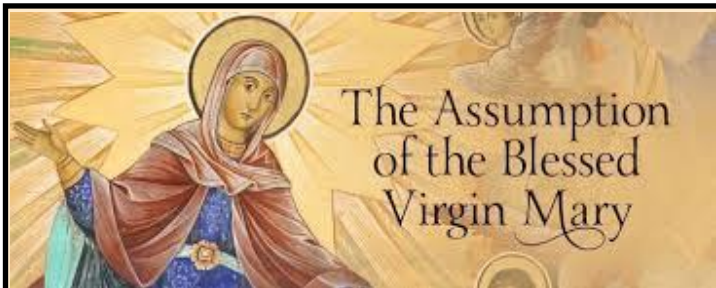
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The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Monday 15th August 2022

Mass Times

Village Church - 7.30am and 10am
Knockmitten - 11am
Clonburris - 11am and 6.30pm

Parish Office

After being closed due to annual leave
the Parish Office re-opens on Monday 15th August.

The Parish Office is open
Monday to Friday from 9.30am to 12.30pm.

You can contact the Parish Office on 01-4593520
or by email at office@clondalkinparish.com

*Have patience with all things, but chiefly
have patience with yourself. Do not lose
courage in considering your own
imperfections but instantly set about
remedying them — every day begin the task
anew.*

*Our entire good consists not only in
accepting the truth of God's word, but in
persevering in it.*

St. Francis de Sales

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.**

Village Church



Sunday 14th August

6.30pm Vigil Mary Stack Bracken (2nd An)
10.30am Thomas and Mary Forde (An)
12 noon Paul Guidon (9th An)

Monday 15th August

7.30am Special Intention

Tuesday 16th August

7.30am Holy Souls
10.00am Tony and Bridie Kinane (An)

Thursday 18th August

10.00am Kathleen Grace (29th An)

Sunday 21st August

6.30pm Vigil Elizabeth Whelan (An)
9am Noel and Elizabeth Lombard (An)
10.30am Peter McCabe (An)
12 noon Vincent Lernihian (32nd An)



RECENTLY DECEASED

**Liam McCarney, Susan Evans,
Breda Long, Michael O'Brien**

May they Rest in Peace

Feast Days This Week

Monday 15th August	Assumption of the BVM
Tuesday 16th August	St. Stephen of Hungary
Wed 17th August	Our Lady of Knock
Friday 19th August	St. John Eudes, Priest
Saturday 20th August	St. Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church

Lectio Divina with by Sr. Anne
Every Tuesday in the Parish Centre
after 10am Mass.

PRAYER MEETING

Every Wednesday in the Parish Centre
at 7.30pm. Come and see.

All Are Welcome



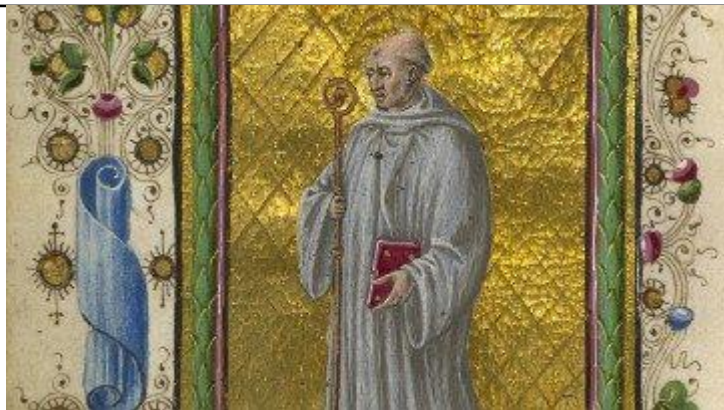
The St. Vincent de Paul Church
Gate Collection will take place
this Saturday and Sunday,
13th and 14th August,
outside the Village Church after all Masses.
Thank you for your support.

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. Bernard (1090 - 1153)

Feast Day 20th August

Bernard was born in 1090 at Fontaine, in France, of a good family. When he was 22, after having studied grammar and rhetoric, he entered the monastery founded by Robert of Molesme at Cîteaux (in Latin, Cistercium -- the order centred around the monastery were thus known as Cistercians). Twelve companions joined him, including four brothers, an uncle, and a cousin. Following his example, many of his relatives undertook to enter religious life.

For Bernard, the monastic life should involve work, contemplation, and prayer; and revolve around two fixed points: Jesus and Mary. For the Cistercian abbot, Christ is all: "When you discuss or speak, nothing has any flavour for me, if I have not heard you resound the Name of Jesus (Sermons on the Song of Songs, XV). And Mary, St Bernard writes, leads us to Jesus: "In dangers, In dangers, in doubts, in difficulties, think of Mary, call upon Mary. Let not her name depart from your lips, never suffer it to leave your heart. And that you may more surely obtain the assistance of her prayer, neglect not to walk in her footsteps. With her for guide, you shall never go astray..." (Homily II on the text Missus est).

Among the writings of St Bernard is also the celebrated elegy of the monastic military order of the Templars, founded in 1119 by a group of knights under the guidance of Hugues de Payens, from Champagne, a relative of Bernard. In his work In Praise of the New Knighthood, he described the Templars in these words: "They are vested simply and covered with dust, their faces burned by the sun, their gaze proud and hard; before the battle they are armed interiorly with the strength of faith. Their only faith is addressed to God."

Bernard of Clairvaux died on 20 August 1153; he was proclaimed a saint by Pope Alexander III in 1174. Pope Pius XII dedicated an encyclical to him, entitled Doctor mellifluus, in which he recalled, in particular, these words of St Bernard: "Jesus is honey on the lips, melody in the ear, joy in the heart." "The mellifluous doctor," the Pope wrote, "The 'Doctor Mellifluus,' 'the last of the Fathers, but certainly not inferior to the earlier ones,' was remarkable for such qualities of nature and of mind, to which God added an abundance of heavenly gifts."

Text taken from www.vaticannews.va

The National Novena to Our Lady of Knock will take place from Sunday 14th – Monday 22nd August 2022.



The Novena offers nine days of reflection and prayer and a chance to reconnect with your faith in the unique and sacred space

of Knock Shrine. This year, our theme is '*A Journey in Hope*'. The purpose of the Novena is to recognise the unique role that Knock, as an International Eucharistic and Marian Shrine, has to play in the life of the Irish Church and to honour Our Lady, the Mother of God. Ceremonies will take place in the Basilica at 3pm and 8pm over the course of the nine days with guest speakers present during each ceremony. We also look forward to the return of the special candlelight procession, a traditional feature of the Novena at Knock, which takes place following the 8pm ceremony (weather permitting). For full schedule of guest speakers see www.knockshrine.ie



Archdiocese of Dublin
Ard Deoise Átha Cliath

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 are available on the tables in the Church.



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@quarryvalefric.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

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Responding to the Opportunities and Challenges of Ageing in Ireland

Seniorline is a confidential listening service for older people provided by trained older volunteers, that is open 365 days a year, from 10am to 10pm.

As well as responding to individual callers, **Seniorline** advocates nationally for older people in Ireland, representing their needs, concerns and wishes to media, the general public, politicians and key stakeholders.

Freephone 1800 80 45 91

COVID-19: Any caller, concerned about COVID-19, will receive the most up to date guidance as recommended by Government sources. This information is updated as the situation changes and is available to each of our volunteers at the phones.

A thought for this Sunday for our Polish Parishioners

Thanks Chris

Jesus says in today's Gospel that He came to earth to bring rather division than peace. These words probably shock many of us, because this is not the image of Jesus we have in our minds. But He came to this world to tell the truth about a loving God, about us and about this world. And this truth can be hard to receive and accept. This does not mean, however, that we are not to proclaim it lovingly to other people. For just as God assured Jeremiah, He also assures us that if we will proclaim His truth, He will protect us from our enemies.

Jezus mówi w dzisiejszej ewangelii, że przyszedł na ziemię by przynieść raczej rozłam, aniżeli pokój. Te słowa zapewne szokują wielu z nas, dlatego że nie taki obraz Pana Jezusa mamy w naszych głowach. Ale on przyszedł właśnie po to na ten świat, aby powiedzieć prawdę o kochającym Bogu, o nas a także o tym świecie, a prawda czasem jest trudna do przyjęcia i zaakceptowania. Nie znaczy to jednak, że nie mamy jej głosić z miłością innym ludziom. Bo tak jak Bóg zapewniał Jeremiasza, tak i nas zapewnia, że jeżeli odważnie będziemy głosić Jego prawdę, On nas ochroni przed naszymi wrogami.

Annual Slí Chrónain Walk

After a break of a few years the walk returns on Sunday 14th August. Meeting at the Civic Plaza at 2.30pm and walking to Guillierstown Bridge, with refreshments afterwards in St John's. No unaccompanied children. Suitable footwork required.



St. Brigid's Well on Boot Road is looking great after its recent clean-up by members of Clondalkin Mens Shed.



Thank you to George Smith (pictured left) and all the Mens Shed volunteers who keep it in such great condition.

Vocation Themed Prayers of Intercession for the Month of August

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time (14th August)

Jesus said to his disciples:

"I have come to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were blazing already."

Lord, we pray for vocations. Enkindle in the hearts of those you are calling to follow you as a priest, deacon or religious, the fire of your love. May they be ablaze with your love for others.



The annual Peter McVerry Trust Wexford Cycle 2022 will take place on Saturday 17th September. The cycle raises vital funds for the housing and homeless charity founded by Fr Peter McVerry. The event is open to all abilities and is a great day out. To find out more visit www.pmvtrust.ie/cycle or call 01 823 0776.



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.

Oh!! Wondering what is hidden in there, I venture into the shady area. Great-a seat-maybe a discerning corner and 100 yrs. Old at least. Mighty. Looking out and up the sunny banks, shadow draped, all around me, focusing on one spectacular tree after another from left of field, hop hop, I stay diceman still



Hop hop closer still- click I get his photo. He is suspecting me out, probably content after a meal in the walled garden nearby.

Autumnally present are those apples, biblically pluckable, enticing but only the squirrels have permission.



And then, superb, I have no sense of the direction to the entrance, another time capsule in wonderland. Our botanical friends of yesteryear, what vision, what collecting and planting-no tele, no phones-just visual wonder and cracking on
 Sitting in the gazebo, wondering at the overengineered structure, did one of Turner's fitters fabricate it.

On the 83 bus, I'm still wondering

Eddie



HERITAGE WEEK 2022

'Walk and Talk along the Camac'

Sunday 21st August - 3pm to 4.15pm

Join Friends of the Camac for an hour's walk and talk along the River Camac in Clondalkin. Led by Pat and Peter Ging, you will learn about the history and heritage of the river in Clondalkin. Find out how the river has shaped Clondalkin over the centuries, creating monasteries and mills, communities and industries. This short walk and talk will take you from the River Camac in the centre of Clondalkin Village near the Round Tower, and bring you along the riverbanks to enjoy the green spaces, the history and the heritage that are the story of Clondalkin and the Camac.

Meet at 3pm outside Clondalkin Civic Centre, Eircode D22E9X5. Wear comfortable clothes and shoes. We hope you enjoy the walk!

For more information on the River Camac, or how you can volunteer with us, see www.fotc.ie or search Facebook 'Friends of the Camac'.

**THE CHURCH
 IS A HOSPITAL
 FOR SINNERS,
 NOT A MUSEUM
 FOR SAINTS.**

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.