

# Clondalkin Village Parish

Immaculate Conception of the BVM & St. Killian

Clonburris | Knockmitten Sunday 18th September 2022 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time

Parish Newsletter

## WHO IS MY MASTER?

Many of the parables spoken by Jesus can take us by surprise initially. This is not an accident. The parables are meant to stop us in our tracks and make us think more deeply about things.

In today's Gospel a steward who is wasteful and dishonest is praised for his astuteness. When the steward realises that the game is up and that his master is about to dismiss him, he shows his resourcefulness. Unwilling to face the consequences of his behaviour, he switches allegiance, no longer serving his master but instead looking after the interests of those in debt to his master. With some creative accounting he writes down the debts owed to his master, hoping in the process to curry favour and win himself some new friends which he will undoubtedly need when he is fired from his job.

No one can be the servant of two masters. We cannot divide our loyalty between conflicting interests. We must choose whom we wish to serve. If we choose to serve God in this life, then we also choose to exclude everything that conflicts with this intention. It is not easy to be faithful to this. The lure of the material things of this world and the instant gratification they give us is very attractive. Temptation abounds and we must be alert to this.

#### 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
Please contact through
Phone & Email

Clonburris & Knockmitten: Contact through Village

Submissions for Newsletter:

Parishnewsletter1@gmail.com

Like the steward in the parable, we will one day be asked to give an account of ourselves. If we have tried our best, and are honest about our failings, then we need have no fear. Jesus frequently reminds us in the Gospels that he came to call sinners. His mercy is unlimited. He will judge us according to the intentions of our hearts which he alone truly knows. If God is the master we have served on earth, then we can be confident, notwithstanding any shortcomings, that we will be welcomed home at the end of our days to share in the everlasting joy of eternal life with God in heaven.

Fr. Kieran Coghlan

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#### **Parish Office**

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

You can contact the Parish Office on (01) 459 3520

or by email at office@clondalkinparish.com



# Sunday 2nd October at 3pm

## in the car park of the Village Church

On this Sunday which is nearest to the feast day of St. Francis of Assisi we give thanks to God for the wonderful gift of creation and we bless the animals that bring so much joy and happiness to our lives.

#### All animals are welcome

(Animals must be accompanied by a responsible person)

#### 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

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 18th September

6.30pm Vigil Kathleen Handley (An)

Patrick Kelly (2nd An) Gretta Gallagher (4th An) Kathleen Nolan (3rd An)

James & Kathleen Gallagher (Rem)

Pat O'Connell (RIP)

Elizabeth (Betty) Clarke (16th An)

Joan Bradshaw (1st An) Donal O'Sullivan (4th An)

10.30am William Neville (9th An)

Margaret Jones (30th An)

May Stynes (1st An)
Patrick Stynes (An)

12noon Niamh McDonnell (An)

Hans Will (An)

Margaret (Peg) Dooley (An)
Ann Seery & Esther Scully (An)
Patricia Gordon (21st An)
Eileen & Gerry Nolan (An)

Michael Fitzgerald & Billy Nolan (An)

Monday 19th September

10.00am Joseph Cleary (An)

Tuesday 20th September

**10.00am** Mary McGrath Darling (An)

Friday 23rd September

10.00am Michael & John Lacey (B'day Rem)

Saturday 24th September

10.00am Dermot Cronin (34th An)

**6.30pm Vigil** John Raftery (Month's Mind)

Breda Long (Month's Mind)

Mike Flynn (1st An) Mark Flynn (12th An)

Desmond Murphy (B'Day Rem)



#### RECENTLY DECEASED

Leo Brennan

May He Rest in Peace

## MASS WITH ANOINTING OF THE SICK

First Friday, 7th October, at 7.30pm in the Village Church

Anyone who is ill or is affected by a physical, mental, emotional or spiritual sickness is very welcome to come along on the night and receive the Sacrament of the Sick which will be administered during the Mass.



## 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 Kyív, pray for us!

#### 30 DAYS OF PRAYER FOR OUR CHILDREN

With schools, universities and colleges starting back soon, help us make September a month of prayer for our young people (our children and grandchildren). Please share this little resource, use it and remember to say at least one short prayer for them each day in September.

You are welcome to take a copy of the Prayer-a-Day Calendar from the table at the back of the Church.



#### **Newlands Cross Cemetery**

Cemetery Mass on Sunday **18<sup>th</sup> September** at 3pm. Rosary at 2.30 pm.

Ministers of the Eucharist are needed and also umbrella holders. Please call or text Kathleen Ryder on 086 4041255 if you are available. Thank you!



Lectio Divina

Every Tuesday in the Parish

Centre after 10am Mass



#### THE SEASON OF CREATION 2022

The designated Season of Creation is a month of prayer for creation. It is a time when we thank God for the beauty of the earth and its creatures that surround us.

THE SEASON OF CREATION began on the 1<sup>st</sup> of September and ends on the 4<sup>th</sup> of October - the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi. It is a month of prayer and also a time of action for the planet - which is our common home.

We are invited 'TO LISTEN TO THE VOICE OF CREATION, TO ECHO THE CRY OF THE EARTH AND TO ANSWER THE CALL OF CREATION TO LEAVE OUR EARTH BETTER THAN WE FIND IT'.

(Information and resources available at www.catholicbishops.ie)

To honour this year's SEASON OF CREATION, Bawnogue parish will have four Meditation on Creation themes. They will take place on Monday evenings during the month of September from 7.30 pm to 8 pm, beginning on Monday, the 5<sup>th</sup> of September.

THE ADORATION GROUP will begin with the Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at 6.45 pm for those Monday evening throughout the month:

**Monday the 19<sup>th</sup> of September** led by Colm Hogan, Trócaire Church Manager;

**Monday the 26<sup>th</sup> of September** led by Saule Cameron, Parish Pastoral Worker for the area of Clondalkin CCPC

"No act of kindness, no matter how small, is ever wasted."

Aesop



## 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-food-

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

**Bayside Alpha** are running a free 7-week Zoom course on growing in Christian prayer, starting on Wednesday the 21st of September at 7.30pm. The course consists of a one hour weekly meeting on Zoom which includes a video presentation, a time for sharing for anyone who wishes to, and short Scriptures to reflect on at home.

The following themes are covered in the course: The purpose of prayer; How to pray with confidence; The pattern for prayer; The Our Father; Praying for a breakthrough; How to pray in a crisis; Why doesn't God always answer when I pray?

If you'd like to take part in the course please email Paul at alphabayside@gmail.com

## PRAYER MEETING

Every Wednesday in the Parish Centre at 7.30pm. All Are Welcome

#### ACKNOWLEDGMENT

The Family of the late Mary (May) Stynes thank you most sincerely for your kind expression of sympathy in their recent bereavement.

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass has been offered for your intentions.

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

Thanks Chris

Imagine a situation where a man from a bank comes in and tells you that your 30-year mortgage has been cancelled. You're no longer in debt. I can imagine your joy at this moment and the feeling that a great burden has been lifted from your shoulders. You might also think that the man who brought you this news deserves some sort of reward. Maybe you will even feel that you owe him something, after all, why are you so lucky to receive this? Jesus died on the cross to pay off your debt. He did not do it so that you would have more money, but so that you could live happily forever. How do you feel about it?

Wyobraź sobie sytuację w której przychodzi człowiek z banku i mówi ci, że twój 30-letni kredyt hipoteczny został anulowany. Nie masz już długu. Mogę sobie wyobrazić twoją radość w tym momencie i to poczucie, że wielki ciężar został zabrany z twoich ramion. Pewnie pomyślisz sobie także, że człowiek, który przyniósł ci tę wiadomość, zasługuje na jakąś nagrodę. Może nawet będziesz czuł, że jesteś mu coś winny, w końcu dlaczego akurat ciebie spotkało takie szczęście? Pan Jezus umarł na krzyżu, aby spłacić twój dług. Nie zrobił tego po to, byś miał więcej pieniędzy, ale byś mógł żyć wiecznie w szczęśliwości. Jak się z tym czujesz?

#### MOYLE PARK COLLEGE

Open day for pupils of 5th and 6th Classes and their parents. Thursday 29th September, 5pm to 8pm

#### **PATHWAYS: EXPLORING FAITH AND MINISTRY**

All places for the Pathways Adult Faith Development Programme 2022-2023, beginning on September 28, have now been filled. A waiting list is in operation in case of any last-minute cancellations.

Contact the Director, Pathways Programme, Eileen Houlahan, CHF, PhD, at 01 8087594 or pathways@dublindiocese.ie.

#### FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

Monday 19th St. Januarius, Bishop and Martyr

Tuesday 20th St. Andrew Tim Tae-gon, Paul Chong

Ho-sang and Companions, Martyrs

St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist Wednesday 21st

Friday 23rd St. Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio)



Weekly Bingo has now resumed in the

Round Tower GAA Club, Convent Road.

## **Every Tuesday at 8pm**

All are very welcome!

Sitting in a Victorian landscape In the Trinity Botanic Gardens in Dartry, I'm totally immersed. It's natural quirky feel is charming no tarmac paths here All weedless chippings. I will be back here in the Springtime to hear the birds. No manicured out of sight lawns, Just little privet hedges and grass

patches and trees. Deadly place to get stuck into a good novel, so peaceful and quiet. And here's the thing, my favourite pub, perched on the Dodder, complete with large Rhino Sculpture in the water, is 10 mins. Walk away, The Dropping Well.

Just try it,





Eddie







#### B.E. - BEGINNING EXPERIENCE

B.E. is a support group for those coping with the pain of loss of their life partner, through Death, Separation or Divorce. Few people are able to cope alone with the pain of loss. Do you find that you need more support than family and friends can provide? Seeking help is a sign of strength and self-knowledge – not weakness. This is a healing ministry, which helps to resolve the grief that goes with the end of a marriage or relationship. Coping effectively with bereavement is a skill we can all learn.

Next Residential weekend will take place from 7th - 9th October in St Mary's Priory Main Street Tallaght.

For further information please contact 086 0877379 or email <a href="mailto:bedublin@gmail.com">bedublin@gmail.com</a>. <a href="https://">https://</a> beginningexperiencegbandi.org/dublin-1, booking form on website



# **Pietrelcina** (Padre Pio)

Feast Day - 23rd September

Born into a poor Italian farm family, from a young age Francesco Forgione desired to be a friar. When he was sixteen, he entered the novitiate of the Capuchin Order, and took the name Brother Pius (Fra Pio). He was ordained to the priesthood in 1910; six years later, joined the convent of Santa Maria delle Grazie in San Giovanni Rotondo. He spent many hours every day hearing Confessions. The height of his apostolic commitment was the celebration of the Holy Mass. He described himself as "a poor brother who prays." "Prayer is the greatest weapon we have," he said. It is "a key to open the heart of God."

In 1948, Padre Pio heard the Confession of a young Polish priest, Father Karol Wojtyła, who thirty years later would ascend the throne of Peter, taking the name John Paul II. It was during John Paul's pontificate that Padre Pio was declared blessed. During the rite of beatification, the Pope said that in the humble friar, we see the image of Christ suffering and risen. "His body," he said, "marked by the 'stigmata,' showed the intimate connection between death and resurrection... Not less sorrowful, and humanly much more scorching, were the trials he had to suffer as a consequence, one could say, of his singular charisms." For Padre Pio, "suffering with Christ" was a gift: "In contemplating the Cross on Jesus' shoulders," he said, "I always feel strengthened and I exult with holy joy... All that Jesus suffered in His Passion, I too have suffered, insofar as it is possible for a human creature."

The life of Padre Pio also shows an intense commitment to alleviate the sufferings of families. In 1956 he inaugurated the "Casa Sollievo della Sofferenza" (the House of Relief from Suffering), a new state of the art hospita. "It is the apple of my eye," the friar said when the hospital opened. "This is the creation that Providence, with your help, has created. Gaze at it in wonder, and with me bless the Lord God. He has place upon the earth a seed that He will warm with the His rays of love."

Padre Pio died during the night of 23 September 1968, at the age of 81. On 16 June 2002, he was proclaimed a saint by Pope John Paul II. In his homily, the Pope said, "The life and mission of Padre Pio prove that difficulties and sorrows, if accepted out of love, are transformed into a privileged way of holiness, which opens onto the horizons of a greater good, known only to the Lord."

Text and image used here is taken from www.vatican.va Saint of the Day 23rd September.