



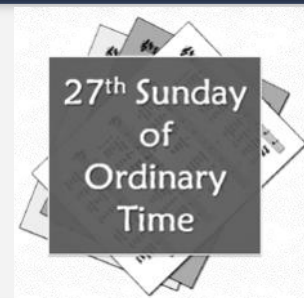
Parish Newsletter

Clondalkin Village Parish

Immaculate Conception of the BVM & St. Killian

Clonburris  **Knockmitten**

Sunday 2nd October 2022



Season of Creation

This year's *Season of Creation* ends on Tuesday next, 4th October, the feast of St. Francis of Assisi. Francis is remembered for his love of all creation and his ability to see God present in the natural world that surrounds us. Francis was mindful of the need to treat the natural environment in which we live with due respect. After all, it is created by God and is his gift to us for the wellbeing and enjoyment of humanity. Pope Francis today, like his namesake, is very conscious of the environment and has been strident in his efforts to raise awareness among all people, not only Catholics, of their responsibility to take care of the earth which is home to all humanity. Pope Francis in his landmark encyclical letter *Laudato Si* seeks to make care of the natural environment an integral part of Christian living.

When we put our minds to it, we humans are more than capable of taking action to address environmental issues. You may remember quite a few years ago now, that the growing hole in the ozone layer surrounding our planet was the issue of the day. It was being caused by the chemicals used in aerosol sprays. With a concerted and united effort by countries all over the world this issue was addressed and new regulations brought in to ban these chemicals in sprays. Since then the ozone layer ceased its annual depletion and has in fact returned to a more normal level.

Closer to home, smog caused by the burning of solid fuels became a serious problem in Dublin in the 1980s. It was tackled by Mary Harney introducing a ban on smokey coal in the Dublin region in 1990. The effects were immediate with an improvement in air quality and a reduction in illnesses caused by breathing in the polluted smoggy air.

Today the burning environmental concerns are climate change, global warming and the use of fossil fuels. No doubt, in time and with determination by world leaders, these problems too will be properly dealt with and the harm being caused to the environment reduced to a minimum. Indeed there is a growing recognition that we can harness the elements of nature such as the sun and the wind to provide us with the clean energy we need for modern day living.

As the *Season of Creation* draws to a close for this year, we give thanks to God for the wonderful gift of creation. Let us enjoy the fruits of creation in all their diversity and let us all play our part in taking care of creation in whatever way we can.

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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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
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 2nd October

6.30pm Vigil Winnie Galvin (MM)
Maura Heffernan (11th An)
10.30am Gerard Doyle (An)
Patrick (Paddy) Murphy (B'day Rem
and Anniversary)
12noon Maeve Coby (1st An)
Jas Fagan (An)

Monday 3rd October

10.00am David & Rita O'Sullivan (An)

Tuesday 4th October

7.30am Special Intention
10.00am Jerry Kavanagh (An)

Wednesday 5th October

7.30am Kay O'Brien (2nd An)
10.00am Seamus Egan

Thursday 6th October

7.30am Special Intention
10.00am Pdraig Doyle (5th An)
Patrick Doyle & Agnes Doyle

Friday 7th October

7.30am) First Friday of the Month - Mass
10.00am) for the Altar List of the Dead
7.30pm Mass with Anointing of the Sick

Saturday 8th October

10.00am Brendan Hyland (RIP)

Sunday 9th October

6.30pm Vigil Bernard Cummins, Annie Cummins,
Desmond Cummins (An)
Betty Mooney (An)
Maura Gardiner (An)
Morgan & Sally Darcy (An)
Tess & Brendan Friery (An)
Elizabeth West (B'day Rem)
Michael Joseph Leydon (An)
10.30am Anthony Hopkins (1st An) and
12noon Jamie Moloney (1st An)
Tom Dennison (3rd An)



RECENTLY DECEASED

MARY (MAI) BRIERTY

May She Rest in Peace



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!

Feast of the Guardian Angels - 2nd October

This feast originated in Portugal early in the sixteenth century and has figured in the general calendar since the late seventeenth century. It is based on the scriptural belief that God assigns everyone an angel to guard body and soul – an expression of God's personal care for each individual. A similar belief is also found in Jewish and other religious thought.

The third century Christian theologian Origen wrote: 'For each of us in the church of God, no matter how small, there is a good angel of the Lord who stands before the face of God to rule and move and govern, to correct our actions and intercede for us in our sufferings.'

St Jerome, writing a century and a half later does not limit guardian angels to those in the church:

'What a great dignity of souls, that each person has from birth, an angel assigned as guardian!'

**Angel of God, my Guardian dear
To whom God's love commits me here
Ever this day be at my side
To light and guard, to rule and guide. Amen**

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

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.

ASSOCIATION OF CATHOLICS IN IRELAND

Transmitting Faith in Contemporary Culture

Zoom : Thursday October 6th, 2022 at 8.00 p.m.

Prof. Michael Conway

In processing the diocesan synodal reports the ACI steering group concluded that no issue seemed of greater concern than the growing absence of young people, including younger parents, from regular weekly liturgies - even before the onset of the Covid 19 pandemic in the spring of 2020.

There seemed to us to be an island-wide anxiety that the passing on of Catholic faith may too often not be happening now in Ireland.

***"There is a crisis in transmission of faith";
"We are unsure about how to evangelise in the modern world."***

(From the Irish National Synodal Synthesis, August 16th, 2022)

Michael A. Conway is Professor of Faith and Culture, Pontifical University, St Patrick's College, Maynooth - lecturing on *'The changing nature of Irish culture in its relationship to religion, spirituality, and faith.'*

Join Zoom Meeting - Thursday October 6th, 2022 at 8.00 pm using the link on our website www.acireland.ie or Zoom Meeting ID: 850 7379 9955 Passcode: 690623

LECTIO DIVINA

**Every Tuesday in the Parish
Centre after 10am Mass**



Make friends with the angels, who though invisible are always with you. Often invoke them, constantly praise them, and make good use of their help and assistance in all your temporal and spiritual affairs.

Saint Francis de Sales



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

PRAYER MEETING

Every Wednesday in the Parish Centre at 7.30pm.

All Are Welcome

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

Mon 3rd October	Blessed Columba Marmion, Priest
Tues 4th October	St. Francis of Assisi, Religious
Wed 5th October	St. Faustina Kowalska, Virgin
Thurs 6th October	St. Bruno, Priest
Friday 7th October	Our Lady of the Rosary

Our Lady of the Rosary - 7th October

Traditionally, the Rosary to the Blessed Virgin Mary required three rounds of the chaplet, reciting an *Our Father*, ten *Hail Marys* and a *Gloria* for each decade while meditating on the joyful, sorrowful and glorious mysteries of the lives of Jesus and Mary. In 2002 Pope John Paul II added a fourth round with meditations on what he called the "luminous" mysteries, or mysteries of light – 1. Jesus's baptism, 2. the miracle at Cana, 3. the proclamation of the kingdom of God, 4. the transfiguration and 5. the institution of the Eucharist. Legend attributes the origin of the Rosary as a method of prayer to St Dominic. It was promoted as a kind of lay person's Divine Office, the 150 Hail Marys replacing the 150 psalms.

A thought for this Sunday for our Polish Parishioners

Thanks Chris



Many of us who recite the Creed during Sunday Mass think of themselves as "believers." But faith seems to be something of a static concept for many. In today's gospel, the disciples ask Jesus to increase their faith, and Jesus tells them about a faith as small as a mustard seed that is strong enough to pull up a tree by its roots. What is faith? Faith is not a feeling, or a spoken word. Faith is a deep conviction that God can and wants to miraculously touch our lives. Faith can create a new reality that deeply impacts not only us but also people around us. Can you believe this?

Wielu z nas, którzy recytujemy Credo podczas niedzielnej mszy, myśli o sobie jako o ludziach „wierzących”. Wiara wydaje się być dla nas czymś statycznym. W dzisiejszej ewangelii uczniowie proszą Pana Jezusa, aby wzmocnił ich wiarę, a Jezus opowiada im o wierze małej jak ziarno gorczycy, które jest wystarczająco silne, by wyrwać drzewo z korzeniami. Czym jest wiara? Wiara nie jest uczuciem, nie jest też wypowiedzianymi słowami. Wiara jest dogłębnym przekonaniem, że Pan Bóg może i chce w cudowny sposób dotknąć naszego życia. Wiara jest tworzeniem nowej rzeczywistości, która może dogłębnie odmienić nas jak i ludzi wokół nas. Wierzysz w to?

Coastal Rosary for Faith & Life in Ireland



On Sunday October 9th, the annual Coastal Rosary will take place at 2.30pm. Join thousands of people from around Ireland to pray the Rosary for Life and Faith at our coasts, grottos, rivers, churches and other suitable places.

Simply sign up to a Rosary location at www.coastalrosaryireland.ie or text your location to 087 278 6552.

As part of the all Ireland Coastal Rosary for Life and Faith, the Rosary will be prayed at St Brigid's Well on Sunday 9th October at **2.30pm**. All are welcome.

**Let nothing disturb you,
Let nothing frighten you,
All things pass away:
God does not change.**

**Patience attains all things.
Those who have God find they lack nothing
God alone is enough.**

St. Teresa of Avila

Day for Life 2022

Sunday 2 October

The whole of society must hasten to take care of its elderly — they are its treasure! - Pope Francis

Day for Life is celebrated annually by the Catholic Church in Ireland, Scotland, England and Wales. It is a day dedicated to raising awareness of the meaning and value of human life at every stage and in every condition.

This year's *Day for Life* will be celebrated in Ireland on Sunday 2 October on the theme 'Caring for the Older Person'. The focus of the Day for Life this year is older persons. The COVID pandemic highlighted the desperate plight of many older people, especially those in care homes and those struggling with long-term chronic conditions such as dementia. They carried the highest burden which included prolonged isolation, the distress for families being unable to visit, delayed medical interventions and tragic, isolated, deaths followed by shortened, minimal, funeral rites. Many family members and friends continue to bear the wound of deep grief which hurts and is still in need of healing. Pope Francis has recently offered a very different and more positive perspective. In his *Catechesis on Old Age*, he writes, 'The alliance between generations, which restores all ages of life to the human, is our lost gift and we have to get it back.

It must be found, in this throwaway culture and in the culture of productivity. He invites us to listen to the dreams of older women and men and to learn from their wisdom (Joel 2:28). Older persons have a different rhythm to life from which we can learn. He continues, 'The arrogance of the time on the clock must be converted into the beauty of the rhythms of life.' We invite people to think again about the value and worth of older persons in families and in society, and to make practical choices to build bridges between the generations. We call for people and parishes to devote quality time, energy and creativity in caring for the older persons in our communities.

Saint Joachim and Saint Anne, pray for us.

(Taken from Irish Catholic Bishops Conference www.catholicbishops.ie)

Each day provides its own gifts.

Marcus Aurelius

Deacon Don Devaney is blessing your animals today (Sunday 2/10/22) at 3pm in the carpark of the Village Church, Clondalkin.

St. Francis Feast Day is Tuesday 4th October, so this is the Sunday closest to it.

Our pet animals are our treasures and unconditional love is their thing. Every morning wonderful gratitude envelops me when our Mutt appears, her tail wagging in joy. She only wants to play. Wonderful.

So, meet Deacon Don for the blessing.

We will have music: "All Creatures Great and Small", "How much is that Doggie in the Window", "Born Free" and if your child or grandchild has a favourite animal song, just come over to the music and we will play it as Deacon Don goes around blessing your animals individually.

There it is again, the magic word GRATITUDE.

Deadly,

Eddie



WORLD TEACHERS' DAY - 5th October

Held yearly on October 5th, the International teachers' day revolves around "acknowledging, evaluating and enhancing the instructors of the world" and gives a chance to consider the issues identified with educators and the teaching process in general. Held since 1994, October 5th commemorates the anniversary of the adoption of the 1966 ILO/UNESCO Recommendation concerning the Status of Teachers. This Recommendation sets benchmarks regarding the rights and responsibilities of teachers and standards for their initial preparation and further education, recruitment, employment, and teaching and learning conditions.

"A good teacher is like a candle - it consumes itself to light the way for others"

Mustafa Kemal Atatürk