

Life-changing Moments

When you read the Gospels, it's astonishing to see how many people Jesus encountered in the course of his preaching and teaching ministry and the effect that the interaction with Jesus had on those people. For many people it was a life transforming event. Jesus healed many who were sick with all kinds of illnesses, restored sight to the blind, hearing to the deaf and speech to the dumb. He cast out demons, raised the dead, invited people to be his disciples, fed the hungry, forgave sins. No one who encountered Jesus went away untouched by what he said and did, even those who disagreed with him or refused to accept what he was saying.

The story of Zacchaeus, which features in this Sunday's Gospel, is just one of many stories of an individual encountering Jesus and being totally transformed by what happened. It's a familiar story for most of us and well known too by many people as the Gospel story that is used by our children in preparation for their first Confession.

Zacchaeus, like many in Israel at that time, had heard about Jesus. Jesus was making an impact, not only with his preaching, but also with the signs and miracles that were part of his ministry. Thousands of people were following Jesus. Curiosity got the better of Zacchaeus and when he became aware that Jesus was in town he decided to go and see for himself who this person Jesus was

Expecting to be just a spectator to what was happening in Jericho that day, Zacchaeus got the fright of his life when Jesus stopped and spoke directly to him. In the presence of the love and goodness of Jesus, Zacchaeus acknowledges his own failings and sinfulness. Zacchaeus promises to make

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

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restitution to those he has wronged. Zacchaeus is totally transformed as a person having encountered Jesus. He is truly reconciled and discovers a new inner peace.

I think it was Pope Benedict who said that the beginning of faith is an encounter with the person of Jesus. Our faith is not just a set of beliefs but a dynamic relationship with God in the person of Jesus Christ. Whenever we encounter Jesus it is a life-giving and life-enhancing moment. Let us treasure our relationship with Jesus, nourish it through prayer, reading the Word of God and receiving Jesus in Holy Communion. Most of all let us go out and bring that Good News of salvation in Jesus to those we encounter in life each day.

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FIRST FRIDAY HEALING MASS	Víllage Church		
will take place in the Village Church on Friday, 4 th November at 7.30 pm.	Sunday 30th October 6.30pm Vigil James Buchanan (2nd An) Michael Broderick (20th An) Darragh Long (2nd An)		
All are welcome	9.00am Michael Linsey & Carmel Thorpe (Rem)		
We will pray for your Petitions The Sacred Space is created at Our Lady's Altar where we invite you to place your petitions in the prayer	10.30amBobby & Vincent Norton (An) Mary MacConalogue12noonDeceased members of Clondalkin Bridge Clubs Deceased members of the Cahill		
basket during the weekend and the following week. Your prayer requests will be remembered in our daily Rosary after Mass. THE BUILDING HOPE PRAYER	and Molloy families Monday 31st October 10.00am Margaret Ward and deceased members of the Mullaney family		
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.	members of the Mullaney family (An)Tuesday 1st November - Feast of All Saints 10.00amVednesday 2nd November - All the Faithful 7.30am 10.00amFriday 4th November - First Friday of the Month 7.30am 10.00amFriday 4th November - First Friday of the Month 7.30am 10.00amSaturday 5th November 10.00amDebbie Fitzpatrick (5 years deceased) and Bernard Fitzpatrick (30 blian marbh)Sunday 6th November 12noonDeceased members of the Mahon family Joe & Kathleen McConville (An)		
FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK Tuesday 1st November All Saints Wednesday 2nd November All Souls	Recently Deceased JOHN O'MALLEY BERNIE O'NEILL		

Tuesday 1st November Wednesday 2nd November Thursday 3rd November Friday 4th November All Saints All Souls St. Malachy, Bishop St. Charles Borromeo, Bishop

Saturday 5th November

St. Martin de Porres, Religious **COLIN CLOUGHLEY** May They Rest in Peace

MARGARET WIGNALL

We are here for You! PARISH PASTORAL CENTRE UPDATE

We are blessed in many ways as we continue our pastoral ministry here. Thanks to One and All for your kind advice, guidance and shared vision. It is an exciting time for our new Parish Team and your support and prayer is paramount!

Whilst the Parish Office closes at 12.30pm daily, our Pastoral Centre does not.

It is becoming more alive with groups coming back and hopefully new ones starting! We would like to use this opportunity to let you know that our Parish Pastoral Worker, Saule, is available to meet with you in the afternoons if you happen to have a query or a suggestion or are just simply looking for someone to talk to and pray with.

Saule's contacts are on the front page of the newsletter



LECTIO DIVINA

Every Tuesday in the Parish Centre after 10am Mass

ST. MARTIN DE PORRES (1579-1639) Feast Day 5th November

Martin was born in Lima, Peru. His father was a Spanish noble man and his mother a freed black slave from Panama. He inherited his mother's African features. His father virtually disowned him, though he did take

him and his sister to Ecuador to be educated. After his father's appointment as governor of Panama, both children were sent back to their mother in Peru. She practised herbal medicine and Martin picked up that knowledge from her. He also became apprenticed to a barber, which at that time meant he also picked up some surgical expertise. Although "Indians, blacks and their descendants" were barred from becoming religious, Martin was accepted by the Dominicans as a 'donado', (a lay person allowed to live with the community and wear the habit in return for performing menial tasks). But Martin had such gifts of healing that he soon had a reputation as miracle-worker. Also, in distributing food from the convent to the poor, the food seemed to multiply miraculously. He set up a residence where he nursed the sick, befriended the poor, especially illtreated slaves. He also had an orphanage, and set up a shelter for stray animals to whom he was extremely kind. He was eventually accepted as a lay brother. Martin never ate meat, fasted continuously, and spent much time in prayer and meditation. Martin fell ill and died aged sixty. Confounding distinctions of class and race, bishops and nobles turned up to carry his body to his grave. Miraculous cures were claimed at his tomb, but it was 1837 before Pope Gregory XVI beatified him. Pope John XXIII canonised him in 1962.

MONDAY 31 OCTOBER - BANK HOLIDAY

Mass at 10am

TUESDAY 1 NOVEMBER - ALL SAINTS

- Village Monday 31st Vigil Mass at 7.30pm Tuesday 1st Mass at 7.30am and 10am
- Knockmitten Tuesday 1st at 11am

Clonburris Tuesday 1st at 11am and 6.30pm

WEDNESDAY 2 NOVEMBER - COMMEMO-RATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED (ALL SOULS)

Village Knockmitten Clonburris

Mass at 7.30am and 10am Mass at 10am Mass at 11am and 6.30pm

FRIDAY 4 NOVEMBER - FIRST FRIDAY

We remember those whose names are on the Altar List of the Dead.

Morning Mass at 7.30am and 10am. Evening Mass with Anointing of the Sick at 7.30pm

NOVEMBER ALTAR LIST OF THE DEAD

Envelopes for the November Altar List are available on the tables in the Church.

JOURNEY THROUGH MATTHEW'S GOSPEL

We invite you to meet **Jane Mellet**, co-writer of the book **'THE DEEP END'** - Messenger Publications - on **Wednesday**, **9**th **of November in Knockmitten Parish**

Hall at 7.30 pm. Jane will share her insights and inspiration on Matthew's Gospel for the next Church year, also offering you a few simple tools on how to pray with the text.

All Are Welcome

SACRAMENTAL CELEBRATION DATES FOR 2023

These are now available on the Parish website and Facebook page.

May we all continue to pray for the children and their families!

Pray, then let it go. Don't try and manipulate or force the outcome. Just trust God to open the right doors at the

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



VACANCY

Coláiste Bríde Presentation Secondary School invites applications for the post of **Accounts Administrator**. It is a

permanent part-time position, 25 hours per week, Monday - Friday. The candidate must have experience in bookkeeping (Sage), payroll procedures, Revenue and online banking, general administration duties also required (Word, Excel essential). Garda vetting will apply.

Closing date for applications is 2nd of November 2022.

Apply with CV and references to: Secretary, Board of Management, Coláiste Bríde, New Road, Clondalkin, Dublin 22 <u>or</u> by email to <u>mkelly@colaistebride.com</u>)

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!

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 <u>office@clondalkinparish.com</u>

COME TO WORLD YOUTH DAY 2023

WORLD YOUTH DAY – LISBON, AUGUST 2023 Mary arose and went with haste' Luke 1:39

Registrations for **World Youth Day** Lisbon 2023 opened on Sunday with Pope Francis becoming the first to register! The registration process for the Archdiocese of Dublin is currently being finalised and in order to connect with those who wish to travel, those who are interested in going from our area of parishes are invited to email Parish Pastoral Worker, Saule Cameron on <u>saule.cameron@dublindiocese.ie</u> (for those age 16 & 17, with parents' permission!). There will be monthly gatherings of preparation in **St. Paul's Church, Arran Quay** in town and fundraising organised with the support of the Parish Pastoral Council. Fill in the form linked below if you are 18 years or older: https://forms.office.com/r/CeLDQsRFik

PLEASE NOTE, PLACES ARE LIMITED!

The dandelions are leading the charge in blooming again. Our resilient wild flowers are blooming in tandem responding to the mild weather coming up from Africa. Look at The Botanic Gardens' Halloween display featuring produce from the gardens. In Riversdale Estate, we embrace all the joy of Halloween on the day. If you are in the city, visit Newman University Church

and the literary museum and cafe with an enchanting courtyard attached.

It has a stunning tree with lovely clumps of creamy white flowers. Out you go through Iveagh Gardens. Then 5 minutes walk to Wetherspoons Camden Street, opposite Camden Court Hotel. Prepare to be amazed.

God Bless,

Eddie



A Reflection

Thank you, Lord, for being here with us today. Thank you, Lord, for sharing our sorrows. Thank you, Lord, for your great mercy. Thank you, Lord, because you wanted to be like one of us. Thank you, Lord, because you keep ever close to us, even when we carry our crosses. Thank you, Lord, for giving us hope. Lord, may no one rob us of hope! Thank you, Lord, because in the darkest moment of your own life, on the cross, you thought of us and you left us a mother, your mother, Thank you, Lord, for not leaving us orphans!

Pope Francís

(Taken from "Gratias - A Little Book of Gratitude" by John Quinn)

PRAYER MEETING

Every Wednesday in the Parish Centre at 7.30pm.

All Are Welcome

Vocation Themed Intercessions for Sundays of October

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time 30th October

Addressing the church community in Thessalonica, St Paul writes "We pray continually that our God will make you worthy of his call!" We pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood, the Diaconate and Consecrated life and that all who are called by the Lord to follow him will be worthy of his call.

A Prayer for Vocations based on the words of Pope Francis

LORD of the Harvest,

BLESS young people with the gift of courage to respond to your call. Open their hearts to great ideals, to great things.

INSPIRE all of your disciples to mutual love and giving for vocations blossom in the good soil of faithful people.

> INSTILL those in religious life, parish ministries, and families with the confidence and grace to invite others to embrace the bold and noble path of a life consecrated to you.

UNITE us to Jesus through prayer and sacrament, so that we may cooperate with you in building your reign of mercy and truth, of justice and peace. Amen.

St. Vincent de Paul Church Gate Collections will take place in **November** on these weekends:

Knockmitten Church Sat 5th and Sun 6th

Village Church Sat 12th and Sun 13th