



Clondalkin Village Parish

Immaculate Conception of the BVM & St. Killian

Clonburris ☩ Knockmitten

Parish Newsletter

Sunday 20th November 2022



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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Phone & Email**

Clonburris & Knockmitten:

Contact through Village

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GREED OR GOD?

A quarrel over an inheritance can occur even in the most united of families.

Greed for money or material possessions then begins to show itself.

In today's Gospel a man asks Jesus to pass a favourable judgement in a dispute with his brother over a family inheritance. Jesus, refusing to be entangled in a dispute over who is to possess what, invites him and others around him to look at the root of the problem which is "greed", because a person's life is not made secure by what they own, even when they have more than they need.

Jesus then tells the story of the rich man who has such an abundance of crops that he has run out of storage space. The question of sharing his abundance with others less well off does not arise. Instead, the rich man decides to pull down his existing barns and build larger ones to store his grain. He then has a conversation with himself and assures himself that he has plenty of goods for the future so he can now relax and enjoy himself: *"My soul you have plenty of good things laid by for many years to come; take things easy, eat, drink and have a good time."*

But God had a different plan for him. In this, the only parable in Luke's Gospel where God directly addresses a character, says to the rich man: "You fool, this very night demand will be made of your soul and this hoard of yours, whose will it be then?"

The rich fool in the parable discovered too late that material wealth is not a permanent possession. Because he had devoted all his energy to amassing property, he had nobody he could call his own. No one else appears in the story. He appears to be on his own. He speaks only to himself and only about his possessions. With him it is all "Me, Myself and I".

"I will pull down my barns...I will build bigger ones... I will store my grain and my goods...I will eat and drink and have a good time..."

This is what happens when greed takes over. Greed makes us hoarders instead of carers. The alternative is to make ourselves "rich in the sight of God" by sharing and caring for others, especially those in need and caring also for our common home, the earth.

Our lives and possessions are not our own but gifts given to us to be shared. By sharing and caring we "store up treasure for ourselves in Heaven and become rich in the sight of God".

Sr. Anne

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The Annual November Mass for the Deceased and Bereaved will be celebrated on **Monday 21st November at 7.30pm** in the Village Church.

All Welcome

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.

Recently Married



Lisa Proudfoot and Dwayne McCormack

Congratulations!

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

- Mon 21st November* **Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary**
- Tues 22nd November* **St. Cecilia, Virgin & Martyr**
- Wed 23rd November* **St. Columban, Abbot**
- Thurs 24th November* **St. Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest and Companions, Martyrs**
St. Colman of Cloyne, Bishop
- Fri 25th November* **St. Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin & Martyr**
St. Clement 1, Pope & Martyr

Village Church



Sunday 20th November

- 6.30pm Vigil** Nuala Bismilla (An)
John Flynn (2nd An)
John O'Malley (MM)
- 9.00am** Josie & Eileen Hogan (An)
- 10.30am** Walter & Elizabeth Fortune (An)
- 12noon** Francis Kelly (1st An)
Ann Adair (4th An)
Marian Corless (14th An)
Margaret Doyle (29th An)
Frank Keane and deceased members of the Keane family
Maurice Collins (14th An)

Monday 21st November

7.30pm Annual November Mass for the Deceased and Bereaved

Wednesday 23rd November

10.00am Mass for deceased members of the Charismatic Prayer Group

Thursday 24th November

7.30am Mary Brady (1st An)

Sunday 27th November

- 6.30pm** Joe Fitzgibbon (9th An)
Margaret Wignall (MM) and Gordon Wignall (4th An)
- 10.30am** Mary MacConalogue
George Browne (9th An)
Catherine Quigley
Frances Bulley
- 12noon** Mary Reilly (An)
Mary Brady (1st An)
Kathleen McDonnell (17th An)
Rosaleen Delaney (2nd An)
Bridie & Jack Murphy (An)

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 basket during the weekend and the following week.



Your prayer requests will be remembered in our daily Rosary after Mass.

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

WORLD YOUTH DAY LISBON, AUGUST 2023

'Mary arose and went with haste' Luke 1:39

Registrations for **World Youth Day** Lisbon 2023 have opened. 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 are invited to fill in the form linked below. **Please note, places are limited and are for those 18 years or older.** <https://forms.office.com/r/CeLDQsRFiK>



Parish Pastoral Worker, Saule Cameron, is the contact in our parish. Get in touch for the fundraising opportunities and support on 085 875 0995

NOVEMBER ALTAR LIST OF THE DEAD

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

PRAYER MEETING

Every Wednesday in the Parish Centre at 7.30pm.

All Are Welcome

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

Church Repository/Shop

The Parish Christmas cards have arrived. This year a photograph of the stained glass window depicting the Nativity is on the inside of the card. Recipients of these cards will be remembered at Masses on Christmas Day. We also have in stock Advent calendars, Christmas cards, Cribs, religious calendars and lots of Christmas objects. A good selection of Mass cards and plain cards for all occasions are available. Sanctuary candles may also be donated for special or personal intentions.



First Holy Communion and Confirmation 2023



Parents are now invited to register their children with our parish for these Sacraments.

Registration is online through the parish website, www.clondalkinparish.com

*Registration closes on
Friday 2nd December.*

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

Parish Pilgrimage to Lourdes

Due to Covid difficulties it has not been possible to have our Parish pilgrimage to Lourdes since 2020. However, through discussion with a number of people who previously travelled, we now feel we should look at the possibility of going in 2023. We would like to hear from those who might consider going before we talk to the travel company. Please let us know your thoughts if you feel you would like to come. We have normally gone in May, taking into account other events in the Parish (First Holy Communion and Confirmation).

Joe Leonard (087 6820338)

Silence is a very scarce commodity in modern life. It's almost as if we are afraid of it. There's a tendency to fill silent spaces with music and noise. Silence removes the barriers to our internal reality. Are we nervous of being alone with ourselves? But being alone with ourselves is very calming. If I sit in my garden and watch and listen to the birds or watch the moon in the night sky, it is something magical. Yet this is only what is visible to us, and beyond that there is great wonder that we are not privy to. God is the conduit of our own inner goodness.

Alice Taylor

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

LECTIO DIVINA

Takes place each Tuesday in the Parish Pastoral Centre after 10.00am Mass



We remember in our prayers the soul of Vicky Phelan who died recently.

May she rest in peace.

Table Prayer

What do you do with all the Memorial Cards? Here's an idea. When you gather to eat, using the example in the picture, place one of the cards in a glass and light a candle in front of it. You could use this prayer or one from the particular card.



*God of hope.
May your eternal light and peace shine on our friends today. We remember them with us at this table.
May they enjoy the banquet of love prepared for them.
Amen.*

GODLY PLAY

Making meaning through story, wonder and play

We are delighted to invite you all to two Godly Play sessions for **the Advent Story**.

Godly Play is an imaginative and creative method of engaging with the Bible stories and the Liturgical feasts & celebrations throughout the Church year calendar!

Join us in the Parish Pastoral Centre (*the meeting room on the first floor*).

Godly Play for Children

TUESDAYS 6th & 13th December at 2.45 to 3.45pm.

Godly Play for Adults

THURSDAYS 8th & 15th December at 7.30 to 8.30pm.

Facilitators: *Saule Cameron* (PPW) and *Rosemary Lavelle*

To find out more about the Godly Play, look up:

<https://godlyplayireland.com/>
<https://www.godlyplayfoundation.org/>

St Colman of Cloyne (530-606)

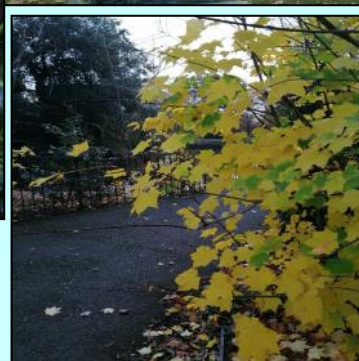
St Colman, Bishop Colman Mac Lenine, was born around 530, probably in West Cork. A bard by profession, he is reputed to have been influenced by St Brendan to become a priest. Colman's principal foundation (560) was at Cloyne, *Cluain Uamha*, "Meadow of the Caves", in east Cork, which Cairpre Crom, king of Munster, gave him as a site for a monastery and monastic school. A round tower and pre-reformation cathedral (now Church of Ireland) still stand at the site. The Danes plundered Cloyne in 822, 824 and 885. The Diocese of Cloyne was named at the Synod of Kells in 1152. A Catholic cathedral of St Colman was built at Cobh, beginning in 1868 and completed in the early years of the 20th century. Another foundation associated with Colman was at Kilmaclenine, near Buttevant, in north Cork, which is said to have been his birth-place. He died in 606. His feast is observed on 24th November.



(Extracts taken from CatholicIreland.net)

Nature keeps on giving in late November ... the wildflowers in our front garden, the holly in Stephen's Green, the stunning Maple leaves, the late white holly buds, the white Yarrow on the south facing slope on Nangor Road, between Woodford Walk and Lidl, the structural beauty of the capstones on the limestone wall at the Round tower. Further afield, the White Cliffs of Dover, the Statue of David in Florence: all derivatives of Limestone.

Wonderous, *Eddie*



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.

THE SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

Pope Pius XI created this feast in 1925. The Blackshirts under Mussolini were already in power in Italy. A comical-looking rabble-rouser called Adolf Hitler had just become leader of the Nazi party in Germany. The world lay in the Great Depression and atheism was on the increase. What Pius XI was doing in creating this feast was to say to the world that despite dictatorships and economic collapse and false values, Jesus Christ was still King of the Universe.

In 1969 Pope Paul VI gave the feast its current date on the last Sunday in the liturgical year.

He also established it as a solemnity (which is of highest liturgical rank) and gave it a new title – The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe.

This is a tremendous feast with which to end the liturgical year because it turns upside down all the pre-conceived ideas we have about hierarchy, kingship and what it means to be in authority.

As we hear in today's Gospel (Luke 23:35-43), Jesus' accusers fail to understand:

... As for the leaders, they jeered and mocked him. "He saved others," they said "let him save himself if he is the Christ of God, the Chosen One." The soldiers mocked him too, and when they approached to offer him vinegar they said, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself."

Their idea of kingship is of an all-powerful ruler, controller and dictator. Jesus' actions have made it clear that he is not that kind of king. He has not come to 'lord' it over people. He is not interested in an earthly type of kingdom. His kingdom is very different – it is not of this world. It is not simply that Jesus had spoken about a different place. His words and deeds presented a different way of living, one that is not about control or power but love and service. Jesus' power comes from God and it is a power that builds people up rather than diminishes them. He doesn't deny that he is a king but it is not the word he would use. The only thing that matters to him is the truth and that truth is God. Those who belong to God listen to the voice of Jesus, the servant king, and follow his example. We're left with the question; who or what do we belong to? We live in extremely difficult times and the Church is certainly going through a difficult time. Yet today we remember that Pius XI created this feast to help us face the harsh realities of life. The message of this feast is that we have a hope-filled future and that things will get better for our Church if we can only open ourselves to the teaching, life and rule of our Universal King, Jesus the Christ, God's Suffering Servant.