



Clondalkin Village Parish

Immaculate Conception of the BVM & St. Killian

Clonburris ☩ Knockmitten

Parish Newsletter

Sunday 5th March 2023

2nd Sunday
of
Lent

This is my Son Listen to him

We have an Easter moment in the Gospel reading at Mass today. Matthew presents his account of the transfiguration of Jesus on Mount Tabor in the presence of Peter, James and John.

Mountains are significant as places of encounter with God. Moses encountered God and received the commandments on Mount Sinai. In our own tradition we can recognise the importance of Croagh Patrick as a place of spiritual pilgrimage. In these elevated places there are often high moments when we get a glimpse of something greater. For the three disciples accompanying Jesus to the top of Mount Tabor, the transfiguration experience is an occasion of revelation. For a few brief moments the disciples are privileged to see Jesus transfigured in all his glory.

The three disciples were profoundly affected by what they saw on the mountain. Jesus clearly wanted to give them an insight into the bigger picture and help them understand the fulness of the message he was preaching, namely that he would die but that he would rise from the dead. By revealing himself in glory to the disciples, Jesus was preparing them for the dark days that were to lie ahead in the aftermath of the crucifixion. The memory of what they saw on the mountain top would undoubtedly sustain them when all seemed lost.

As believers in Jesus we look forward to sharing in the resurrection of Jesus and in sharing his glory in heaven. There we too see shall what Peter, James and John saw on that blessed day on the mountain. We shall see Jesus revealed in all his risen glory. This is the Good News of salvation that we celebrate as disciples of Jesus. It is the Good News that Jesus has asked us to proclaim to the whole world.

In the moment of transfiguration the three disciples hear a voice inviting them to listen to Jesus. It echoes the words spoken at the baptism of Jesus as he began his public ministry. In these Lenten days we are invited to listen as God speaks his word to our hearts and calls on us to follow in his ways. Finding a quiet moment to be with God during the day isn't always easy. It can be difficult to listen to God amid all the clamour of the noisy and busy world we live in.

As we continue to live through this Lenten season, may our hearts be open daily to the voice of Jesus who guides us in our efforts to turn away from sin and be faithful to the Gospel.

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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LENT 2023

There will be an evening Mass at 7.30pm on weekdays, Monday to Friday, during Lent.

Trócaire boxes are available in the Church for anyone who wishes to have one in their home during Lent.

ARISE!

Take up something new for Lent 2023!

Workshops for young adults age 18+ on key areas of social justice and how we can get moving on issues that matter!

Evenings take place in St. Paul's Church, Arran Quay, from 7pm each night. Details in poster on the notice boards and parish FB page. Also for more information, email natalie.doherty@dublindiocese.ie.

Register interest now at:

<https://forms.office.com/e/rwJkixXMyi/>.

Children's Liturgy during Lent

Children are invited to explore the Gospel in a child friendly way on Sundays during Lent.

The Sacramental Preparation Team welcome any children attending the 12 noon Mass in the Village Church to join them in the Parish Pastoral Centre for a short activity during the Mass while the scripture readings and homily take place in the church.

FOR THOSE INVOLVED IN THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD & THE EUCHARIST in Clondalkin parish (the Village Church, Knockmitten and Clonburris)

We are inviting You to come to the Pastoral Centre for an evening of Prayer/Reflection and a cup of tea after the evening Mass:

Ministers of the Word on Monday
13th of March from 8 to 9 pm

Ministers of the Eucharist on Tuesday
14th of March from 8 to 9 pm

PARISH TEAM

LENTEN INITIATIVES

SHARING FAITH IN SMALL GROUPS 'PEOPLE OF HOPE'

We invite you to journey together with us this Lent as we will reflect and pray with the Sunday Gospel.

7 Wednesdays: Ash Wednesday to Holy Week Wednesday, 7.30 - 8.30 pm in Knockmitten Church Parish Hall.

6 Thursdays up to Holy Week, 3.00 to 4.00 pm in Sruleen Parish Pastoral Centre.

Building Hope through Servant Leadership

Five sessions on Monday Evenings in Lent to introduce you to the practice of servant leadership:

**February 27, March 6, March 13, March 20, March 27, all 7.30pm to 9.00pm
in**

**St. Paul's Centre for
Mission and Ministry, Arran Quay.**

This is especially for all those in Parish Ministries and Pastoral Councils.

Led by: Peter Síney and Patrícia Carroll

GODLY PLAY for Children: 'The Faces of Easter'

5 Tuesdays: February 28th, March 7th, 14th, 21st & 28th from 2.45 pm till 3.45 pm in the Parish Pastoral Centre.

Godly Play: making meaning through story, wonder, and play. Nurturing spiritual lives by honouring the centrality, competency, and capacity of children.

Facilitators: Saule Cameron, Parish Pastoral Worker & Rosemary Lavelle

GODLY PLAY for Adults: 'The Faces of Easter'

4 Wednesdays: 1st, 8th, 22nd & 29th of March in Bawnogue Church, John Bosco room, from 7.30 pm till 8.30 pm.

ALL ARE WELCOME!

Village Church



Sunday 5th March

6.30pm Vigil Mercie Conaghan (Recently Dec'd)
Charles Harling (1st An)

9.00am Theresa & Paddy Green (Rem)
Lynsey Green & family (Rem)

10.30am Patricia Gray (Birthday Rem)
Anne & John Connolly (An)
Bridie Naughton (An)
Jack & May O'Neill (An) and
Madge & Joe Sheerin (An)

12noon Jack Ryan (1st An)
Niamh Buckley (3rd An)
Paul Guidon (Birthday Rem)

Monday 6th March

10.00am Bill & Nora Rumgay (1st An)

Wednesday 8th March

10.00am Eileen Holohan (57th An)
7.30pm Colm Murphy (An)

Friday 10th March

10.00am Oliver Grace & Deceased members
of the Grace family

Sunday 12th March

6.30pm Vigil Rose & James McKenna (23rd An)
Mary McElroy & Dalton McElroy (An)
Mary Corrigan (3rd An) and
William Corrigan (54th An)
Josephine Keane (2nd An)
Greta Priest (An)

12noon Jimmy Doyle (2nd An)
Daniel Delahan (1st An)
Thomas McLoughlin (2nd An)

O holy St. Philip Neri, patron saint of joy, you who trusted Scripture's promise that the Lord is always at hand and that we need not have anxiety about anything, in your compassion heal our worries and sorrows and lift the burdens from our hearts. We come to you as one whose heart swells with abundant love for God and all creation. Hear us, we pray, especially in this need (*make your request here*). Keep us safe through your loving intercession, and may the joy of the Holy Spirit which filled your heart, St. Philip, transform our lives and bring us peace. Amen.



This prayer to St. Philip Neri can help anyone weighed down by the anxieties of the world to see the joy of the Gospel in a new way.

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES IN PARISH PASTORAL CENTRE

Monday

The Monday Club
(after 10am Mass & Rosary)

LOCALISE

Youth Volunteering
Leader: Cat Scanlon
7.00-8.00pm - during school term
(*new members always welcome*)

**Recovery Self-Help
Method Meeting**
8.00pm

Tuesday

Lectio Divina
Led by Sr. Anne
(after 10am Mass & Rosary)

Wednesday

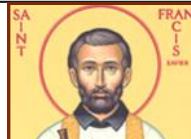
**St. Joseph's Young Priests
Society**
Meeting in the Pastoral Centre
after Mass on the last Wednesday
of the month.
New members welcome.

Charismatic Prayer Group
7.30-8.30pm

Thursday

**Exposition of the Blessed
Sacrament**
Every Thursday in the Church
from 10.30 to 11.30am and
7.30 to 8.30pm led by
Deacon Don Devaney

NOVENA OF GRACE in honour of St. Francis Xavier



Continues until Sunday 12th March.

Novena prayers will be recited at all Masses

UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHAPLAINCY

Fr Vasyl Kornitsky is Chaplain to the Ukrainian community and curate in Donnycarney Parish.
He can be contacted at 086 2359561
or ugccie@gmail.com

Ukrainian Mass (Divine Liturgy of St John Chrysostom, Byzantine rite) is held every Sunday at 1pm in Our Lady of Consolation Church, Donnycarney.

**FRIENDS OF
NEWCASTLE BURIAL GROUND**

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
Wednesday 15th March @ 7.30pm**

Venue:

**'The Den', St. Finian's Church Grounds,
Newcastle**

ALL WELCOME



**PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO
LOURDES 2023**

Monday 15th to Saturday 20th May,
5 nights full board, 4* Hotel Astrid,
€800 per person sharing, single room
supplement €165.

Flight direct to Lourdes with Ryanair,
10kg baggage allowance, travel insurance
included (€20 extra for pilgrims over 85).

Booking form along with a copy of the
photograph page of your passport required.

Forms available soon from the Parish Office or from
Joe at 087-6820338.

Please check your passport is in date and valid until
end of August this year.



*In the Spring, I have counted
136 different kinds of
weather inside of 24 hours.*

Mark Twain

The Pope's Intention for Victims of Abuses

We pray for those who have suffered harm from
members of the Church; may they find within the
Church herself a concrete response to their pain
and suffering.

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

Tues 7th March

**St. Perpetua and St. Felicity,
Martyrs**

Wed 8th March

**St. John of God, Religious
St. Senan, Bishop**

Thurs 9th March

St. Frances of Rome, Religious

Sat 11th March

St. Aengus, Bishop & Abbot

New Asteroids named after three Jesuits and a Pope

562971 Johannhagen, 551878 Stoecker, 565184 Janusz and
560974 Ugoboncompagni.

These are the names of the four asteroids named after three
astronomers from the Vatican Observatory, and Pope
Gregory XIII. Pope Gregory, who was born Ugo
Boncompagni, is the Pope to whom we owe the reform of
the calendar (later known as the Gregorian Calendar) and
the beginning of the tradition of papal astronomers and
observatories. The astronomers after whom three celestial
bodies have been named are the Jesuits Johann Hagen, who
was director of the Vatican Observatory from 1906 to 1930,
Bill Stoecker, cosmologist and theologian, and Robert Janusz,
currently on the staff of the Vatican Observatory. The
names of the four 'famous' asteroids were published by the
International Astronomical Union in its latest bulletin on
7th February. *(Taken from Vatican News website)*

St. Senan, Bishop (6th Century) - Feast Day 8th March

Senan's reputed birthplace was Moylough, about four miles east of Kilrush, Co. Clare. He received his first monastic formation locally on the peninsula of West Clare from the abbot Cassidan. He then went to the monastery of St Natalis at Kilnamanagh in Ossory. After he had acquired a reputation for holiness, Natalis sent him to make his own foundations. He went first to a green island in the River Slaney called *Iniscoirithe*, (the present Enniscorthy) where he had a cell. Today the parish on the east side of the River Slaney in the town of Enniscorthy is dedicated to him. Senan then went on pilgrimage to Rome and on his return journey is said to have visited the shrine of St. Martin of Tours and the Abbot David at Menevia. He may have been consecrated Bishop before he returned to Ireland. On his return he had a church at Iniscarra near Ballincollig, Co Cork, where there is still a St Senan's church today. He was already advanced in years when he came home to West Clare to establish his monastery on Scattery Island, then *Inis Cathaigh*. Senan's reputation spread far and wide. Brendan of Birr and Kieran of Clonmacnois came to visit him for spiritual direction. Before his death Senan decided to visit and pray at the cell of the abbot Cassidan, who had directed his first steps as a monk. As he made his way home and was passing Killeochaille, he was taken ill. A voice seemed to say: "Servant of God, you are being called to heaven". His companions carried him home and he died on the feast of St David in 544. They spent eight days mourning him, so his feast is on 8th March.

(Extract from CatholicIreland - Archive of the Saints)

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.
- 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 or know of someone who does, please do not hesitate to email or call.

CHURCH CAR PARK

Work is now under way to erect the new boundary wall and railing between the nursing home and the car park in front of the Church.

Some disruption and reduced parking will be inevitable while this work is taking place over the coming weeks.

Speed tends to cancel our peace. When you move at speed, you are out of touch with Spirit and when you are out of touch with Spirit, the ego steps in and takes control. Slow down!

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We are always getting ready to live, but never living.

Ralph Waldo Emerson

(Taken from "Day by Day" by Sr. Stan)

In this snappy weather, coming in under the archway into the grounds of the village Church, there it is in one flowerbed around the trees, the Lesser Celandine, perfectly heart shaped leaves and delightfully distinctive yellow blooms but only in sunshine.

William Wordsworth (1770--1850) loved them:
"a prophet of delight and mirth".

"When hailstones have been falling swarm on swarm or blasts the greenfield and the trees distressed,

*Oft have I seen it muffled up from harm,
In close self shelter,
Like a thing at rest".*

Wordsworth had a much stronger association with the Lesser Celandine than with the Daffodil and no wonder. This gutsy little early Spring gem is in form and bloom so striking to behold.

It is delightful to all who are minutely attentive to Nature's early Spring March.

This little guy is carved on the statue of Wordsworth, beside the statue of Shakespeare in Poets' Corner in Westminster Abbey. How deadly is that!!

Walking in the Lake District, Wordsworth wrote a few poems celebrating the little guy.

Could it be that it blooms so early in Spring that it turned Wordsworth's head and quickened his quill? (Probably).

Eddie