



# Clondalkin Village Parish

*Immaculate Conception of the BVM & St. Killian*

**Clonburris ✚ Knockmitten**

Parish Newsletter

Sunday 23rd July 2023



## World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly

This Sunday we mark the third annual celebration of the day for grandparents and the elderly. It is celebrated on a Sunday near to the feast day of Saints Joachim and Anne, the parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary, and therefore the grandparents of the child Jesus. It is a recognition of the important role that the older members of our families and communities play in the lives of our children and young people.

There can be a real temptation at times to overlook the significance of the older members within our families and communities. Too often we come across an ageist view of older people as being 'past their prime', with an ever growing list of ailments and frailties, with disability and mobility issues, and no longer able to make a real meaningful contribution to society.

To see our older people solely in this way is not only a failure to recognise their dignity as human people, it is also a failure to appreciate the many gifts and blessings that older people bring to our lives. One of the unique gifts that is particular to older people is the wisdom gained from their lived experience of life. With the benefit of hindsight, older people can offer a balanced and valuable insight to our younger people as they grow in life and try to deal with all the complexities that life today throws at them.

Having retired from their life's work and labours, having reared their families, and being free of some of the responsibilities and pressures that beset younger people, older people are often blessed with a greater abundance of the gift of time. This time is frequently well spent in helping and supporting their families and friends in a whole variety of practical ways, providing voluntary services in the wider community and enriching the quality of life of those they engage with in immeasurable ways.

Today we acknowledge the valuable contribution of grandparents and older people to the lives of our families and communities. We appreciate what they bring to the lives of their grandchildren and younger people. We pray in thanksgiving for the gift of their presence with us. We pray that the Lord in his love will bless them with peace and contentment in life.

*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

**Please contact through  
Phone & Email**

### Clonburris & Knockmitten:

Contact through Village

**Submissions for  
Newsletter:**

[Parishnewsletter1@gmail.com](mailto:Parishnewsletter1@gmail.com)

## Parish Contacts

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### Clonburris

### Deacon

### Parish Pastoral Worker

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## FAITH DEVELOPMENT/ TRAINING POSSIBILITIES

### **Young Adult Camino in Summer 2024**

Plans are currently being made to host a Young Adult Camino in Summer 2024 for the Archdiocese of Dublin.

It will be the final stage, walking the 110kms from Sarria to Santiago, with a day trip to Finisterre. Upon reaching the Cathedral in Santiago, those walking will get their Compostela.

Three preparation sessions will be held in March, April and May. Register your interest now by fill in the following form: <https://forms.office.com/e/q4xqzF4Vwv/>.

All queries can be sent to [natalie.doherty@dublindiocese.ie](mailto:natalie.doherty@dublindiocese.ie).

We look forward hearing from you!

*Please share this initiative with your Friends & Family!*

### **Know your Faith – Come to Pathways: Exploring Faith and Ministry**

Applications are now open for the next intake of participants for *Pathways*. The programme, run by the Dublin Archdiocese, begins this year in DCU St Patrick's Campus, Upper Drumcondra Road, Dublin 9, on Thursday, September 28 (7pm – 9.30pm).

Places are limited so early application is advised.

*Pathways* is a two-year, one-evening-a-week course for adults of all ages who wish to explore their faith. It runs from late September to May each year. There are no exams and no written work. The only requirement is an openness to listening to others and to participate. You can just come along and enjoy! The cost is €400 for the coming year which may be paid in instalments. Some sponsorship may be available for those of limited means.

*Places are limited.*

For more information please visit [www.missionministry.ie](http://www.missionministry.ie) or contact Eileen Houlahan, CHF, PhD, Director, *Pathways* Programme at 01 8087594 or [pathways@dublindiocese.ie](mailto:pathways@dublindiocese.ie).

Leaflets are available in our Church on the notice boards..

## LOUGH DERG



**Traditional 3 day pilgrimage season open now until 15<sup>th</sup> August.**

**Booking advised. Cost is €80.**

*See [www.loughderg.org](http://www.loughderg.org) for details*

**Clondalkin Parish  
Pilgrimage to Knock**  
Saturday 26th August 2023



**All in fare €50 (non refundable)**

If interested in going please put your name, phone number and money in an envelope and drop it into the Parish Office or Sacristy for the attention of Kathleen Ryder.

### **THE SYNOD UPDATE Instrumentum laboris**

**(Latin for 'working instrument')**

We encourage you to read online The *Instrumentum Laboris*, the official working document for the first session of the **16th Ordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops**, was launched on June 20. A large number of people from various parts of the world with different expertise prepared this important text which will animate all the work of the October assembly.

See <https://synod.ie/instrumentum-laboris-for-synod-2021-2024/>.

The list of participants in the October assembly has also been released. See <https://www.vaticannews.va/en/vatican-city/news/2023-07/vatican-october-assembly-synod-on->

### ***Ministers of the Eucharist***

We have **a new rota for the months of August/ September** ready for you with a letter attached addressing some important information you may find helpful. Please collect it in the Sacristy.

Please save the date - **Saturday, 30<sup>th</sup> of September, for the VOLUNTARY MINISTRY MATTERS training/update**. More details will follow shortly.

With gratitude for your commitment and ministry.

*Parish Team & Ministers of the Eucharist core group*

## Village Church



### Sunday 23rd July

**10.30am** Bridget Fitzsimons (An)  
Jack & Mary Finlay (Rem)  
Barry Carroll (8th An)

**12noon** Desmond Mellon (1st An)  
Special Intention

### Wednesday 26th July

**7.30am** Special Intention  
**10.00am** Terence Kinane (Birthday Rem)

### Sunday 30th July

**6.30pm Vigil** Oswald (Ossie) Murphy (4th An)  
Noel Claffey (Month's Mind)

**10.30am** Mary Cashin (An)  
Mary MacConalogue (Rem)  
Vincent Slattery (Birthday Rem)  
Pat Walsh  
Vincent Slattery (Birthday Rem)

**12noon** Imelda Gilleran (An)  
Sheila Kelleher (An)  
Eileen Smith (20th An)

## WEEKLY ACTIVITIES IN PARISH PASTORAL CENTRE

**Monday** **The Monday Club**  
(after 10am Mass & Rosary)  
No club this week

**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

## Youth 2000 Summer Festival

**Clongowes College, Clane, Co Kildare**

**Thursday 10th to Sunday 13th August**

**For young people 16 to 35 years**

*The festival includes inspiring talks,  
music, prayer, concert, workshops,  
dramas, share groups, reconciliation and  
healing service and Mass.*

*Donation only and we have buses going  
from all over Ireland. For more  
information and to book your place  
go to [www.youth2000.ie](http://www.youth2000.ie)*

## FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

<i>Monday 24th July</i>	<b>St. Declan, Bishop</b> <b>St. Sharbel Makhluof, Priest</b>
<i>Tuesday 25th July</i>	<b>St. James, Apostle</b>
<i>Wednesday 26th July</i>	<b>St. Joachim &amp; St. Anne, parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary</b>
<i>Saturday 29th July</i>	<b>St. Martha, St. Mary and St. Lazarus</b>

## SUMMER OFFERING/DUES

Archbishop Dermot Farrell is inviting parish-ioners to continue to support the priests of the Parish and Diocese by means of the Summer Dues/Offering collection over these Summer months.

Envelopes are available on the tables in the Church.

Thank you for your support.



*RECENTLY DECEASED*

**JIMMY GAVIN**

**MAURICE CAREY**

*May They Rest in Peace*



### *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](mailto: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.**



I would like to thank everyone who contributed to the bucket collection in aid of the Diabetic Unit at Our Lady's Children's Hospital, Crumlin last weekend.

*Joan Ward*

## WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY

"His mercy is from age to age" (Luke 1:50) is the theme chosen by the Holy Father for the third World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly and for the Message that bears the date of the Feast of the Visitation. This year's celebration, dedicated to grandparents and the elderly, will take place on **Sunday, July 23rd**, just days before the start of World Youth Day in Lisbon.

The **National Grandparents' Pilgrimage** is taking place in Knock this Sunday, July 23rd. All are welcome for this wonderful celebration of family and faith through the generations.

For more information see [www.catholicgrandparentsassociation.org](http://www.catholicgrandparentsassociation.org). Also: Dicastery for Laity, Family and Life.

## MESSAGE FROM CROSSCARE

You may come in contact with people who experience food poverty through your work. We help families and individuals with food supplies, and through our caseworkers, with any other issues that have brought them into poverty.

We have food collection and casework centres across Dublin – in Finglas, Ronanstown, Jobstown, Nutgrove, Bonnybrook, Blanchardstown, and Dublin 1 – with plans to establish more where needed.

Please share details of this service (below) through your networks so we can reach as many people in need as possible.

Email: [foodcaseworkservice@crosscare.ie](mailto:foodcaseworkservice@crosscare.ie).  
Phone: 01 8913022.

Please do not hesitate to get in touch.

*Yvonne Fleming, Senior Manager at Crosscare*

## HORSES IN THE RIVER FIELD

Imagine, the day is overcast. Where, oh!! where to get a picture. There he is, that powerful little beauty with white socks and head gracefully bowed, our Watery Lane horse silhouetted against four wonderful shades of green, all on a token cloudy day. Oh!! That strength, grace and agile symmetry. Will he win the Derby? No. Will he win our hearts? Yes.

Walt Whitman (1819-1892) just nails it.

### *The Stallion*

*"A gigantic beauty of a stallion,  
Fresh and responsive to my caresses,  
Head held high in the forehead,  
Wide between the ears,  
Limbs glossy and supple,  
Tail dusting the ground.  
Eyes full of sparkling wickedness.  
Ears finely, flexibly moving,  
His nostrils dilate as my heels  
Embrace him.  
His well built limbs tremble with  
Pleasure as we race around and return"*

What a gift from close perception on a dull day.

*Eddie*

