



Clondalkin Village Parish

Immaculate Conception of the BVM & St. Killian

Clonburris Knockmitten

Parish Newsletter

Sunday 1st October 2023

26th Sunday
of
Ordinary
Time

Synod 2023

The 16th General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops, called by Pope Francis, opens in Rome on Wednesday 4th October, the feast of St. Francis of Assisi. The focus of the discussions is on synodality, how we work together as a Christian community listening to God's word and to one another, and discerning with the help of the Holy Spirit the way forward for our Church at this moment in time.

Following consultation with Catholic people throughout the world at parish, diocesan, national and continental levels, key characteristics of what constitutes a synodal Church have emerged.

These are summarised in the *Instrumentum Laboris*, the working document that will guide the Synod discussions as follows:

A synodal Church is founded on the recognition of a common dignity deriving from Baptism

A synodal Church is a Church that listens and a Church of listening

A synodal Church is a Church that desires to be humble, and knows it has much to learn

A synodal Church is a Church of encounter and dialogue, which is not afraid of the variety it bears, but values it without forcing it into uniformity

A synodal Church is a Church that is open, welcoming and embraces all

A synodal Church is a Church willing and able to handle tensions without being crushed by them

A synodal Church is a restless Church because she is aware that she is vulnerable and incomplete

A synodal Church is also a Church of discernment

Three key words will direct the work of the Synod over the coming weeks. These words are **Communion**, **Mission** and **Participation**. The Synod will look at the question of how to grow in **communion** by welcoming all, no one excluded, in fidelity to the Gospel; the question of concrete ways for co-responsibility, recognising and valuing the contribution of each baptised person in view of the common **mission**; the identification of structures and dynamics of governance through which to articulate **participation** and authority over time in a missionary synodal Church.

Let us pray for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit on the work of the Synod over the coming weeks, that it may bear much fruit so that our Church may be a more faithful and authentic witness to Jesus Christ as we continue the mission entrusted to us of bringing the Good News of salvation to the ends of the earth.

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

Sunday 11am

Knockmitten

Sunday 11am

Parish Office Hours

Clondalkin:

Monday-Friday : 9.30-12.30

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FAITH DEVELOPMENT/ TRAINING POSSIBILITIES

SEASON OF CREATION 2023 INITIATIVE Screening of "THE LETTER"

The Letter, released in October 2022, is a powerful, thought-provoking documentary, exploring more about the principles of '*Laudato Si'*, the *second encyclical of Pope Francis*.

We invite you to the event - screening of The Letter! Come and find out more about this documentary and how its spiritual values call us to take action on the planetary crisis. It focuses on a small group of people from around the world who have an encounter with Pope Francis that gives them new hope. After we watch the movie, we'll reflect, talk and think about how we can take action. We'll even have popcorn!

We're meeting on **TUESDAY 3rd of OCTOBER**
at 7pm in Bawnogue Church
CAN YOU MAKE IT?

HOSPITALITY TEAM

We would like to extend an invitation to You to consider this great opportunity to become a member of a new Hospitality Team in our Parish!

You may already have been involved in preparing refreshments on different occasions in our Parish Centre? Without a doubt, we all know the importance of coming together and sharing a cuppa!

We hope to build a Team which could share this exciting Ministry on a rota basis:
one Sunday a month after the 12 pm Mass;
Wednesdays after the 10 am and also for Parish events.

Please leave your name and phone number in the Parish Office. We will have an information evening very soon!

ARE YOU IN?

Parish Pastoral Council



First Holy Communion and Confirmation 2024



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 opens on
Monday 2nd October and closes on
Friday 27th October.**

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

A meeting for the Parents/Guardians of the children who are preparing to receive their **First Holy Communion** in 2024, will take place on **Wednesday 11th October at 7.30pm** in our Parish Church.

A meeting for the Parents/Guardians of the children, who are preparing for the **Sacrament of Confirmation** in 2024, will take place on **Monday 13th November at 7.30 pm** in our Parish Church.

We look forward seeing you.
Parish Team

First Friday - 6th October

Mass at 7.30am, 10am and 7.30pm.
Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick
available at the 7.30pm Mass.



*Recently Married
Congratulations!*

**Lee Hughes
and
Adriana Corona**

Village Church



Sunday 1st October

- 6.30pm Vigil** Gerard Doyle (An)
David & Rita O'Sullivan (Rem)
- 10.30am** Edward Norton (An)
Maura Heffernan (An)
Patrick (Paddy) Murphy (Birthday Rem and 19th An)
- 12noon** Maeve Coby
Liam O'Shea (Recently deceased)
Eamonn Boyce (Birthday Rem)
Seán McConnell (An)
Jas Fagan (An)
- 3.00pm** Blessing of the Animals in the
Village Church car park

Monday 2nd October

- 10.00am** Kay O'Brien (3rd An)

Tuesday 3rd October

- 10.00am** Padraig Doyle (An)
Agnes Doyle (An)

Wednesday 4th October

- 10.00am** Seamus Egan (Birthday Rem)

Thursday 5th October

- 10.00am** Jerry Kavanagh (An)

Friday 6th October

- 7.30am) 1st Friday - Altar List of the Dead**
10.00am)
- 7.30pm Mass with Anointing of the Sick**

Saturday 7th October

- 10.00am** Seamus Egan (Birthday Rem)

Sunday 8th October

- 6.30pm Vigil** Annie, Benny & Des Cummins (An)
Tom Dennison (4th An)
Elizabeth West (Birthday Rem)
Morgan & Sally Darcy (An)
Brendan & Tess Friery (An)
- 10.30am** Bridget Norton (An)
Michael Minogue (An)
Michael Joseph Leydon (65th An)
- 12noon** Betty Whelan (An)
Bryan Carroll (12th An)

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES IN PARISH PASTORAL CENTRE

Monday

The Monday Club

(after 10am Mass & Rosary)

Recovery Self-Help Method Meeting

8.00pm

Tuesday

Lectio Divina

(after 10am Mass & Rosary)

Led by Sr. Anne

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

CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP

Members of the Clondalkin Charismatic Prayer
Group are organising a Bus to Glendalough to
Fr. Thady Doyle's "God's Cottage" on
Sunday 22nd October to celebrate 49 years of
meeting together each week since October 1974
to pray and thank God.

We will be having lunch on the way.
Programme of prayer starts at 1.45pm.
Mass at 3.00pm. Returning home at 5-5.30pm.

If interested, please contact Claire on 087126 7398



RECENTLY DECEASED

DOLORES SHIELDS
PAULINE SMITH
JOHN (SEAN) QUIGLEY

May They Rest in Peace

SeniorLine is a confidential listening service for older people provided by trained older volunteers.

Freephone 1800 80 45 91

Lines open every day between 10am and 10pm

AgeAction

For all older people

Age Action operates a busy information service on older people's issues and services throughout Ireland.

Trained information officers provide information or referrals to the appropriate organisations.

The information service is open:

Monday from 9:30am-1:30pm and 2.30-4.00pm

Wednesday from 9.30am-1.30pm

Thursday from 9.30am-1.30pm.

Tel: (01) 475 6989 Email: info@ageaction.ie

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

<i>Mon 2nd October</i>	The Holy Guardian Angels
<i>Tues 3rd October</i>	Blessed Columba Marmion, Priest
<i>Wed 4th October</i>	St. Francis of Assisi, Religious
<i>Thurs 5th October</i>	St. Faustina Kowalska, Virgin
<i>Fri 6th October</i>	St. Bruno, Priest
<i>Sat 7th October</i>	Our Lady of the Rosary

Prayer of Saint Francis of Assisi

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace.

Where there is hatred, let me sow love;
where there is injury, pardon;
where there is doubt, faith;
where there is despair, hope;
where there is darkness, light;
and where there is sadness, joy.

Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek
to be consoled as to console;
to be understood as to understand;
to be loved as to love.

For it is in giving that we receive;
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned;
and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen



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.
- 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@quarryvalefc.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.

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 do not hesitate to get in touch.

Yvonne Fleming, Senior Manager at Crosscare

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

Phone: 01 8913022

We can't all live in close contact with the earth, but we can get to know our own space upon the earth.

Spend time out of doors, celebrate the earth, reverence it, give thanks for it.

All are but parts of one stupendous whole, whose body Nature is and God the soul. Alexander Pope

(Taken from "Day by Day" by Sister Stan)



Monday Club

25th September 2023

Hello parishioners and readers of the Newsletter.

Just a brief update on our activities since I wrote last. Last week we welcomed Fr. Bala back after a long absence of four years. Thank God after so much happening he was able to return to our parish for a few weeks holiday which he so deservedly needs.

Also we welcomed Sisters Vianney and Breda who have recently taken up residence in the community of the Presentation Sisters.

We had a very successful Coffee Morning raising €350 in aid of Our Lady's Hospice, Harold's Cross.

This week we had a musical morning when Sean Coughlan entertained us with a wide selection of his songs taking us on a tour of Ireland from Derry to Cork and in between with everybody singing along. Thank you Sean. Hopefully you will be back with us soon again.



Thank you Julie for helping me to put up the tables and to those of you who help with the tidy up afterwards. It's much appreciated.

Until next week, take care and be safe.

Kathleen R

MONDAY 2nd OCTOBER

Feast of the Holy Guardian Angels

Angels are mentioned in more than half of the books of the Bible and three angels are named archangels or highest angels in different writings – **Michael**, (Dan 10:13, Jude 9 and Rev 12:7), **Gabriel** (Dan 8:16 and Luke 1:19 and 26) and **Raphael** in the Book of Tobit). The Greek word *angellos* means "messenger" and in the Bible angels act as messengers of God. For example, an angel appears to Zechariah in the temple foretelling the birth of John the Baptist (Lk 1:11-20), to Joseph and Mary foretelling the birth of Jesus (Mt 1:20-25 and Lk 1:26-38) and to the women at Jesus' tomb telling of his resurrection (Mt 28:2-7; Jn 20:11-13). The belief in guardian angels is based on the protecting power of God as expressed in Psalm 90:10-12: *Upon you no evil shall fall, no plague approach where you dwell. for you has he commanded his angels, to keep you in all your ways. They shall bear you upon their hands lest you strike your foot against a stone....* and on what Jesus says about little children (Mt 18:10) *'See that you never despise any of these little ones, for I tell you that their angels in heaven are continually in the presence of my father in heaven.'* 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.*

HAIL HOLY QUEEN CONFERENCE

SPEAKERS
FR SEAN MAGUIRE
FR COLUM POWER
CATHERINE MCGOWAN
FR FREDDY WARNER SMA

SATURDAY OCT 7TH | 2PM

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HAIL HOLY QUEEN CONFERENCE 2023 IS LIVE ON RADIO MARIA IRELAND FROM 2PM ON SATURDAY 7TH OCTOBER. Speakers include FR. SEÁN MAGUIRE, FR. COLUM POWER, CATHERINE MCGOWAN, FR. FREDDY WARNER. Radio Maria Ireland can be listened to by downloading the Radio Maria Ireland APP, Saorview Channel 210 or listen live at (01) 4373277

UN International Day of Older Persons

1st October 2023

On 14 December 1990, the United Nations General Assembly designated October 1 as the International Day of Older Persons. This was preceded by initiatives such as the Vienna International Plan of Action on Ageing, which was adopted by the 1982 World Assembly on Ageing and endorsed later that year by the UN General Assembly. In 1991, the General Assembly adopted the United Nations Principles for Older Persons. In 2002, the Second World Assembly on Ageing adopted the Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing, to respond to the opportunities and challenges of population ageing in the 21st century and to promote the development of a society for all ages. The number of older people (defined as those aged 65 years or older) tripled from around 260 million in 1980 to 761 million in 2021. Between 2021 and 2050, the global share of the older population is projected to increase from less than 10% to around 17%. Rapid growth in the number of people reaching older ages underscores the significance of promoting health, preventing, and treating illnesses throughout the entire course of life. In societies with aging populations, it becomes imperative to adjust to the increasing number of elderly individuals who possess a diverse range of functional capacities. The capability to carry out essential functions and partake in everyday activities is influenced not solely by an individual's inherent capacity but also by the social and physical environments in which they reside. Supportive environments play a pivotal role in assisting older individuals to maintain their activity levels and independence as they progress in age.

Change the Way You Think About Age!