

CLONDALKIN PARISH

Clondalkin Village - Knockmitten - Clonburris

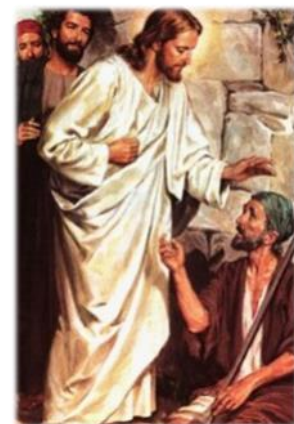
Parish Newsletter - Sunday 11th February 2024

(Working in partnership with Bawnogue, Deansrath and Sruleen parishes)

6th Sunday
of
Ordinary
Time

People make a Difference

Any story involving leprosy is a story of inclusiveness with Jesus. The people whom nobody wanted were deep in his heart. Jesus wanted to make his life better and in this case, the man was cured. The news spread of this new religious man, a prophet maybe, but one who went where nobody else would go.



Jesus sees into the heart and there he finds a home, because God his Father lives in each of us. His motivation is his deep relationship with all of us. He will cleanse any of the unacceptable sides of ourselves so that we see ourselves as image of God, forgiven and clean. Can we see others like that?

Who would be those he would reach today like this? Maybe the people who want to change their lives from condemnation by self and others. We can name them often, and our society can be cruel on prisoners and their families, abusers of any sort, prostitutes, victims of AIDS and many others. He offers a way out of condemnation and that is often through the goodness and care of another. When we come to him, we meet his followers, and that also can make a difference.

*Recall someone who made a difference in your life at a bad time.
Give thanks for it!*

Jesus, healer of souls, heal what keeps me from loving like you.

Donal Neary S.J.

(Taken from CatholicIreland-Sunday Homily)

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Mass Times and Services

Clondalkin Village

Sunday: Saturday Vigil 6.30pm
Sunday 9am (in Irish), 10.30am & 12 noon
Weekdays: Monday to Friday 7.30am & 10am
Saturday 10am
Confessions: Saturday 10.30am to 11am

Knockmitten

Sunday: 11am
Weekdays: Mon, Wed & Fri - Liturgy of the Word at 10am

Clonburris

Sunday: 11am

Dear Parents/Guardians, please find information about your children's Sacramental preparation:



CONFIRMATION CONNECT

A gathering in the **Village Church** on **Tuesday 20th February at 7.30pm.**

This gathering will be a short prayer service and includes the presentation of the **OUR FATHER** prayer to each boy or girl.

Details have been emailed to all those registered with the parish for Confirmation.



FIRST RECONCILIATION AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

PARISH PARENT TALK (PPT)

Zoom meetings for the Parents/Guardians of the children preparing for **First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion**

The Zoom link will be emailed to parents on the day.

Second PARISH PARENT TALK Zoom meeting on Reconciliation (Choices) on **Tuesday 27th February** at 7pm & 8pm.

Third PPT Zoom meeting on First Holy Communion - **Wednesday 13th March** at 7pm & 8pm.

Fourth PPT Zoom meeting on First Holy Communion - **Wednesday 17th April** at 7pm & 8pm

We will be offering **the same repeated session at 7.00pm & 8.00pm** each evening to give you more flexibility to join the meeting.

Sacramental Preparation Team



We remember in our prayers the people and intentions we have been asked to pray for during this week.

LENT 2024

The season of Lent this year begins on Wednesday next, 14th February, which is Ash Wednesday.

Village Church

Mass on Ash Wednesday at **7.30am, 10am and 7.30pm**. Ashes will be blessed and distributed at all Masses on the day.

Clonburris

Mass at **9.30am** with blessing and distribution of ashes.

Knockmitten

Liturgy of the Word at **10am** with distribution of ashes.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Monthly collection outside the Village Church will take place this weekend, 10th and 11th February, after all Masses.

Thank you for your support.

DAY OF PRAYER FOR SURVIVORS OF ABUSE

This year's Worldwide Day of Prayer for Survivors and Victims of Sexual Abuse will take place on February 16, the first Friday of Lent.

The Day of Prayer is an initiative of Pope Francis and was first marked in Irish dioceses in 2017. Blessed candles will be lit in parishes across the country as a reminder to the faithful of the need for atonement and to symbolise repentance; light in the darkness and hope.

These 'Candles of Atonement' will be lit in diocesan cathedrals and churches on the Day of Prayer, and thereafter during the celebration of Mass and other liturgies. The lighting of the 'Candle of Atonement' is based on the very moving Penitential Rite composed and prayed by Pope Francis at the final Mass of the 9th World Meeting of Families on August 26, 2018, at Phoenix Park, Dublin, when the Holy Father implored the Lord's mercy for the crimes of abuse and asked for forgiveness.

READERS CAN VIEW THE FULLER EDITION OF THIS NEWSLETTER IN COLOUR ON THE CLONDALKIN PARISH WEBSITE : www.clondalkinparish.com

Village Church



Sunday 11th February

6.30pm Vigil Patricia Whelan (6th An)
Anthony & Mary Murphy (An)

10.30am Mercie Conaghan (1st An)
James McDonagh (Rem)
Michael Laney (An)

12noon Sheila Barry (An)
James Larkin (An)
Paddy Brady (MM)

Monday 12th February

10.00am Jean Roberts (Birthday Rem)

Tuesday 13th February

10.00am John McDonagh (3rd An)

Wednesday 14th February

10.00am Harry Byrne (Birthday Rem)

Friday 16th February

10.00am Peadar Kinane (Birthday Rem)

Saturday 17th February

10.00am Mary Josephine Maguire (An)

Sunday 18th February

6.30pm Vigil Nora McHugh (An) and
Thomas McHugh (An)
Hugh O'Daly (An)
Sean & Bunnie Stynes (An)

10.30am James Tynan (Month's Mind)
Belinda & James Fitzsimons (An)
Mary MacConalogue
Jack & Mary Finlay (Rem)
Mary Kinsella (1st An)

12noon Maisie & Tom Delaney (An)
Agnes Nixon (An) and
Carmel Robinson (Recently Dec'd)

CHILDREN'S LITURGY THIS LENT

We invite your child/children to the Children's Liturgy this Lent once again and we are very excited to see you on Sundays at 12 pm Mass.

Children's Liturgy Team:

Eilish O'Leary, Catherine Flynn &
John Kearney.

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES IN PARISH PASTORAL CENTRE

Monday

The Monday Club

(after 10am Mass & Rosary)

Recovery Self-Help Method Meeting

8.00pm

LOCALISE Youth Volunteering

Leader: Cat Scanlon

7.00-8.00pm - during school term

(new members always welcome)

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

GODLY PLAY for the children preparing for the Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion

GP sessions will take place on Tuesdays from 2.45 pm – 3.45 pm in the Parish Centre (PLEASE NOTE NEW TIMES!)

The dates are as follows:

Tuesday 20th February	Theme: The Mystery of Easter
Tuesday 27th February	Theme: Faces of Easter
Tuesday 5th March	Theme: Faces of Easter
Tuesday 12th March	Theme: Faces of Easter

Godly Play Team:

Rosemary Lavelle, Fiona Minogue and
Saule Cameron PPW.

WEDNESDAY HOSPITALITY

We are looking forward to welcoming you to the Parish Centre on Wednesday, 21st of February, after the morning Mass!



FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

Wednesday 14th February **Ash Wednesday**
Saturday 17th February **St. Fintan of Clonenagh, Abbot**
The Seven Founders of The Order of Servites, Religious

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

LENTEN TRAINING FOR CLONDALKIN PARISH PARTNERSHIP

Dear Ministers of the Eucharist, we invite you to the training on **Monday, 19th of February at 7.30 pm** in the Village Parish Centre (room upstairs).

We look forward seeing you ALL!

If you are new to this Ministry but considering to be part of it, please join us as well.

Parish Team



RECENTLY DECEASED

**SADIE COURTNEY
COLETTE MURPHY**

May They Rest in Peace

The annual collection for **Accord Dublin**, the Catholic Marriage Care Service, will be taken up at all Masses next weekend, 17th/18th February. It replaces the Share collection on the day.



CHURCH CLEANING MINISTRY

Can you share some of your precious time with the Parish community by becoming part of a new team? We all would like to see our Parish Church cleaned regularly and to take pride in how it is maintained. Please consider this invitation.

**For more information, contact the Parish Office
01-459 3520**

More information on **VOLUNTARY MINISTRY MATTERS** will be shared soon.



World Day of the Sick Sunday 11th February

Sunday 11th is the feast day of Our Lady of Lourdes and is a day of prayer for all who are sick and those who care for and look after the sick.



Novena of Grace

4th-12th March 2024

Church of the Immaculate Conception,
New Rd, Clondalkin Village Parish Church.

Led by Fr. Bernard McGuckian S.J
10am & 7.30pm Mass and homily each day.

Also available on the Parish webcam
www.clondalkinparish.com

*The world is charged with the
grandeur of God.*

Gerard Manley Hopkins

ENDEAVOUR

We're in The Sanctuary in Stanhope Street, fuelling up for The Inbolc Pilgrimage from Stanhope Street to St. Brigid's Well Clondalkin. Will we make it. Not sure. Inspired by the stained glass in the Oratory, out we go to the meditative gardens. To my delight, Sr. Stan, at 84, sends us off with this message

"Meditation not followed by social activism is of no use." Her delivery animated us.

Our route was down the Quays, into the Phoenix Park, we passed up by Kilmainham Gaol to the Grand Canal. Then a long pull up the canal to Aras Cluaine, across to the Community Centre and then along the laneway at the back of SIAC Quarry to St. Brigid's Well.

This was a solid 10 miles and we were overjoyed to finish it.

A good crowd gathered at the Well where a brazier was lit to honour St. Brigid.

Then we plonked down in The Round Tower's Club House and all were treated to soup, lovely sandwiches, tea and coffee. Most welcome after The Pilgrimage.

Music and a talk on St. Brigid followed.

Sleep came easy that night.

Eddie



Paris Archbishop unveils celebrations for Notre Dame Cathedral reopening

Ten months before the reopening of the Cathedral of Notre Dame, Archbishop Laurent Ulrich presented the schedule for the inauguration of the French capital's Gothic masterpiece, scheduled for December 8, 2024.

The reopening period will include numerous celebrations and pilgrimages, and will extend from December 8, 2024, to June 8, 2025, the feast of Pentecost, as the universal Church follows the rhythm of the 2025 Jubilee.

The Archbishop of Paris announced the initiatives in a pastoral letter published on 2 February, inviting the faithful to celebrate the Cathedral's re-inauguration after a fire gutted it on April 15, 2019. Fifteen days before the church's reopening, a large procession will accompany the return of the image of Notre Dame to the Cathedral along the streets of Paris. Having escaped the flames, the image of the Virgin and Child, a sculptural masterpiece from the 14th century and 1.8 metres tall, has been housed at the Saint-Germain-l'Auxerrois church, facing the Louvre Palace. The reopening itself will begin with a triduum that incorporates the official inauguration on the evening of December 7. The event will include the handover of Notre-Dame from the state owner to the Catholic Church; the awakening of the organ; liturgical celebration with blessing; a Magnificat or a Te Deum, and then Vespers.

DAY OF PRAYER FOR TEMPERANCE

Sunday 11th February

Compassionate Lord and Saviour,
you inspired the Capuchin Friar Theobald Mathew
to show your compassionate face to those addicted
and burdened by the abuse of alcohol or addicted
behavior, and to promote temperance.
May we today, continue to serve our brothers and sisters
with love and joy,
And to foster balance and moderation in our life styles
with the help of God.
So, we pray, "here goes in the name of God."
Amen.

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Apostle of Temperance Father Mathew
(1790-1856) was a Capuchin friar from Tipperary
whose 19th century crusade against the abuse of
alcohol gained him the title of "Apostle of
Temperance". Father Mathew's call to sobriety has
relevance to modern Ireland. The cost to the nation
by way of human suffering, abstention from work,
criminality and social upheaval is inestimable.