



Clondalkin Village Parish

Immaculate Conception of the BVM & St. Killian

Clonburris ☩ Knockmitten

Parish Newsletter

Sunday 4th February 2024

**5th Sunday
of
Ordinary
Time**

Living life purposefully

In Mark's Gospel, the beginning of the public ministry of Jesus is presented as one of great healings. Jesus cures people who are sick and possessed by devils. In this Sunday's reading we see the whole town crowding round the door of the house Jesus was staying in eager to be cured of their ailments and afflictions. Jesus heals many of them. It must have been an amazing sight and quite some evening in that town.

After the inevitable clamour and chaos of the evening before, Jesus rises early the following morning and heads off to a lonely place to pray. He needs some quiet time to himself, to pray, to recollect and to prepare for what lay ahead. Jesus is full of determination. There is a purpose to his life. When the disciples catch up with him, they set off on their mission with Jesus preaching in the towns and villages of Galilee and continuing to bring healing to the people.

What I like about this Gospel passage is the image of Jesus beginning his day with prayer. Jesus takes some quiet time to focus and prepare for the day. It's something that we could usefully try to imitate in our own lives. Our days can so often be busy and filled with activities that we have little time to think or reflect. Spending a few minutes at the beginning of the day with the Lord, asking him to help us, guide us and be with us throughout the day can make such a difference. It reminds us that in faithfully going about our daily duties we are tasked with the responsibility of proclaiming the message of Jesus and, through our words and actions, making his love visible to all those we encounter during the day.

St. Brigid, whose feast day we have just marked, is a wonderful example of a faithful Christian disciple. In her monastic foundations, Brigid recognised the importance and value of daily prayer. In the many stories about Brigid, we see her trust in God's providence. In her care and compassion for the poor, Brigid ministered the healing grace of Jesus to them. In the story about the dying chieftain and Brigid using the rushes from the floor to make a cross, we see the desire of Brigid to bring the Good News to others, even those on their death bed.

Every day provides us with new opportunities to live as disciples of Jesus. Inspired by St. Brigid and the other great saints of Ireland, may we too live life purposefully and be the face of Christ in the world today.

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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PARISH SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

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



CONFIRMATION CONNECT

A gathering in the **Village Church** on **Tuesday 20th February** (time to be confirmed).

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**

First PARISH PARENT TALK (PPT)
Zoom meeting on Reconciliation - **Wednesday 7th February** at 7pm & 8pm.

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

Second PPT Zoom meeting on Reconciliation (Choices) - **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



RECENTLY DECEASED

ESTHER DELANEY

MARIAN CAMPBELL

May They Rest in Peace



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

The line is open every day from 10am to 10pm
Freephone: 1800 80 45 91.

A charity that brings friendship and social opportunities to older people, especially those who live alone. Its volunteers visit people in their homes in the Greater Dublin area.



25 Bolton Street
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Phone: +353 (0) 1 873 1855
Email: info@friendsoftheelderly.ie

SOCIETY OF SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL

The St. Vincent De Paul Foodbank is now in its sixth year.

Based in Bawnogue, we distribute food parcels weekly to families in the Clondalkin parishes of The Immaculate Conception, Clonburris, Knockmitten, Bawnogue, Deansrath and Srulleen. We provide support with essential food and household items.

We are appealing for your help and your donations will enable us to continue our work in supporting the needy families in our Parish.

**You can contact me, Helen Byrne,
on 087-1787270.
Thank you**

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CLONDALKIN PARISH WEBSITE : www.clondalkinparish.com**

Village Church



Sunday 4th February

6.30pm Vigil John Lynch (An)
Anne, (An) & Jimmy O'Brien (An)
Anne Jnr O'Brien (10th An)
Sadie Boylan, Charlie O'Keefe (RD)

9.00am Lily Quinn (An)
Eddie Redmond (An)

10.30am Jack Cosgrove (Month's Mind)
Michael & Maura Dagg (An)
Mary O'Reilly (Rem)
Vincent & Bobbie Norton (An)
Jim Minogue (An)
John Quinlan (11th An)
Gerard Doyle (Birthday Rem)
Luke Kelly (40th An Rem)

12noon Eamonn Boyce (4th An)
Michael & Katie Gleeson and
Willie Jenkins (Rem)
John Power (5th An)

Monday 5th February

10.00am Michael & Matthew Dwyer (An)

Tuesday 6th February

10.00am Kathleen Mucha (16th An)

Saturday 10th February

10.00am Margaret (Rita) Stapleton
(Month's Mind)

Sunday 11th February

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

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

12noon Sheila Barry (An)
James Larkin (An)

MORNING

The year's at the spring
And day's at the morn;
Morning's at seven;
The hillside's dew-pearled;
The lark's on the wing;
The snail's on the thorn:
God's in his heaven--
All's right with the world.

Robert Browning

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

Bank Holiday – Monday 5th February

Mass at 10am only

Prayer for our Deceased Loved Ones

Dear God, with faith and hope I pray for the eternal welfare and well being of my deceased loved ones, especially . . . (*here mention names.*) Raise them up to the fullness of new life, and bring them to the company and perfection of Your Saints, to enjoy everlasting rest and peace in Your presence. May Christ, the Good Shepherd, bring my beloved deceased safely home to You, and may they be happily reunited with family, relatives and friends who have gone before them into the Heavenly paradise.

Grant comfort, strength and consolation to all who grieve and mourn as we await our eternal reward, to be home again with You and those we have loved in this life, and into the life to come. Amen.

(www.DominicanFriars.org)

ST BRIGID'S RELIC, KILDARE

We're on the train to Kildare buzzing to visit the Relic of St. Brigid in St. Brigid's Church, in Kildare town. A steady flow of pilgrims are there and what a lovely atmosphere of inclusivity is enveloping us. A knowledgeable pilgrim gives us the story of the relic, preserved in Lumiar, a district in Lisbon city, where veneration is still alive. A lovely garden graces the altar surround.

Off you go, visit the relic in the Church, then include a mini pilgrimage to that wonderful St. Brigid's Well and magnificently resonant Bronze Statue of St. Brigid holding the eternal flame. Then, say a prayer with the Brigidine Nuns in Solas Bríde on your walk back and revisit the Relic in gratitude. Don't miss the recreated Book of Kildare in The Tourist Office in the centre of Kildare town.

Now, there's a cracker!! *Eddie*



THE PRIORY INSTITUTE



At this time of the year people may be thinking about finally taking the plunge, challenging themselves to try something new. We in the Priory Institute are proud to offer online annual summer schools and free-of-charge retreats during the year but our main enterprise over the past 20 years is the provision of internationally recognised academic courses in theology. Our courses offer people the chance to study theology from home in their own time, attain formal qualifications and to be part of a supportive student community.

Study Theology Online, is this for you?

The Priory Institute provides online Theology courses to degree level. Attend Saturday lectures in Tallaght or from the comfort of your own home.

Register before February 14.

Find out more on our website www.prioryinstitute.com.

TAP & GO

The Tap & Go machine at the back of the Church, near the Parish shop, is a simple, secure and safe way to donate to the Mass collections if you don't carry cash and wish to use your card. *Thank you*

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

Monday 5th February

St. Agatha, Virgin & Martyr

Tuesday 6th February

St. Paul Miki & Companions, Martyrs

Wednesday 7th February

St. Mel of Ardagh, Bishop

Thursday 8th February

St. Jerome Emiliani, Priest

St. Josephine Bakhita, Virgin

Saturday 10th February

St. Scholastica, Virgin

Are you caring for a loved one at home with additional needs? A spouse, partner, child, close relative or neighbour? Then you are a family carer! Become a member of Family Carers Ireland, the national charity supporting Ireland's 500,000+ family carers nationwide.

Contact 057 93 70221 and hear how we can support you or for more info

visit www.familycarers.ie.

