

CLONDALKIN PARISH

Clondalkin Village - Knockmitten - Clonburriss

Parish Newsletter - Sunday 19th May 2024

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



SYMBOLS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

When we think of, experience or pray to the Holy Spirit, we tend to use a variety of images and symbols to help us imagine the invisible Holy Spirit and be more aware of His presence and activity in our lives. All the many symbols of the Holy Spirit come from the Bible. Among the best known are water, wind, fire, and a dove.

Water signifies birth and life. It is vital for all life. In Baptism it represents the cleansing and life-giving action of the Holy Spirit. Scripture is full of instances where water symbolises the Spirit. Jesus promised the Spirit as living water to the Samaritan woman he encountered at the well saying: "The water that I will give will become a spring of water gushing up to eternal life". Paul in Romans 5:5 speaks of "the love of God poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit". Water, with cloud, speaks of the presence of God's Spirit in the world directing, moving, breathing, pouring out and blessing.

Scripture likens the Spirit to the wind. The original Hebrew and Greek words for wind is "ruah." Today's reading from Acts describes the sudden rush of a violent wind that came from heaven and filled the house where the friends of Jesus were gathered. "All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit".

Fire symbolises the transforming energy of the actions of the Holy Spirit. John the Baptist proclaimed Jesus as the one who will baptise with the Holy Spirit and with fire. Jesus himself said that he came to cast fire on the earth. The fire of Pentecost reminds us of the burning bush on Mount Sinai from which God spoke to Moses. During the Exodus, the people of God were led by a pillar of fire at night. Like the wind, fire reminds us of the strength and force of the Holy Spirit.

One of the most common symbols of the Holy Spirit is the dove. In the Old Testament it was the dove that signalled the end of the flood. At his baptism Jesus saw "the Spirit, like a dove, descending on him (Mark 1:10). The dove is a symbol of love, peace and purity. Saint Teresa of Avila wrote "The Holy Spirit comes like a gentle dove, bringing peace and a sense of God's loving presence".

Psalm to the Wind of Heaven

O wind that blows when and where it will, teach me to reverence the Wind of Heaven.
Open me up to the mysterious Breath of God.
Wind of Inspiration, Creative Spirit of God, teach me not to forget that you come always as gift.
May I ever be sensitive to your gentle breezes and willing to soar with your wild winds.

(Prayers for a Planetary Pilgrim)

Sr. Anne

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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

Clonburriss
Sunday: 11am

Village Church



Sunday 19th May

6.30pm Vigil Patrick Denton (10th An),
Annie Denton (Birthday Rem),
Monica Gavin (Birthday Rem)
Anne Marie Fitzgerald (Months Mind)

10.30am Mary MacConalogue
Jack & Mary Finlay (Rem)
Emma Curran (An)
Kathleen Bourke (Month's Mind)
and Christopher Bourke (Rem)
James Tynan (Birthday Rem)

12noon Bill McDonnell (An)
Brendan Fitzpatrick (1st An) and
deceased members of the
Fitzpatrick and McKenna families

2.00pm Mass for the African community
on Pentecost Sunday

Monday 20th May

10.00am Joseph Cleary (An)

Tuesday 21st May

10.00am Dr Brandon Rooney (An)

Thursday 23rd May

10.00am Maura Taylor (1st An)

Friday 24th May

7.30am Elizabeth Beatley (1st An)
10.00am James & Kathleen Connolly (An)

Saturday 25th May

10.00am Lilian, Christopher and
Brendan Behan (An)

Sunday 26th May - Trinity Sunday

6.30pm Vigil Kathleen Gallagher (An)
James Gallagher (Rem)
Gretta Gallagher (Rem)
Kathleen Nolan (Rem)
Patrick Kelly (Rem)
Bernard Duffy (Rem)
Frank Andrews (Rem)

9.00am Thomas Quinn (An)

12noon Stephen Sweeney (1st An)
Breda Walsh (Month's Mind)



Rosary for Peace

For the month of May, the Rosary will be prayed every evening at St. Brigid's Well, honouring Our Lady and praying for peace in the world and healing for all those suffering due to war. Please join us at St. Brigid's Well, Clondalkin, at 7.00pm each evening.

ALL ARE WELCOME

SUNDAY CHILDREN'S LITURGY

We will be inviting your dear Children back on the following dates:

May 19th, 26th and June 2nd.

If you would like to join our Children's Liturgy Team, please talk to us on those Sundays!

No experience is needed, training is provided and for all of us, we are learning in the process. We would like to grow just as our children are growing!

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

Monday 20th May

**The Blessed Virgin Mary,
Mother of the Church**

Tuesday 21st May

**St. Christopher Magallanes,
Priest, and Companions,
Martyrs**

Wednesday 22nd May

St. Rita of Cassia, Religious

Saturday 25th May

**St. Bede the Venerable, Priest
and Doctor of the Church**

St. Gregory VII, Pope

**St. Mary Magdalene de Pazzi,
Virgin**

PENTECOST CELEBRATION Sunday, 19th of May

We invite ALL to attend the **12pm Mass** wearing your national costumes if possible!

World Flags Procession.
Prayers of the Faithful will be read in different native languages.



RECENTLY DECEASED

TONY MARTIN
ANNE MARIE PEDRESCHI
MAX O'CONNOR

May They Rest in Peace

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



CONFIRMATION

WEDNESDAY 22ND MAY - Scoil Áine at 11am

WEDNESDAY 22ND MAY - Scoil Íde at 1pm

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

SATURDAY 25TH MAY - Scoil Aine at 10am

SATURDAY 25TH MAY - Scoil Ide at 12pm

Dear Parents/Guardians of the Confirmation Children,

We are reaching out to you with an invitation to **20/20 prayer room**.

Monday 20th and Monday 27th May
at **20:00 hours for 20 mins only!**

We will email you the Zoom link on the day.

DISCLAIMER: No preparations needed, you can stay off your camera - just come and spend few quiet moments relaxing in prayer and allowing our Loving God to take care of you.

A few members of the Sacramental Preparation Team will be waiting for you.

Sacramental Preparation Team

St Rita of Cascia (1386 – 1457) Feast Day 22nd May

Born at Roccaporena, near Spoleto, in Umbria, Italy, Rita wished in childhood to become a nun, but out of respect for her parents wishes she married Paolo Mancini, a quick-tempered man with many enemies, who was notoriously violent and unfaithful. They had two sons. Rita endured insults and infidelity for eighteen years till one day Paolo was brought home dead after being murdered in a revenge-killing.

In 1407, Rita, then a widow, wanted to enter the Augustinian convent at Cascia, but the nuns refused, fearing her husband's family and their rivals.

However, Rita started a campaign of prayer which resulted in her miraculous entry. During the night, when the doors to the monastery were locked and the sisters were asleep, her patron saints Saint John the Baptist, Saint Augustine, and Saint Nicholas of Tolentino appeared to her and miraculously transported her inside the convent. When the nuns found her inside the convent in the morning and heard how she entered, they felt they could not turn her away. Rita remained there, living by the Augustinian Rule, and giving herself to intense meditation on the passion of Jesus until her death. Rita's last years found her confined to bed as an invalid and she died of tuberculosis in 1457.

PARISH OF CLONDALKIN

PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES - JUNE 2024

A reminder to those who expressed their interest in participating in the Pilgrimage that paperwork and payments need to be finalised at this time.

Any queries relating to the Pilgrimage, please contact Joe at 087 682 0338

Building Hope

Period of Prayer, Reflection & Planning 12th – 20th May 2024

Including a Novena to the Holy Spirit for the renewal of the Church in the Archdiocese of Dublin

Beginning on the Feast of the Ascension (Sunday 12th May), through the Feast of Pentecost (Sunday 19th May), ending on the Feast of Mary, Mother of the Church (Monday 20th May).

BUILDING HOPE PRAYER

Pilgrim God, we give you thanks and praise.

You constantly journey with us even in our darkness and doubts.

We seek your way of loving kindness to walk together as one family.

Open our eyes to recognize you in the faces of one another, in the breaking of bread and in the splendour of creation.

May the risen Christ sow seeds of hope and new life deep within us.

May our hearts and minds be filled with your Word, bringing forth truth, justice and peace.

May the Holy Spirit working in and through us do much more than we can dare to imagine as we live out our baptismal calling in humble and loving service.

We make this our prayer through Christ Our Lord.

Amen

Mary, Mother of the Church, pray for us.

St. Laurence O'Toole, pray for us.

St. Kevin, pray for us.

St. Brigid, pray for us.



Archdiocese of Dublin
Ard Deoise Átha Cliath

All Ireland Rosary Rally at Knock Shrine Saturday, June 1st 2024

Join thousands of people from around Ireland and beyond for the All Ireland Rosary Rally on June 1st. The day begins at 9.30am with a Conference in St. John's Centre. Speakers include Fr Brendan Kilcoyne, Fr Joseph Mary Deane CFR, and Sr Ana Margarita



Lanzas SCTJM. Then there is a chance to meet over 20 apostolates from around Ireland in St. John's Centre from 11.30am. The keynote speaker, Mother Adela Galindo, is coming from Miami, Florida, and she will speak in the Basilica at 1pm.

The Stations of the Cross will be outside from 2pm, followed by the Rosary procession. Mass will commence at 3pm in the Basilica and will include the anointing of the sick.

Bishop Phonsie Cullinan will be the Main Celebrant. Dana will join the choir to sing. There will also be Rosary and Scapular making workshops in the marquee.

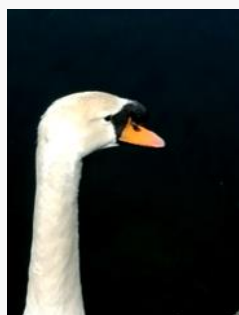
Over 50 buses are going from around Ireland. See www.allirelandrosaryrally.com for more details.

MAY COLOURS

Red, white, purple, orange, white, a wonderful sweep of colour in a gently sloping herbaceous border in The Botanic Gardens. But, look!! They are under-pinned by various coloured Wallflowers. And Oh Boy!! The scent just wafts past you.

Nurse a coffee in the panoramic Restaurant and soak up all the colourful array. Don't miss the Lilac bush nearby. Meanwhile on a ramble from Suir Road to Mount Street on a balmy Summer's day, the Swan poised to perfection and there was Patrick Kavanagh musing on his bench.

Enjoy. *Eddie*



The Church Gate
Collection on
May 18th & 19th
is in aid of CASA – Caring And Sharing
Association.



CASA is a volunteer led organisation developing friendships between volunteers and adults and children with physical, intellectual and sensory disabilities through Social Events, Activities and Lourdes Pilgrimages. All our activities are in a one-to-one pairing, lending strength and support to all that we do, enabling people to get the most out of everything that they do with CASA.

The collection this weekend is in aid of all our activities including our Lourdes Pilgrimage for many adults and children with a disability together with many sick and terminally ill people.

Please support our collection.

Thank you.

VOLUNTARY MINISTRY WEEKEND

**Saturday, May 25th and
Sunday, May 26th 2024, at Mass times**

Through Baptism, "each one of you has received a special grace, so, like good stewards responsible for all these varied graces of God, put it at the service of others" (1 Peter 4:10)

What gifts do you have to build up our parish?

In parish, voluntary ministries are the most common. These are undertaken by people working in a voluntary capacity (without payment) in the parish. It is a very important way in which people can live out their baptismal call and their full, active, conscious participation in parish life. It is not to be viewed as a secondary or lesser ministry or simply "being involved" or "helping out".

(Voluntary Ministry Matters Parish Guidebook)

YOU can make a difference

All Are Welcome!