

CLONDALKIN PARISH

Clondalkin Village - Knockmitten - Clonburris

Parish Newsletter - 20th April 2025

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THREE EASTER SEEKERS

All four gospels tell of women coming to the tomb of Jesus early in the morning after the Jewish Sabbath wanting to honour the body of Jesus by anointing. Women not only give life they also protect it.

John's Gospel puts the spotlight on one woman, Mary Magdalene. She came early on the first day of the week while it was still dark. The darkness of the early morning reflected the darkness of her grieving. She had stood by the cross and witnessed his hasty burial. She wanted to care for the body of her beloved friend.

What she saw when she reached the tomb shattered her. The stone at the entrance had been rolled away. The tomb was empty. Her natural reaction was that Jesus' body had been stolen. She ran to tell Peter and John: "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb and we do not know where they have put him"

Her running to two of Jesus' friends was totally understandable. When we are given unexpected news our first thought is to share it with people we trust. Mary ran from the tomb. Peter and John ran to the tomb. Running can be a sign of great emotion. Mary ran out of fear, confusion and distress. Peter and John ran hoping it was all a big mistake on Mary's part. They did not understand Jesus when he said he would rise from the dead.

When they reached the tomb one searcher saw an empty tomb and the "linen wrappings lying there". The other saw that Jesus had passed through death into new life and believed.

In this Resurrection scene there are three forms of searching: LOVE searching for presence, INTIMACY searching for meaning and FAILURE searching for forgiveness. Each searcher was needed. Without Mary, Peter and John would not have discovered the empty tomb. Without John, the Beloved disciple, the meaning of the empty tomb would not be understood. Without Peter who earlier denied Jesus, forgiveness would have no meaning.

Mary returns to the place of death and meets the Risen Jesus, who called her by her name and sent her to spread the Good News of Easter:

"The Lord is risen, Alleluia! He is truly risen, Alleluia!"

Sr. Anne

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Mass Times and Services

Clondalkin Village

Sunday: Saturday Vigil 6.30pm
Sunday 9am (in Irish), 10.15am & 12 noon
Weekdays: Monday to Friday 7.30am & 10am
Saturday 10am
Confessions: Saturday 10.30am to 11am

Knockmitten

Sunday: 11.30am
Weekdays: Mon, Wed & Fri - Liturgy of the Word at 10am

Clonburris

Sunday: 10.45am

Village Church



Sunday 20th April - Easter Sunday

- 9.00am** Theresa & Paddy Greene and deceased of Green & Lynsey families
- 10.15am** Mary McConalogue (Rem)
Maire Ryan (6th Ann)
Bredan Foley
Caroline Foley
Bill & Molly Dennis and deceased of Dennis family
- 12 noon** Liam Callaghan (Ann)
Michael Delaney (53rd Ann)
Christopher Sargent (Ann)
Kathleen Dempsey (Ann)
Denis Whelan (Ann)

Monday 21st April

- 10.00am** Bernard Brown (Rem)

Tuesday 22nd April

- 10.00am** Jack Finlay (Ann)

Wednesday 23rd April

- 10.00am** Rose Plunkett (B'day Rem)

Thursday 24th April

- 10.00am** Martha Glynn (Ann)

Friday 25th April

- 10.00am** Margaret Tuomey (Month's Mind)

Saturday 26th April

- 10.00am** Patrick Ryder (14th Ann)



RECENTLY DECEASED

Clare O'Callaghan
Kathleen (Lollie) Ryan
Doreen Grant

May They Rest in Peace

Easter Offerings

Envelopes for Easter Offerings are available on the tables in the Church.
Your support is appreciated. Thank you.

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



**"Do not abandon yourselves to despair.
We are the Easter people
and hallelujah is our song."**

Saint John Paul II

SUNDAY 20th April 2025

Easter Sunday - Year C

FIRST READING

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles 10:34, 37-43
We have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Responsorial Psalm Ps 117
This day was made by the Lord; we rejoice and are glad.

SECOND READING

A reading from St. Paul's letter to the Colossians 3:1-4
You must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is.

GOSPEL

A reading from the Gospel according to John 20:1-9
He must rise from the dead.

OPENING THE BIBLE

An Introductory Course on Zoom for those Who Wish to Know More, and those Unsure Where to Begin...

The Bible is one of the most significant set of texts ever compiled. Yet, for many - believers and non-believers alike - it remains a mystery. Many have heard key stories from its many rich narratives, but little else. Nevertheless, many find themselves curious about the Bible, its content, and origins... but where to begin ...

This course is aimed at those who want to take that extra step and ask: **what is it all really about?**

We hope that the six presentations prepared by Tarsus Scripture school will help you open the Bible and begin reading in your own time.

1. A General Overview (*Séan Goan*)
2. Exodus & Exile (*Jessie Rodgers*)
3. Poets and Prophecy (*Jessie Rodgers*).
4. St. Paul (*Fr. Kieran O'Mahony*)
5. The Gospels (*Fr. Kieran O'Mahony*.)
6. The Bible in the Life of the Church (*Séan Goan*)

**THURSDAYS, 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th of May
& 5th of June 2025**

TIME: 8 - 9 pm each evening

Facilitators: Sr. Anne Nevin – Presentation Sister & Saule Cameron – Parish Pastoral Worker

Please register with us by email if you wish to join:
saule.cameron@dublindiocese.ie or call 085 8750995

Weekday Mass in Easter Week

Mass will be celebrated at 10am each day, Monday 21st to Saturday 26th April, in the Village Church.

DUBLIN DIOCESAN PASTORAL COUNCIL

Congratulations to Aine Nolan from Knockmitten who has been selected as a member of the newly formed Diocesan Pastoral Council. Aine, along with the other members, will be commissioned at Mass in the Pro-Cathedral on Sunday 18th May. We wish Aine every blessing in her new role and pray for the success of the work of the Diocesan Pastoral Council.

Godly Play for Children of all ages!

We invite children for the last three Godly Play afternoon sessions this school term.

Dates: Tuesdays 6th, 13th and 20th May.

Time: Straight after school until 3.45pm.

Place: Parish Centre (to the right of the main entrance door to the church)

Story we will share: Knowing Jesus in a new way

Facilitators: Fiona Minogue, Rosemary Lavelle and Saule Cameron

Please note that we will ask you to fill in a Parental Consent form on your arrival.

We look forward to seeing you!

Children's Music Ministry

We are inviting children to join this exciting group for practices on Mondays straight after school until 3.45pm during the school term. All are welcome.

Leaders: Pauline Devaney and Saule Cameron

Dates for your Diary

Training for Ministers of the Eucharist (existing and new) will take place on Tuesday 13th May at 7.30pm.

Training for Ministers of the Word (existing and new) will take place on Tuesday 20th May at 7.30pm.

Clondalkin COPD Support Group

Announcing a new community-based exercise programme for people living with COPD. The classes are free of charge and also offer a social gathering where individuals can meet others who have a lived experience of COPD. Classes every Monday at 11am in Rowlagh Community Centre. Contact Katie in COPD Support Ireland on 083 086 4118 or email support@copd.ie for details and to book your place.

Jubilee 2025

Father in heaven,
may the faith you have given us
in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother,
and the flame of charity
enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit,
reawaken in us the blessed hope
for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us
into tireless cultivators
of the seeds of the Gospel.
May those seeds transform from within
both humanity and the whole cosmos
in the sure expectation
of a new heaven and a new earth,
when, with the powers of Evil vanquished,
your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us,
Pilgrims of Hope,
a yearning for the treasures of heaven.
May that same grace
spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer
throughout the earth.
To you our God, eternally blessed,
be glory and praise for ever.
Amen.



Clondalkin Parish Voluntary Ministry

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Ministry of the Word (Readers) & Ministry of the Eucharist (Distribution of Holy Communion)

If you think you would like to join one or both ministries, we would love to hear from you.

Please contact us by phone at the Parish Office on **01-4593520**

Or email office@clondalkinparish.com or knockmittenchurchcommunity@gmail.com

Or leave your details with any of your church team members.

Thank you.