

CLONDALKIN PARISH

Clondalkin Village - Knockmitten - Clonburris

Parish Newsletter 6th July 2025

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

14th Sunday
of
Ordinary
Time

A FEW THOUGHTS ABOUT TODAY'S GOSPEL

A great spiritual teacher gave this advice to one of her students: "Confess your hidden faults. Approach what you find repulsive. Help those you think you cannot help. Anything you are attached to, let it go. Go to places that scare you." That should be enough to scare the wits out of anyone – and a very good thing too, if you are presuming to help people! There is nothing so abhorrent as the 'missionary' who has developed the style of a persuasive salesman. It is a good thing to go out trembling. Among other things, it shows humility and respect.

Every follower of Christ is called to proclaim the Kingdom of God. Even reluctant followers. To the man who was making excuses for not following, Jesus said, "Go and proclaim the Kingdom of God" (Lk 9:60). A little earlier Luke had described the sending out of the Twelve. But the instructions Jesus gave to the Twelve (in chapter 9) and to the Seventy-Two (in chapter 10) are practically the same. From this we are to understand that every Christian is an apostle - a word that means 'sent'. If you feel like a lamb among wolves, that's the way you should expect to feel: it is written in the gospels.

You could say that in our time the parable of the lost sheep is reversed: there is one lone sheep in the sheepfold and the ninety-nine are lost. Moreover, most of the shepherds spend their time looking after the one sheep. There is a feeling of security about this, but it is fed by fear, not by faith. Not many of the shepherds are going to places that scare them. The last betrayal is when they attack anyone who does.

What sort of qualifications do you need for going out to others? Do you need a diploma in catechetics? No; not one of the Seventy-Two had a diploma of any kind - nor did any of the Twelve. Jesus himself had no diplomas or degrees. But what you have to have is love. If you love genuinely, you are a missionary: you are going out of yourself. If you go out to even one stranger you are, in a way, going out "to the whole world." And if you go out to an enemy, you are standing on the highest peak of the Christian life.

But what do I say, what do I do? Here is a word of advice from Dorothy Day, who co-founded the Catholic Worker movement: "We do what we can, and the whole field of all the Works of Mercy is open to us. There is a saying, 'Do what you are doing.' If you are a student, study, prepare, in order to give to others, and keep alive in yourself the vision of a new social order. All work, whether building, increasing food production, running credit unions, working in factories which produce for true human needs, working the smallest of industries, the handicrafts - all these things come under the heading of the Works of Mercy, which are the opposite of the works of war."

Fr. Donagh O'Shea OP

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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 6th July

6.30pm Vigil Paul Bradshaw (An)
Jack O'Reilly (An)
Annie Denton (An)
Patrick Denton (Birthday Rem)
Monica Gavin (Rem)
Patrick Koza (5th An)
Matthew Kania (25th An)

9.00am John & Gertie Finn (Rem) also remembering deceased family, friends & parishioners

10.15am Terence & Gerard Doyle (An)
Fr. Tommy Hughes (30th An)

12 noon Reena Lawlor (8th An)
Joseph Moloney (19th An)

Monday 7th July

10.00am Jose Luis Delgado (An)

Tuesday 8th July

10.00am Eddie Holohan (Birthday Rem)

Wednesday 9th July

7.30am Maria-Elena and deceased members of the family

10.00am Matthew Fitzsimons (An)

Thursday 10th July

10.00am Geraldine Corrigan (An)

Friday 11th July

10.00am Rita O'Sullivan (An)

Sunday 13th July

10.15am Baby Cillian Roche (1st An)
Deceased members of the Mulhare and O'Daly families

12 noon Clare Daly (6th An)
Gary Daly (3rd An)
Nora Gordon (4th An)
Bill Caddle (An)

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen

SUNDAY, 6th July 2025

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C

Today's Readings

FIRST READING

**A reading from the book of the Prophet
Isaiah 66:10-14**

Towards her I send flowing peace, like a river.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Responsorial Psalm Ps 65

Cry out with joy to God all the earth.

SECOND READING

**A reading from the second letter of St Paul to
the Galatians 6:14-18**

The marks on my body are those of the Lord Jesus.

GOSPEL

**A reading from the Gospel according to
Luke 10:1-12. 17-20**

Your peace will go and rest on that man.

QUOTES FROM ST. BENEDICT (c. 480-547)

He who labours as he prays lifts his heart to God with his hands.

Be careful to be gentle, lest in removing the rust, you break the whole instrument.

Prayer ought to be short and pure, unless it be prolonged by the inspiration of Divine grace.



Recently Deceased

**PAT O'DOHERTY
NOREEN LILLEY**

May They Rest in Peace

There will be Adoration of the
Blessed Sacrament on
Thursday evenings from
**7.30 to 8.30pm in the
Village Church.**



DUBLIN DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2025

You can support the pilgrimage to Lourdes by becoming an Associate Member. Your donations help to send sick pilgrims to Our Lady's Shrine at Lourdes. Names of donors are placed at the Grotto and are included in all Masses and ceremonies celebrated during the pilgrimage which takes place this year from 4th to 9th September.

If you wish to become an Associate Member, please leave your name and your donation in the Parish Shop.



FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

<i>Monday 7th July</i>	St. Maelruain, Bishop & Abbot
<i>Tuesday 8th July</i>	St. Kilian, Bishop & Martyr
<i>Wednesday 9th July</i>	St. Augustine Zhao Rong, Priest and Companions, Martyrs
<i>Friday 11th July</i>	St. Benedict, Abbot



St. Vincent de Paul Monthly Church Gate collections will take place this Sunday, 6th July, at Knockmitten Church and next Sunday, 13th July, at the Village Church.

"As you get older, three things happen. The first is your memory goes, and I can't remember the other two." Norman Wisdom

ST. KILIAN OF WURZBURG, GERMANY FEAST DAY : 8TH JULY

Kilian was born in Mullagh, Co. Cavan, c. 640. He travelled to eastern Franconia and Thuringia along with eleven companions and having preached the Gospel in Wutzburg, he succeeded in converting the local lord, Duke Gozbert, to Christianity. Kilian told the Duke that he was in violation of sacred scripture by being married to his brother's widow. Upon hearing this, the widow ordered that he be beheaded along with his two companions. He was martyred with fellow monks, Colman and Totnan at Wurzburg, Germany, in 689. The New Testament belonging to Kilian was preserved in the Cathedral of the Saviour until 1803, when it was removed and placed in the University Library in Wurzburg. Following in the footsteps of Kilian, some six hundred Irish monks went to preach and live in Bavaria from the seventh to the ninth century.



PRAYER

Thank you, Lord, for the courage and missionary spirit of Kilian and his companions.
Give us zeal to seek first your kingdom and to go forth with faith in your guidance, to live the Gospel with courage.
Amen.

(Taken from "Favourite Celtic Saints - A Simple Book of Prayers" by Neal Carlin)

ALL WELCOME TO CELEBRATE 'HOPE' ON IRELAND'S HOLY MOUNTAIN OF CROAGH PATRICK

This year's Reek Sunday falls on 27 July, and thousands of pilgrims of all ages – from across the island and from abroad – are expected to scale the 765 metres (2,520ft) of Ireland's 'Holy Mountain', Croagh Patrick, situated just outside of Westport, Co Mayo, in the Archdiocese of Tuam. The theme of Reek Sunday 2025 is 'Christian Hope', and this annual pilgrimage will continue the 1,600 year-old tradition of people scaling Croagh Patrick to gather as a community of faith, to pray and participate in the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession), and the Sacrament of the Eucharist (Mass) at the summit.

Administrator of Westport parish, Father John Kenny, said, "I am delighted that the three-and-a-half year undertaking to restore the 'Pilgrims Path' section of Croagh Patrick has been completed since last year. As Reek Sunday is the largest annual gathering on the mountain, it is essential that Reek Sunday pilgrims – and indeed all pilgrims – play their part in respecting the mountain. In this context I am highlighting that we all have a responsibility to share in the protection of the mountain's fragile ecosystem, and I encourage all climbers to stay on the Pilgrim's Path. This request is made in the interest of the safety of climbers themselves, to preserve the mountain's habitat, and to sustain this special pilgrimage for future generations. As in previous years, I strongly advise pilgrims to prepare fully for this challenging climb, and I invite priests to join with me to minister sacraments on Croagh Patrick during Reek Sunday," Father Kenny said.

(Taken from theway.ie)

BLESSING OF GRAVES

The annual Mass and Blessing of Graves in Newlands Cemetery will take place on **Sunday 13th July at 3pm.**

All are welcome.

DUBLIN DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2025

Volunteer Helper – Are you interested in volunteering?

The pilgrimage would not be possible except for the wonderful helpers who give their time and dedication to the pilgrimage. The volunteers are collectively known as the

Dublin Hospitalité and comprise of the following:

Handmaids – the name given to female volunteers;

Brancardier – translates to stretcher-bearer and is the name given to male volunteers; Nurses; Doctors and members of the Dublin Lourdes Choir.

The role of the Handmaid and Brancardier is multifunctional – to make the Sick Pilgrims' stay in Lourdes as comfortable, meaningful and as enjoyable as possible. To volunteer you do not need any special skills or knowledge. All duties are based around assisting the Sick Pilgrims, such as helping them at mealtimes, assisting them to and from Ceremonies and Processions, tending to their rooms, talking and listening to them and organising and sharing parties in the Accueil. They also assist and accompany the sick to the Baths, visits to the Grotto, on shopping trips and to the picnics. Our helpers also assist in stewarding during processions and ceremonies in the Sanctuary. Working with the Pilgrimage brings a two-fold reward – the joy of seeing the sick pilgrims experience Lourdes and the joy of helping the sick pilgrims throughout their time there. Lourdes is a wonderful place, full of love, sharing and caring. Here friendships are made in a moment and last a lifetime.

If you are interested in volunteering please contact the Pilgrimage Office for further information.

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Archdiocese of Dublin
Ard Deoise Átha Cliath

PATHWAYS : Exploring Faith and Ministry

This two-year course is aimed at adults of all ages looking to explore and grow their faith through inputs and small group sharing. Especially for members of PPCs and those in parish ministry.

Thursday evenings from 7.15pm to 9.15pm
25th September 2025 to 14th May 2026

DCU St. Patrick's Campus, Drumcondra Road
Upper, Dublin 9

For more information please visit

www.missionministry.ie/pathways
or contact peter.siney@dublindiocese.ie

This is a just a reminder to anyone who might be interested, that we still have some places on the Pathways course. Further details can be found on our website under Adult Faith & Pastoral Councils. Places are filling up quickly.

Summer Offerings

As in previous years the Archbishop again invites parishioners to make an offering in support of the priests of the Diocese at some stage over the Summer months.

Envelopes are available on the tables in the Church.

Thank you.



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

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 10.00-12.30
- Neart Le Chéile Thurs 10.00-3.00
- Neilstown Church Mon-Wed 10.00-3.30
- Quarryvale Community and Youth Centre Mon-Fri 11.00-3.00
- Ronanstown Youth Service Tues 10.00-12.00

To register for food or for any other information, please email manager@quarryvalefrc.ie or call 085 202 0300 during normal office hours.

IF YOU NEED SUPPORT OR KNOW OF SOMEONE WHO DOES, PLEASE DO NOT HESITATE TO EMAIL OR CALL.

