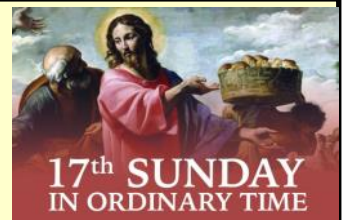


# CLONDALKIN PARISH

Clondalkin Village - Knockmitten - Clonburris

Parish Newsletter - Sunday 28th July 2024

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



## *The Loaves and Fishes*

The multiplication of the loaves and fishes is the only miracle recorded by all four gospel writers indicating its importance. It is a symbol of the Eucharist wherein Jesus shares with us himself – his Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity. There is a large crowd following Jesus, impressed by the miraculous healings that Jesus had done. The men alone counted five thousand. There were also women and children. They were up in the hills away from any village, with no shops. Even more, the apostles had no money.

Jesus asks Philip: “Where can we buy some bread for these people to eat?” Philip being from the place knew the locality well. While Jesus asks Philip from where food could be bought, Philip was busy with the how as he worked out the sums. Even two hundred denarii – that is eight months salary – would only buy enough to give them a small piece each! Instead of calculating the cost, Philip, who had witnessed the miracle of changing water into wine at Cana, could have said: “Lord, you know from where we could get enough food for this crowd. We have you. And you will provide.”

This is where the miracle begins! The small boy gives the little he has to Jesus. Jesus takes the loaves, gives thanks and distributes them to the crowd, that had already settled down on the grass. He does the same with the fish. What does this miracle teach us? It teaches us first that even when our own resources are insufficient, Jesus is all sufficient to meet the overwhelming needs of the world. All that we need to do is to give the little we have to Jesus. The first lesson is: Little is always much when placed in the hands of Jesus.

The second lesson is: To learn to share; to give not only from our abundance but even from our scarce resources.

We see further the generosity of Jesus. The crowd ate as much as they wanted. Nothing was wasted. The scraps filled twelve hampers. Twelve apostles. Twelve tribes of Israel. No one is left out. When God gives, he neither counts nor calculates. This is the third lesson. .

Where are we in this story? Do we believe in God’s providence?  
Do we possess items or do items possess us?

*Deacon Don Devaney*

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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

# Village Church



## Sunday 28th July

- 6.30pm Vigil** Noreen & Tom Ryan (An)  
Sheila Kelleher (5th An)  
Patrick Stynes (An)  
Simon Meyler (Rem)
- 9.00am** Paddy & Teresa Green
- 10.30am** Evelyn Hudson (13th An)  
Mary MacConalogue  
Mary Cashin (An)
- 12 noon** Eileen Smith (21st An)  
John McInerney (Month's Mind)  
Margaret Donohue (3rd An)

## Tuesday 30th July

- 10.00am** Micheal O'Callaghan (4th An)

## Wednesday 31st July

- 10.00am** Oswald (Ossie) Murphy (5th An)

## Friday 2nd August

- 7.30am** ) First Friday - Altar List of the  
**10.00am** ) Dead  
**7.30pm** )

## Sunday 4th August

- 6.30pm Vigil** John Talbot (Birthday Rem)
- 12 noon** Fran Green (An)  
Angela Fitzpatrick (6th An)  
Bridie & Sean Foran (An)



### RECENTLY DECEASED

**EDWARD FALLON**  
**NOEL COMPELLI**

*May They Rest in Peace*

### 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.

*Thank you for your support.*

## Sunday, 28th July

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

*Today's Readings:*

**FIRST READING: 2 Kings 4: 42-44**  
*"They will eat and have some left over"*

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

**Ps 144: 10-11, 15-18**

*"You open wide your hand, O Lord, and grant our desires"*

### SECOND READING:

**A Reading from the Letter of St. Paul to the Ephesians 4: 1-6**

*"One Body, One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism"*

### GOSPEL:

**A Reading from the holy Gospel according to John 6: 1-15**

*"Jesus gave out as much as was wanted to all who were sitting ready"*

**Bayside Alpha** are hosting Bishop Barron's 6 week film series on The Mass, starting on Sunday the 4th of August from 7:30pm to 8:30pm. This series will help you understand how to fully, consciously, and actively participate in the source and summit of the Christian life.

To join this Zoom course email Paul at [alphabayside@gmail.com](mailto:alphabayside@gmail.com)

### FIRST FRIDAY - 2<sup>nd</sup> AUGUST

Mass at 7.30am, 10am and 7.30pm.  
Anointing of the Sick will be available during the 10am and 7.30pm Masses.

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



## PARISH OFFICE

For the time being, the Parish Office is open to personal callers on

**Monday, Wednesday and Friday  
from 10am to 12 noon.**

You can leave a voicemail anytime on  
**(01) 459 3520** or email to  
**office@clondalkinparish.com**

## Clondalkin Parish

### POSITION OF PARISH SECRETARY

Clondalkin Parish (Immaculate Conception of the BVM) invites applications for the position of Parish Secretary. The role is being offered initially on a one-year fixed term and part-time basis for 20 hours per week, 9.30a.m. – 1.30p.m., Monday – Friday.

Deadline for receipt of applications is  
**Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2024.**

#### Duties include:

Managing the parish office  
Providing an administrative service in Clondalkin Parish  
Greeting members of the public and dealing with their enquiries  
Maintaining parish records  
Ordering Church supplies as required

#### Requirements:

The successful candidate will have at least 5 years administrative experience  
Up-to-date computer skills with experience in using Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, PowerPoint and Outlook)  
Good interpersonal skills and an ability to interact well with people  
Ability to communicate effectively

#### Applications:

Letters of application enclosing a Curriculum Vitae should be emailed to

**office@clondalkinparish.com**

or posted to

**The Parish Office, Church of the Immaculate Conception,  
New Road, Clondalkin, Dublin 22.**

Closing date for receipt of applications is  
**Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2024.**



NATIONAL  
**MEALS ON  
WHEELS**  
NETWORK

**We have been operating  
for over 40 years in  
Clondalkin Village and  
surrounding areas.**

All of us are volunteers. Here's how this initiative works: referrals are made by the District Nurses and meals are provided by Peamount Hospital. We deliver 2 meals and 2 deserts on Tuesdays & Thursdays (for which there is a small charge). We have 3 routes which are looked after by several volunteer groups: 1 for Tuesday and 1 for Thursday and there is also a volunteer dedicated to collecting the meals from Peamount to distribute to the 3 routes at Knockmitten Church Car Park.

Our volunteers give 1-2 hours of their time either on a Tuesday or a Thursday, 2 weeks on/2 weeks off and this is worked out between themselves.

So, with this in mind, any new volunteers would be put in touch with the Group for whichever day they are free and they would then organise their schedule with this Group.

Also, those collecting the meals from Peamount do so a month on/month off basis, again this is organised with a team of collectors.

**We look forward to hearing from you!**

**Meals on Wheels Coordinator is Helen Henry,  
Knockmitten Church.**

Please leave your name & number in the Parish Office or email to the Parish Pastoral Worker  
[saule.cameron@dublindiocese.ie](mailto:saule.cameron@dublindiocese.ie)

### FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

*Monday 29th July*

**St. Martha, St. Mary and  
St. Lazarus**

*Tuesday 30th July*

**St. Peter Chrysologus, Bishop &  
Doctor of the Church**

*Wednesday 31st July*

**St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest**

*Thursday 1st August*

**St. Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop  
and Doctor of the Church**

*Friday 2nd August*

**St. Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop  
  
St. Peter Julian Eymard, Priest**

Saints Martha, Mary, and Lazarus, you befriended Jesus as your Lord and God, and as the Son of Man, to Whom you opened your home and lives. Please pray for me, that I will also open the home of my soul so as to befriend Him Who is my God and is the Resurrection and the Life.

Saints Martha, Mary, and Lazarus, pray for me. Jesus, I trust in You.

## ST CRÓNÁN MOCHUA'S FEAST-DAY : 6<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST

The annual ecumenical service to celebrate the feast-day of **St Crónán Mochua**, founder of the early medieval monastery on the site of the Round Tower in Clondalkin, will take place on **Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> August at 8pm.**

St Crónán, who died on the 6<sup>th</sup> August 630 A.D., was a pupil of St Kevin in Glendalough and went on to found monasteries in Celbridge and Rathcoffey in county Kildare and Timahoe (Tigh Mochua) in county Laois. Members of the four parishes are invited to attend the ecumenical service in **St John's Church of Ireland Church, Tower Road, Clondalkin at 8pm** and to enjoy light refreshments afterwards in St John's school hall.

The annual Slí Chrónáin Mochua walk, commemorating the traditional medieval pilgrimage between Clondalkin and Celbridge, will this year take place on **Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> August**, commencing at 12pm at the Tobar Mochua stone, The Mill (on Main Street) in Celbridge.

Further information about the 15km walk can be found on the Clann Chrónáin Facebook page.

### A Look of Love - Jim Deeds

**26th to 29th August 2024**

Using Scripture, meditation, body and breath work, music and story, Jim will lead us to an awareness of the God whose love is infinite and unconditional, a creative path on which we can find God in the mess of our everyday lives and reconnect to our inherent goodness.

Cost: €320 residential; € 215 non-residential.



### "There's a crack in everything: that's how the light gets in" -

Sean Goan

**31st August to 5th September 2024**

To help us counter the God of the Scriptures we will use the songs of Leonard Cohen, who has inspired millions as they face the paradox of believing in a loving God while living in a broken world. During this retreat his lyrics will help us to explore prayerfully how the word of God can speak to us today offering hope and meaning in difficult times.

Cost: € 530 residential; €300 non-residential..

### Harvesting Gratitude - Carol Barry

**13th to 15th September 2024**

In light of the great Judeo-Christian tradition of Harvest Thanksgiving, a graced space is offered during these days to glean the kernels of truth and wisdom hidden in the mystery of our own daily life. This will be a time to 'ingather' i.e. to reflect, remember and recognise the grace of God at work within and around us in order to cultivate a spirit of gratitude, hope and outreach.

Cost: €280 residential; €180 non-residential.



World Day  
for Grandparents  
and the Elderly  
2024

Pope Francis established a World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly which took place for the first time on Sunday 25 July 2021.

Second time on Sunday 24 July 2022.

Third time on Sunday 23 July 2023.

The World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly will be celebrated for the fourth time in 2024 on Sunday 28 July - the Sunday closest to the **Feast of Saints Joachim and Anne**, Grandparents of Jesus.

The theme chosen by Pope Francis for this year's celebration is:

***"Do not cast me off in my old age"***  
(cf. Psalm 71:9)

### ***Pope Benedict XVI's Prayer for Grandparents***

Lord Jesus,  
you were born of the Virgin Mary,  
the daughter of Saints Joachim and Anne.  
Look with love on grandparents the world over.  
Protect them! They are a source of enrichment  
for families, for the Church and for all of society.  
Support them! As they grow older,  
may they continue to be for their families  
strong pillars of Gospel faith,  
guardians of noble domestic ideals,  
living treasuries of sound religious traditions.  
Make them teachers of wisdom and courage,  
that they may pass on to future generations the fruits  
of their mature human and spiritual experience.

Lord Jesus,  
help families and society  
to value the presence and role of grandparents.  
May they never be ignored or excluded,  
but always encounter respect and love.  
Help them to live serenely and to feel welcomed  
in all the years of life which you give them.  
Mary, Mother of all the living,  
keep grandparents constantly in your care,  
accompany them on their earthly pilgrimage,  
and by your prayers, grant that all families  
may one day be reunited in our heavenly homeland,  
where you await all humanity  
for the great embrace of life without end. Amen!

*(Written at the request of the Catholic Grandparents Association in 2008)*

### **PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK**

*Saturday 31st August*

Fare €55 per person (includes bus, tea stop and evening meal)

To book, please put your name, phone number and fare in an envelope and hand into the Parish Office or Sacristy for the attention of Kathleen Ryder.