

CLONDALKIN PARISH

Clondalkin Village - Knockmitten - Clonburriss

Parish Newsletter - Sunday 11th August 2024

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

19th Sunday
of
Ordinary
Time

REFLECTIONS ON JOHN 6

Chapter 6 in John's Gospel begins with the multiplication of the loaves by Jesus and his walking on the water. These two events echo similar events in the Old Testament during the Exodus from Egypt when God sent manna to the hungry Israelites in the desert and Moses led them walking dryshod through the sea.

The story of the young boy who produced the few barley loaves that fed five thousand people is a reminder of the poor widow in the time of the prophet Elisha, who lost everything she possessed and had nothing in the house only one small jar of oil. Following instructions from the prophet she collected empty jars and filled them till the oil stopped flowing (2Kings4: 1-7).

Such events make one wonder what happened to those people for whom miracles were worked. Did the miracles change their lives? Did they become believers?

John indicates that those for whom the bread was multiplied saw no profound significance beyond that it was a good way to get a free meal. Jesus, suspecting the same, declared that he was the true Bread from heaven, sent by the Father to give a heavenly bread that people would eat and never be hungry again. In 4:14 Jesus spoke to the Samaritan woman of his ability to give water that people would drink and never be thirsty again and here in 6:51 we have Jesus completing the picture by offering himself as eternal food and drink.

"I am the living bread come down from heaven. Whoever eats this bread will live forever". Like the people in the desert who refused to believe Moses who was God's spokesman, the crowd reject, "murmur against" Jesus, who called God his Father.

"We know his father and mother. How can he say, "I have come down from heaven?"

There are times when we forget that it is the Father who draws us towards his Son, God who comes to us through his Son. Jesus is both the Bread and the Word of God who shared his life with us before we ever knew him.

Chapter 6 ends with a profound question. After the long discourse on Jesus as the bread of life many found this teaching too hard to accept and walked away in disbelief. Jesus asked his disciples: "Will you also go away?"

The answer to that question rests with each one of us.

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 11th August

6.30pm Vigil Paul Bradshaw (Birthday Rem)
Shane Bradshaw (Birthday Rem)
Maura Millist (19th An)

10.30am Mary Tope (Month's Mind)
Jean Roberts (An)
Liam Heffernan Snr. (An)
Lyndsey Comer (An)
Ruby Tighe (An)
Thomas & Mary Forde & Family (An)

12.00 noon Sean O'Shea (1st An)

Thursday 15th August - Feast of the Assumption
of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Sunday 18th August

9.00am Richard Allen (RIP)

10.15am Mary MacConalogue
Jack & Mary Finlay (Rem)
Mary Minogue (Birthday Rem)
Edwardo Soon (Recently Deceased)

12 noon Margaret Robinson (1st An)

THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY - 15th August

Wednesday 14th:
Vigil Mass in the Village Church at 7.30pm.

Thursday 15th:
Mass in the Village Church at 7.30am and 10am.
Mass in Knockmitten at 11am.
Mass in Clonburriss at 11am, evening Mass at 6.30pm.



RECENTLY DECEASED
Gerard O'Brien
Michael (Mick) McConnell
Brenda Aughney

May They Rest in Peace

Sunday, 11th August 2024

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today's Readings:

FIRST READING:

A reading from the first Book of Kings 19:4-8
*Strengthened by the food he walked until he reached the
mountain of God.*

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Ps 33:2-9 Taste and see that the Lord is good.

SECOND READING:

**A reading from the letter of St Paul to the
Ephesians 4:30 – 5:2**
Follow Christ by loving as he loved you.

GOSPEL:

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to
John 6: 41-51**
I am the living bread which has come down from heaven.

NEW MASS SCHEDULE

**The new Sunday Mass schedule will come
into effect next weekend on
Sunday 18th August.**

The 10.30am Mass in the Village will change
to **10.15am**

The 11am Mass in Clonburriss will change to
10.45am

The 11am Mass in Knockmitten will change to
11.30am

The remaining Masses in the Village (Saturday
vigil at 6.30pm, 9am in Irish and 12 noon)
continue at their current times.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

The monthly collection for The Immaculate
Conception Branch of St Vincent de Paul
Society, Clondalkin, will take place at the
Village Church after all Masses this
Weekend, **10th and 11th August**

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

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

Monday 12th August	St. Attracta of Killaraght, Virgin St. Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious St. Lelia of Killeely, Virgin St. Muredach of Killala, Bishop
Tuesday 13th August	St. Fachtna, Bishop St. Pontian, Pope and St. Hippolytus, Priest - Martyrs
Thursday 15th August	The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Friday 16th August	St. Stephen of Hungary
Saturday 17th August	Our Lady of Knock

PRIORY INSTITUTE

2024 Online Summer School – Seeking, Serving and Sharing Christ in a Synodal Church: The course consists of eight recorded presentations and three Zoom meetings and is delivered by Fr Peter O’Kane. There will be an introductory Zoom meeting on **19 August**. There are four presentations each week and they will become available each day, so on Tuesday 20th August there will be access to one recording and on Wednesday access to two recordings and so on. Participants can watch the lectures whenever suits them, and revisit lectures they have already viewed. At 7pm on the Monday of the following week there will be a live Zoom discussion with Peter.

Full details at <https://prioryinstitute.com/events/new-event>

MORNING / EVENING ADORATION ON THURSDAYS

Join us for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament **every Thursday after the 10am Mass till 11.30am** and from **7.30pm to 8.30pm.**

We look forward seeing you



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

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.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS FOR NURSING HOMES

We would like to ask you to consider becoming a Minister of the Eucharist for a Nursing Home. The Parish's small team of Ministers for Nursing Homes would like to grow to make sure that the residents of both Nursing Homes

Lexington House and Clondalkin Lodge can receive Holy Communion on a weekly basis. Training will be provided and visits on Saturday or Sunday will be on a Rota basis.

Please leave your details in the Parish Office.

We thank you in advance

Are you looking for food for the mind and oxygen for the soul in the company of fellow travellers? Join the Adult Education Certificate in Spirituality and Human Development Programme.



It is open for applications now. For more information, please see the following website www.mie.ie/spirituality. If you are interested, please contact Mary at mary.gao@mie.ie; or 087 450 8549.

REACHING UP

Immersed in the gymnastics of Simone Biles and Rhys McClenaghan and absorbed by the fickle wind moving through the Sally trees in the Round Tower garden all fronting up to the challenge, all reaching up to that rarified, intangible place of growth, those tiny sparkling differences - "I will, I can, I will, I can - I knew I could, I knew I could" - what shining lights and beacons of hope they are. Interested? Google Nurmi and Zatopek, their sparkles became bonfires!!!.

We are blessed and awed.

Eddie

NIGHT BLESSING

*Bless to us, O God,
The moon that is above us,
The earth that is beneath us,
The friends who are around us,
Your image deep within us,
The rest which is before us. Amen*

(Iona Community)

ST. ATTRACTA (ADHRACT) (5th century) Feast Day 12th August

Though no very reliable records of her life remain, Attracta is reputed to have been a contemporary of St Patrick, to whom she made her profession in Coolavin near Lough Gara in south Co Sligo. St Patrick is said to have founded a convent there and appointed Attracta its first abbess. Her convent had a reputation for hospitality and charity to the poor. The convent was actually situated in what is now the old cemetery at Killaraght between Monasteraden and Boyle. It is in the parish of Gurteen, Co Sligo, and there are historical references to it from the 5th century down to 1594. As well as the village of Killaraght, numerous other places in the area were named after Attracta. A healing well with her name survives at Clogher, Monasteraden which has a reputation for special powers against warts and rickets and a "pattern" is held there every year on her feast day. Along with St Nathy, St Attracta is the co-patron of the diocese of Achonry.

(Taken from Catholicireland.net/SaintoftheDay)

CHILDREN'S MUSIC MINISTRY

This is a shout out to the adults to join our Children's Music Ministry Team!

You may play an instrument or teach music, or you may have experience of working with children (Third/Fourth class), or you might share a few hours a week to help us to set up practices/Sunday Mass space and to manage "Welcome"/saying "Goodbye".

Whatever is your gift or time availability, please talk to us if this is something you would be able to do.

We hope to start this special Ministry in the beginning of September here in the Village Church but we cannot do it on our own.

We look forward to hearing from you!

Pauline Devaney & Saule Cameron (Pastoral Worker).

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 for your support.



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



Afternoon Tea on Wednesday 28th August at 3pm in The Laurels.

Music by Willie Joyce and local vocals.

Admission: €5



Come and bring your friends !

Mary Dardís

Strive not to be a success but rather to be of value. Albert Einstein