

CLONDALKIN PARISH

Clondalkin Village - Knockmitten - Clonburris

Parish Newsletter - Sunday 18th August 2024

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

20th Sunday
of
Ordinary
Time

Jesus, the Bread of Life

Irish medal success in the 2024 Olympic Games has been one of the big news stories of the past week.

There were great crowds and joyous scenes in Dublin last Monday at the official homecoming for Team Ireland. All kinds of records were broken in Paris and it was the most successful Olympic Games ever for Irish athletes on so many levels. All our Olympic participants are a great testament to the success that commitment and dedication can achieve. Our Olympians have worked long and hard and made many necessary sacrifices over the years to attain their goal. They all deserve our most heartfelt congratulations. Their success has given a tremendous lift and enlivened the spirit of the country. No doubt it will inspire many young people to new efforts in pursuing their dreams and realising their potential in the sporting arena.

All athletes have their pre and post event routines. Looking at the events in Paris over the past few weeks it is remarkable to see how many athletes engage in religious gestures before and after their events or reference God in their comments and interviews. For some there is an easy recognition and acknowledgement of how God has blessed them with a significant sporting ability or talent and they have no hesitation in saying this.

In the Gospel today, Jesus reminds us that he is the living bread that nourishes the soul. He is the one who answers the deepest longings and desires of every human heart. Jesus clearly differentiates between what he is offering in himself as the living bread and what the world has to offer. The nourishment the world offers is transient and temporary whereas the bread that Jesus offers is life-transforming and eternal.

St. Paul clearly recognised this truth. In writing to Timothy, Paul adopts the sporting imagery to make his point. He writes "I have fought the good fight to the end; I have run the race to the finish; I have kept the faith; all there is to come now is the crown of righteousness reserved for me." (2Tim 4:7-8). Paul invites us to live with commitment as we run the race of life, striving for the ultimate 'gold medal' for Christians which is eternal life with God in heaven. Let us allow Jesus to help us and nourish us in our efforts to attain this goal by welcoming him often as he comes to us as the living bread in Holy Communion.

Fr. Kieran Coghlan

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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 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)
Breda Ging (20th An)

Tuesday 20th August

- 7.30am** Special Intention
- 10.00am** Elizabeth Whelan (An)

Wednesday 21st August

- 10.00am** Special Intention

Thursday 22nd August

- 10.00am** Mary Butler (Recently Deceased)

Sunday 25th August

- 6.30pm Vigil** Shane Bradshaw (An)
- 10.15am** Peter McCabe (An)
May Craven (An)
Mary Kinsella (Birthday Rem)
- 12 noon** Vincent Lernihan (34th An)
Michael Hynes & Aileen Hynes (An)
John Raftery (2nd An)
John McDonagh (Rem)
Sandra Gordon-Furlong (2nd An)
Maisie O'Connor (1st An)
Kathleen Grace (An)

Sunday, 18th August 2024

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today's Readings:

FIRST READING:

A reading from the Book of Proverbs 9:1-6
Eat my bread, drink the wine I have prepared for you.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Ps 33:2-3. 10-15
Taste and see that the Lord is good.

SECOND READING:

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Ephesians 5:15-20
Recognise what is the will of the Lord.

GOSPEL:

A reading from the Gospel according to John 6:51-58

For my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink.

NEW MASS SCHEDULE

The new Sunday Mass schedule comes into effect today *Sunday 18th August*

The 10.30am Mass in the Village changes to **10.15am**

The 11am Mass in Clonburrish changes to **10.45am**

The 11am Mass in Knockmitten changes 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.

RECENTLY DECEASED



P.J. O'Donnell
Carmel Waters
Mary Conheady

May They Rest in Peace

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



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

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

<i>Monday 19th August</i>	St. John Eudes, Priest
<i>Tuesday 20th August</i>	St. Bernard, Abbot & Doctor of the Church
<i>Wednesday 21st August</i>	St. Pius X, Pope
<i>Thursday 22nd August</i>	The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
<i>Friday 23rd August</i>	St. Eugene of Ardstraw, Bishop
	St. Rose of Lima, Virgin

St. Rose of Lima (1586 - 1617) *Feast Day 23rd August*

Rose was born in Lima, Peru and named Isabel De Flores Y Del Oliva on 20 April, 1586. Her family was poor, and hoped that Isabel, growing into an extremely attractive young woman, would marry well and assist the family. From childhood Isabel was nicknamed Rose for her looks and rosy cheeks, she was more taken up with the religious world than the secular. Rose took a vow of chastity and modelled herself on Dominican St Catherine, devoting herself to a life of self-denial. Despite the ridicule of friends and family, she continued to practice extreme forms of religious observance. She fasted and became a vegetarian, mortifying her flesh with hard work and going so far as to rub lye or lime into her hands, pepper on her face and skewer her head with a long pin instead of the roses her mother put there. She wanted to turn attention away from her own beauty and focus it on God. It took her many years of prayer, fasting, hard work and secret penances before her family reluctantly agreed to let her become a member of the Third Order of St Dominic, taking vows of poverty, at twenty. She moved out of her family home into a small grotto built on their property, where she continued to devote herself to the care of the poor and infirm. Rose gladly offered up her suffering, atoning for the idolatry of her country, for the conversion of sinners, and for the souls in purgatory. Following her death at thirty-one, she was buried in the cemetery of the Dominican convent. Later, as a number of miracles were attributed to her, her remains were moved to the church of San Domingo, where she was laid to rest in a special chapel. Rose of Lima was beatified by Pope Clement IX in 1667 and canonised in 1671 by Clement X, the first canonised saint of the Western hemisphere.



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.



An Associated College of Trinity College Dublin, the University of Dublin

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.

Saint Bernadette's relics to visit every Diocese this autumn

In September and October this year, the relics of Saint Bernadette will journey on pilgrimage to Ireland for the very first time, visiting every Diocese in the country. This very special, once-in-lifetime event will provide an opportunity for people of all ages and backgrounds to experience the special gifts and charisms of Lourdes in their diocese.



During the thirteenth apparition, the Virgin Mary asked of Bernadette, "Go and tell the priests to build a chapel here and that people should come in procession." Bernadette thus became the Virgin Mary's missionary, passing on her request to Father Peyramale, the parish priest of Lourdes. Today, the Sanctuary of Our Lady of Lourdes wants to respond to this request in a new way. The visitation of the holy relics is an opportunity to have Lourdes come to your diocese so that we can all experience the pilgrimage in Lourdes at home in Ireland.

The tour runs from 4 September to 5 November 2024

(Taken from CatholicNews.ie)

BERNADETTE'S PRAYER

"O Jesus, give me I pray ... the bread of humility, the bread of obedience, the bread of charity, the bread of strength to break my will, and make it one with yours, the bread of patience to bear the pain my heart endures, the bread to see you and you alone in all things and always!"



The Irish Cancer Society is seeking compassionate volunteer drivers in our community. Your time can help to continue the vital service of providing transport for patients attending cancer treatment appointments.

If you have a few hours to spare, a valid Driving License, and a safe, reliable vehicle, you're the perfect candidate to make a significant difference. Your generosity can ease the journey for many during a challenging time, offering comfort and support when it's needed most.

For more information and to become a volunteer driver, please contact Monica at volunteer@irishcancer.ie

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.



Wednesday Hospitality

We invite you to join us for a cup of tea and a chat in the Parish Centre on **Wednesday 21st August** after the 10am Mass and Rosary.

We look forward to seeing you!



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

Music by Willie Joyce and local vocals.

Admission: €10 which includes the raffle



Come and bring your friends!

Mary Dardis