

CLONDALKIN PARISH

Clondalkin Village - Knockmitten - Clonburris

Parish Newsletter - Sunday 8th September 2024

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

23rd Sunday
of
Ordinary
Time

THE HEALING TOUCH OF GOD

The healing of a man who was deaf and had an impediment in his speech was the first miracle performed by Jesus in pagan territory.

Cut off from life, in a silent, lonely world of his own, this man was incapable of making a request to Jesus.

But he had the support of others who begged Jesus to help him.

Jesus, full of compassion for him, took him aside away from the crowd. By putting his finger into the man's ears and touching his tongue with spittle Jesus let him know that he was about to heal his deafness and his speech. Then looking up to heaven in a gesture of prayer to his Father, Jesus said:

“Be Opened”.

Immediately the man could hear and speak properly.

There are actions worth noticing in this story. The man was healed because people brought him to Jesus and asked Jesus to cure him.

Who do you bring to Jesus in prayer for healing or a blessing? Some people need to be brought because, like the man in today's Gospel, they are unable to hear and experience the Good News that God loves and cares for them. Their faith is weak or maybe they have no faith.

Will you be the Jesus person who will take them aside and gently touch them through your prayer and example?

With a simple gesture of the hand Jesus restored the man's hearing and speech giving him a whole new life. Actions can speak louder than words. A phone call, a friendly visit, a greeting card, are little miracles that can give new life to people who are lonely and isolated.

Jesus took the man aside to a quiet place, away from the noisy crowd, where he could be alone with him and heal him. Quiet times spent with Jesus are healing times for soul and body.

The man in today's Gospel is nameless. He represents all of us. When we were baptised the priest prayed over our ears and mouth: “The Lord Jesus made the deaf hear and the dumb speak. May he soon touch your ears to receive his word and your mouth to proclaim his faith to the praise and glory of God the

Father. Amen.

Jesus said : “ Be opened “ (Mark 7: 34)

“Lord open my lips and my mouth will declare your praise.”

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 8th September

- 6.30pm Vigil** Brenda Aughney (Month's Mind)
- 9.00am** Theresa Green (Rem)
Carmel Thorpe (An)
- 10.15am** Patrick McCabe (An)
Christopher Doyle (An)
Florrie Colman (An)
P.J. Minogue (An)
Ellen Minogue (An)
Salvacion Rosadio (Birthday Rem)
- 12.00 noon** Andrew Doyle (An)
Kathleen O'Neill (Birthday Rem)
P.J. O'Donnell (Month's Mind)
Carmel Waters (Month's Mind)

Monday 9th September

- 7.30am** Vincent & Karen Kells (Rem)
10.00am Marija-Elena (RD)

Tuesday 10th September

- 10.00am** Ena Foran (Month's Mind) also
husband Sean and son David (R.I.P.)

Wednesday 11th September

- 10.00am** Hans Will (An)

Thursday 12th September

- 7.30am** Peadar Kinane (25th An)
10.00am Eddie Holohan (32nd An)

Sunday 15th September

- 6.30pm Vigil** Cyril Murphy (An)
Greta Gallagher (6th An), Patrick Kelly (4th An)
Kathleen Nolan (5th An), Bernard Duffy (Rem)
James Gallagher (Rem), Frank Andrews (Rem)
Kathleen Gallagher (Rem)
- 10.15am** Willie Cashin (An)
Terence McDermott (An)
Evelyn Jones (An)
- 12 noon** Niamh McDonnell (An)
Una Sweeney (5th An)
Eileen & Gerry Nolan (An)
Michael Fitzgerald (An)
Billy Nolan (An)

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Today's Readings:

FIRST READING:

**A reading from the book of the
Prophet Isaiah 35:4-7**
*The ears of the deaf unsealed, and the tongues of the
dumb sing for joy.*

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Responsorial Psalm Ps 145:7-10

My soul, give praise to the Lord.

SECOND READING:

A reading from the letter of St James 2:1-5
*It was the poor that God chose to be the heirs to the
kingdom.*

GOSPEL:

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to
Mark 7:31-37**

He makes the deaf hear and the dumb speak.

LECTIO DIVINA GROUP (Sacred Scripture reading)

The Lectio Divina group welcomes you all back
after Summer! Meetings take place **every
Tuesday morning** in the Parish Centre after the
10am Mass & Rosary. Sr. Anne leads the group
in a prayerful reflection on the coming Sunday's
Mass readings and there is always a cup of tea
or coffee at the beginning.

All Are Welcome!



**Adoration of the Blessed
Sacrament every Thursday
from 7.30pm to 8.30pm**

*If anyone would like to join the team responsible for
preparing for Adoration, please speak to one of us at
the end of the Holy Hour or leave your name and con-
tact details in the Parish Office. Thank you*

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



First Holy Communion and Confirmation 2025

We invite parents to register their children with the parish for these Sacraments. Registration is online through the parish website, www.clondalkinparish.com

Registration opens on Sunday 8th September and closes on Friday 27th September 2024.



The annual collection for Crosscare, the social care agency of the Archdiocese of Dublin, will be taken up at all Masses **next weekend**, 14th/15th September. It replaces the usual Share collection.

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

Monday 9th Sept	St. Ciaran of Clonmacnoise, Abbot
Tuesday 10th Sept	St. Peter Claver, Priest
Thursday 12th Sept	St. Ailbe, Bishop The Most Holy Name of Mary
Friday 13th Sept	St. John Chrysostom, Bishop & Doctor of the Church
Saturday 14th Sept	The Exaltation of The Holy Cross



The monthly collection for The Immaculate Conception Branch of St Vincent de Paul Society, Clondalkin, will take place **this weekend** after all Masses.

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



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

RECENTLY DECEASED



**Christian Barry
Charles Connell
Christopher Kane**

May They Rest in Peace

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 name and contact details in the Parish Office or email to office@clondalkinparish.com

We thank you in advance



Be part of the St Bernadette Relic Pilgrimage in Inchicore this Autumn

In September and October this year, the relics of St Bernadette of Lourdes 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.

The Oblate parish of Mary Immaculate and the Oblate Lourdes Pilgrimage are honoured to welcome the Relics of Saint Bernadette to Inchicore from the 23rd of October -25th of October. All events will take place at the Oblate Parish of Mary Immaculate and adjacent Grotto in Inchicore, Tyrconnell Road, Dublin 8.

The triennial theme for **World Suicide Prevention Day** for 2024-2026 is "Changing the Narrative on Suicide" with the call to action "Start the Conversation". This theme aims to raise awareness about the importance of reducing stigma and encouraging open conversations to prevent suicides. Changing the narrative on suicide is about transforming how we perceive this complex issue and shifting from a culture of silence and stigma to one of openness, understanding, and support. The call to action encourages everyone to start the conversation on suicide and suicide prevention. Every conversation, no matter how small, contributes to a supportive and understanding society. By initiating these vital conversations, we can break down barriers, raise awareness, and create better cultures of support. This theme also emphasizes the need to prioritize suicide prevention and mental health in policy making, calling for government action. Changing the narrative requires advocating for policies that prioritize mental health, increase access to care, and provide support for those in need.



CHILDREN'S MUSIC MINISTRY

Dear Parents/Guardians of 3rd, 4th & 5th Class children

We are delighted to invite your children to join the **Children's Music Ministry in the Village Church.**

Please email us to enrol your child/children: saule.cameron@dublindiocese.ie

Practices will take place on **Mondays from 2.45 to 3.45pm** with the aim of singing at the 10.15am Mass on Sundays twice a month.

We are still looking for **Adult Leaders** to support this initiative. Please email us if you would like to join our team! (Garda Vetting is compulsory)

We look forward to hearing from you!

CHILDREN'S MUSIC MINISTRY LEADERS

Pauline Devaney & Saule Cameron (Pastoral Worker)

GIVE BLOOD
Green Isle Hotel, Clondalkin
Wed 11th & Thurs 12th September
3.45pm to 8pm
Check your eligibility at
www.giveblood.ie

Clondalkin Adult Morning Education C.A.M.E.

Monastery Road, Clondalkin, Dublin 22

Course details for September to November:
 Mobile: 086 7703445. Email: came@ddletb.ie

Registration for classes will take place each morning in C.A.M.E. from 10-12, week commencing 9th September 2024.

BLACKBERRY PICKING

Dessert before lunch on Watery Lane at the bus stop, Heaneyesque
 The eloquent tingle of the first blackberry on the tongue.

"Late August given heavy rain and sun for a full week, the blackberries would ripen. At first just one, a glossy purple clot among others, red, green hard as a knot. You are that first one and its flesh was sweet like thickened Summer wine, Summer's blood was in it leaving stains upon the tongue and lust for picking....."

(Seamus Heaney 1939-2013)

Eddie

