

# CLONDALKIN PARISH

Clondalkin Village - Knockmitten - Clonburris

Parish Newsletter - Sunday 6th October 2024

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

27<sup>th</sup> Sunday  
of  
Ordinary  
Time

## JESUS' TEACHING ON DIVORCE IN MARK 10

To-day's Gospel presents Jesus' radical teaching on marriage and divorce. The positive ideal he sets forth is that husband and wife become "one flesh". The fulfilment of that ideal means no divorce.

Jesus' radical teaching must be placed in the context of first century Palestine. The world of Jesus was very much a patriarchal society. Marriages were arranged between the bride's father and the groom and his father. It was a legal arrangement and a man's prerogative. Most Jews took divorce for granted. One school of thought regarded sexual misconduct on the woman's part as a reason while another school said "Even if she spoiled his dinner or found another younger or more attractive" he could divorce her.

Divorce was a controversial topic among the Pharisees who forbade women from initiating it. Aware of Jesus' compassion for the vulnerable and the exploited they question him about divorce "to catch him out". They already knew the biblical answer to the question. Moses allowed divorce because of their "hardness of heart".

Jesus appeals to two texts from Genesis that express God's original plan for men and women: "no longer two but one flesh" and "what God has joined together, let no man separate". From this divine ideal Jesus draws the conclusion that divorce is contrary to God's plan. In a society where it was widely accepted Jesus' positive teaching about marriage and no divorce went against custom and the cultural grain.

In the early church there was both acceptance of Jesus' "no divorce" teaching and exceptions introduced by Paul and Matthew to resolve problems that arose in mixed marriages and foreign culture practices where women could initiate divorce. There was no manifest concern for what we today call psychological incompatibility and marriage was not understood in sacramental terms.

Jesus' teaching on marriage and divorce was as radical in the first century as it is among Christian churches today. It remains a complex and difficult pastoral issue. Today's Gospel recalls the positive character of Jesus' teaching that husband and wife in marriage mirror God's original plan by becoming "no longer two but one flesh".

*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 6th October

**6.30pm Vigil** Benny, Ann & Des Cummins (An)  
Christopher Doyle (1st An)  
Catherine, Kitty, Shamus, James and  
Patrick Stynes

**9.00am** Sr. Catherine Maria Flynn (Rem)  
Fr. Simon O'Byrne (Rem)

**10.15am** Bridget Norton (An)  
Michael Minogue (An)  
Michael Joseph Leydon  
Philip Barret (2nd An)  
Patrick (Paddy) Murphy (Birthday  
Rem & 20th An)

**12 noon** Maura Gardiner (An)  
Mary McAuley (1st An)

### Monday 7th October

**7.30am** Special Intention  
**10.00am** Karon Kells (Birthday Rem)

### Tuesday 8th October

**10.00am** Betty Mooney (An)

### Wednesday 9th October

**10.00am** Marija-Elena (Recently Deceased)

### Thursday 10th October

**10.00am** Pdraig & Agnes Doyle (An)

### Friday 11th October

**10.00am** Bobby Rumgay (An)

### Saturday 12th October

**10.00am** Edward & Margaret Hughes (An)

### Sunday 13th October

**6.30pm Vigil** John Slattery (3rd An)  
Laura Fitzpatrick (2nd An)  
Jimmy & May O'Brien (An)  
Mark Butler (3rd An)

**10.15am** Dermot Hegarty (An)  
Marie Hegarty (Birthday Rem)  
Maura Heffernan (Birthday Rem)  
Tom Dennison (An)

**12 noon** Elizabeth West (Birthday Rem)

## Sunday, 6th October 2024

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)

*Today's Readings:*

### FIRST READING:

**A reading from the Book of Genesis 2:18-24**  
*They become one body.*

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

**Responsorial Psalm Ps 127**  
*May the Lord bless us all the days of our life.*

### SECOND READING:

**A reading from the letter to the Hebrews 2:9-11**  
*The one who sanctifies, and the ones who are  
sanctified, are of the same stock.*

### GOSPEL:

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to  
Mark 10:2-16**  
*What God has united, man must not divide.*

## SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

**A meeting for the Parents/Guardians**  
of the children who are preparing to receive  
their **First Holy Communion in 2025** will  
take place on  
**TUESDAY, 15<sup>th</sup> of October at 7.30 pm**  
in our Parish Church.

**A meeting for the Parents/Guardians**  
of the children who are preparing for  
the **Sacrament of Confirmation 2025** will  
take place on  
**WEDNESDAY, 23<sup>rd</sup> of October at 7.30 pm**  
in our Parish Church.

*We look forward to seeing you.*

**PARISH TEAM**

## PARISH OFFICE

We welcome our new Parish Secretary,  
Linda Duke, who started with us last week.

The Parish Office is open each day  
Monday to Friday from 9.30am to 12.30pm.

You can contact the Parish Office on  
(01) 459 3520 or by email at  
[office@clondalkinparish.com](mailto:office@clondalkinparish.com)

## October is the month of the Rosary

We will be praying the Rosary at 7pm each evening during October at St. Brigid's Well, Boot Road, Clondalkin to pray for Peace in the World and for Ireland and to honour Our Lady of the Rosary.

The evenings are getting darker and colder but prayer offered with a sacrifice is very effective.

*Please make the effort and come out and join us to pray. All are welcome.*

## GARDA VETTING FOR PEOPLE IN CERTAIN PARISH MINISTRIES

Garda Vetting is a requirement for particular ministries and roles within the parish, mainly those that involve working directly with children, young people and vulnerable adults.

Over the coming weeks the parish will be inviting those who require Garda Vetting to apply for and complete the Garda Vetting process.

The parish will be happy to assist people in completing the Garda Vetting process.

## Garda Vetting is required for the following Ministries / Roles:

Children's Catechists, Parish Safeguarding Representatives, Sacristans (including supervisory function), Altar Server Leaders, Children & Youth Choir Leaders, Children's Liturgy & Prayer Group Leaders, Parish Youth Club Leaders, Sacramental Preparation Leaders, Visitation Team Ministers, Lay Preachers, Parish Pilgrimage Leaders, Parish Centre Staff & Volunteers, Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist.

## ABIDE in His Love Women's Conference

15th-17th November 2024

in The Great Northern Hotel, Bundoran, Co. Donegal.

Join us for an inspiring weekend with guest speakers including Lisa Cotter (Denver, Colorado), the Nashville Dominican Sisters, Fr. Barry Braum (London), Kathleen Nichols & Celine Kelly (Magdala, Israel), Bishop Kevin Doran (Elphin), Catherine DiNuzzo (Kansas), and Fr. Joseph Mary Deane, CFR, among others.

*This conference will celebrate the beauty and dignity of women in the Church and the world today. It offers a wonderful opportunity to come together, form new friendships, be uplifted by powerful talks, and experience the transformative presence of Christ in the Eucharist. We encourage you to invite a family member or friend to join you. To register, visit and search for "Abide in His Love."*

Further information, including accommodation details, will be sent via email upon registration. [Eventbrite.ie](https://www.eventbrite.ie)



## St Jude's Foodbank, Clondalkin

We got a wonderful response to our recent food appeal and would like to send a big **"Thank You"** to all who contributed.

Soon we will be preparing for the Christmas demand and trust that we can count on your support. Again, thank you

*Helen Byrne*

Clondalkin Area President, Society St. Vincent De Paul

## INVITATION

*The Flame of Love of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Movement* IRELAND is inviting all to a RETREAT DAY in DOMINICAN RETREAT CENTRE, Tallaght, D24 on 12<sup>th</sup> Oct 2024 from 9:30 AM to 4:00 PM.

The day will include Mass, the Passing of the Flame of Love Candle Ceremony, an opportunity to learn about the Movement of Grace and prayer, with Fr. Con Doherty, MSC as our Chaplain

**To register or to request information,**  
email: [conference@flameoflove.ie](mailto:conference@flameoflove.ie)

*Suggested Donation €15 (Priests and Religious free).  
Tea / Coffee and scones will be available – please bring*

## SERIES ON ZOOM

Bayside Alpha will be hosting on Zoom, Bishop Barron's 7 week film series **'Seven Deadly Sins, Seven Lively Virtues'**, starting on Sunday 27th October at 7:30pm.

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

## FIRST SATURDAYS CONFERENCE

There will be a special First Saturdays Conference on Saturday, October 12th (10am to 4pm) in the Firgrove Hotel in Mitchelstown. Sr Lucia of Fatima explained the importance of this devotion by saying that whether there is peace or war in the world depends on the practice of this devotion. We sure live in very turbulent and troubled times. There will be Mass and four speakers: Dr Katrina Layden, Fr Jaimie Twohig, Christine O'Hara and Fr Marius O'Reilly. We will also pray the Rosary, and do the 15 minute meditation together. Bring your own lunch or eat in the hotel carvery.

For more details see [firstsaturdays.ie](https://www.firstsaturdays.ie)



## RECENTLY DECEASED

**Yvonne O'Connor  
Helen Grealy  
Edward O'Byrne  
Elizabeth Murphy**

*May They Rest in Peace*



## 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](mailto:manager@quarryvalefrc.ie) or call 085 202 0300 during normal office hours.

To donate please use our Go Fund Me page <https://www.gofundme.com/f/please-help-our-food-bank>

We welcome any other place that would like to volunteer to act as a drop-off point for donations. Just contact us and let us know.

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

## FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

Mon 7th October	Our Lady of the Rosary
Wed 9th October	St. Denis, Bishop & Companions - Martyrs St. John Henry Newman, Priest St. John Leonardi, Priest
Fri 11th October	St. Canice, Abbot St. John XXIII, Pope

## Children's Music Ministry

Dear Parents / Guardians,

We invite your children to join CMM this October! All children are welcome from 3<sup>rd</sup> Class upwards! The first practice will take place on **Monday, 7<sup>th</sup> October, 2.45-3.45pm** in the Parish Centre.

CHILDREN'S MUSIC MINISTRY LEADERS  
Pauline Devaney & Saule Cameron (Pastoral Worker)

**WE ARE STILL LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS TO JOIN OUR TEAM.**

*Please talk to us if you are interested.*

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



The sheer joy and inbuilt healing of it. Each pet is being blessed individually by Deacon Don Devaney and wished all the best. If your pet has passed away bring a photo of your much-loved pet or describe your pet to Don and he will bless your cherished memory. Then enjoy 5-star hospitality and, of course, your pets will get a treat as well.

We are really excited and looking forward to meeting you and your pets or your memory of them on **Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> October at 3pm** in the Carpark of the Church of the Immaculate Conception (the Village Church) in Clondalkin. Everyone is welcome to come along and the afternoon is totally free. God Bless. *Eddie*

