

# CLONDALKIN PARISH

Clondalkin Village - Knockmitten - Clonburris

Parish Newsletter - 19th January 2025

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

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday  
of  
Ordinary  
Time

## JUBILEE YEAR 2025 - 'PILGRIMS OF HOPE'



Jubilee Years - also known as Holy Years - began in 1300AD and occur every 25 years. Jubilee Years can be called at other times, such as the Year of Mercy in 2016. These Years, the Church explains, are years “of reconciliation between adversaries, of conversion and receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation, [...] and consequently, of solidarity, hope, justice, commitment to serve God with joy and in peace with our brothers and sisters.

The Year began from the opening of the Holy Door at St Peter’s Basilica on the 24th December 2024 and will run till the Solemnity of the Epiphany 2026. Archbishop Farrell celebrated Mass for the Solemn Opening of the Jubilee Year at St Mary’s Pro Cathedral on Sunday 29th December 2024.

We are all pilgrims on our journey towards the Lord. There are many opportunities to deepen our life of faith and relationship with God. Look out for Jubilee resources, courses and devotionals from our Diocese and the Bishops’ Conference, also the parish events or initiatives offered by the Parish Partnership.

Pope Francis is also encouraging us to rediscover the ancient practice of pilgrimage during 2025. All are invited to join our Diocesan pilgrimages to Knock in April, Lourdes in September, Jubilee of Youth in Rome, ‘Rome @ Home’ Youth weekend, make a pilgrimage to Glendalough, or visit a Jubilee church in Dublin City Centre to visit Pockets of Hope. You are invited to journey the pilgrim path of Pockets of Hope in Dublin city and reflect on the message of Hope this Jubilee Year.

See if you can find time to visit our own Jubilee Churches in the Archdiocese:  
**St Mary’s Pro Cathedral, Marlborough Street; St Andrew’s, Westland Row; Our Lady of Lourdes, Sean McDermott Street; Church of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, City Quay; St Kevin’s Parish Church, Glendalough.**

*“Hope is the sure and steadfast anchor of the soul.”* Hebrews 6: 19-20

*Saule Cameron, Parish Pastoral Worker*

### Contact Information

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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 19th January

- 6.30pm Vigil** Ciarán Carr (13th An)  
Martin Joyce (An)  
Sandra Boyne (An)
- 9.00am** Brian & Stasia Ward
- 10.15am** Mary McConalogue (Rem)  
Harry Grimes (An)  
Elsie Naughton (An)  
Josie & Joe O'Connor (An)  
James Tynan (An)  
Ita Ward  
William Corrigan Jnr (56th An)
- 12 noon** Rosemary O'Brien (8th An)  
Vera Gibney (1st An)  
Nicholas Dillon (An)  
Mary McGuinness (1st An)

## Monday 20th January

- 10.00am** Maurice O'Sullivan (Deceased)

## Tuesday 21st January

- 7.30am** Mark & Susan Heffernan (An)  
**10.00am** Sr. Mary Holohan (An)

## Wednesday 22nd January

- 7.30am** Livinus Gallagher (2nd An)  
**10.00am** Jim, Daniel, Gerry, Fran and Lily Dora (An)

## Thursday 23rd January

- 10.00am** George Mulholland (1st An)

## Friday 24th January

- 10.00am** Patrick Cahill (25th An) and Sadie Cahill (Rem)

## Sunday 26th January

- 6.30pm Vigil** Carmel Boggins (An)  
Brian Doonan (9th An)  
Marian Campbell (1st An)  
Ronnie Martin (4th An)  
Camilla Martin (Birthday Rem)
- 10.15am** Jim Minogue (An)
- 12 noon** Carole Doyle (An)  
Martin Kellegher (17th An)  
Andrew Bell (25th An)  
Sean Herity (4th An)  
Esther Delaney (1st An)  
Tommy Highland (An)

## SUNDAY, 19th JANUARY 2025

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*Today's Readings:*

### FIRST READING

**A reading from the book of the Prophet Isaiah 62:1-5**  
*The bridegroom rejoices in his bride, so will your God rejoice in you.*

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

**Ps 95: 1-3, 7-10 R/ v 3**

*Proclaim the wonders of the Lord among all the peoples.*

### SECOND READING

**A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Corinthians 12:4-11**

*There is a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit.*

### GOSPEL

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to John 2:1-11**

*This was the first of the signs given by Jesus: it was given at Cana in Galilee.*

### TAP & GO

The Tap & Go machine at the back of the Village Church, near the Parish shop, is a simple, secure and safe way to donate to the Mass collections if you don't carry cash and wish to use your card. *Thank you.*

## FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2025 CONFIRMATION 2025

Dates and times for the ongoing sacramental preparation programmes being offered by the Parish will be available shortly.

Details will be emailed directly to all parents/guardians who have registered their children for these Sacraments.



RECENTLY DECEASED

**JAMES (JIM) SEXTON**

*May He Rest in Peace*

## Prayer for Christian Unity

The annual Week of Prayer for Christian Unity takes place from 18th to 25th January.

This year the Bose Ecumenical Community in northern Italy has chosen the theme "**Do you believe this?**" (John 11:26)

This was the question posed by Jesus to Martha when he visited her home following the death of her brother Lazarus.

It was also the question that was central at the Ecumenical Council of Nicea which took place in 325, 1700 years ago this year. The Council of Nicea began the work that resulted in the formation of the Creed we use at Mass on Sundays, setting out what a Christian believes in.

## THE SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD

In his Apostolic Letter *Aperuit illis* issued September 30, 2019, Pope Francis instituted the celebration of **Sunday of the Word of God**, which is held every year on the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time.

It will be celebrated on the weekend of January 25th/26th.

*The words that I spoke to you are spirit and life.* (John 6:63)

## FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

Mon 20th January	<b>St. Fabian, Pope &amp; Martyr</b> <b>St. Sebastian, Martyr</b>
Tues 21st January	<b>St. Agnes, Virgin &amp; Martyr</b>
Wed 22nd January	<b>St. Vincent, Deacon &amp; Martyr</b>
Fri 24th January	<b>St. Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church</b>
Sat 25th January	<b>The Conversion of St. Paul, Apostle</b>

## OUR SNOWDROPS 12/1/2025

Bending down to take a photograph of the 100 year-old Snowdrops in Corky Park last Sunday on the riverbank behind the Arboretum ... "Careful, now, just an inch more, and another bit .... and ....Got it!!!"

It's all about possibilities in the present moment. And the courage to go for it with faith in the outcome and hope of a vision fulfilled. Oh!! To have a better phone.

Evidence of new growth of such an exquisite nature, there for all for the last hundred years. Thomas Merton elevates it to a superb level.

*Eddie*

## Catholic Schools Week 19th to 25th January

### Catholic Schools Week 2025 – Alive in Christ!

*"Christ is alive! He is our hope, and in a wonderful way he brings youth to our world, and everything he touches becomes young, new, full of life. The very first words, then, that I would like to say to every young Christian are these: Christ is alive and he wants you to be alive!" – Pope Francis, Christus Vivit, Section 1.*

Reflecting on the theme, Catholic schools will explore what it means to be fully alive as a human being – living life to the full in Christ.

Sensitive to the age appropriateness of the various classes and years, the theme will explore how we exist for one another in Christ, building from the wellbeing of the individual, extending the notion of true wellbeing to others, to our families and communities, and to The Other, in God. The theme will mediate on hope, the true purpose and meaning of human life, and, in the more senior years, on true freedom.

## LECTIO DIVINA

The Lectio Divina Group, led by Sr. Anne, meets each Tuesday in the Parish Centre after the 10am Mass and Rosary.



## Planned Giving Envelopes 2025

New boxes of envelopes are now available. For those contributing through the Village Church, the envelopes may be collected from the Parish Office.

For those contributing through Knockmitten and Clonburrish churches, the envelopes may be collected locally at Knockmitten and Clonburrish churches.

*Thank you to all parishioners who support the Parish in this way.*



## CHILDREN'S MUSIC MINISTRY

The Children's Music Ministry practice resumes on Mondays from **2.45** until **3.45pm** in the Village Church.

Leaders: Pauline Devaney and Saule Cameron.

**All Are Welcome!**

# seniorline

National Confidential Listening Service for Older People

**Seniorline** is a confidential listening service for older people by trained older volunteers.

Freephone  
**1800 80 45 91**

**Our lines are open every day from 10am to 10pm, 365 days a year.**

## **Separated, Divorced, Widowed Are you coping?**

Few people are able to cope alone with the pain and loneliness following the loss of a life partner. Do you find that you need more support than family and friends can provide?

Beginning Experience is a peer support group dedicated to helping those who are navigating life alone whether through death, separation or divorce. A team of trained facilitators, who are themselves widowed, separated or divorced share with you how they coped with their loss.

A Three Day Coping with Life Alone Programme will take place on: Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> January, 8<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> February 2025 (Advance Booking Essential) Carmelite Community Centre, Whitefriar Street, Dublin 2.

For further information contact Beginning Experience 086 0877379, or email: [bedublin@gmail.com](mailto:bedublin@gmail.com)

## **THANK YOU**

A sincere word of thanks from all of us in the Parish to the **Mens' Shed** for building up and taking away the Crib once again this year and to our fabulous **Church Decoration/Flower Arrangements Team** for making our Church look festive during the Advent and Christmas Season.

## **WEDNESDAY HOSPITALITY**

We invite you for a cup of tea/coffee and conversation on **Wednesday, 22nd January**, after the 10 am Mass and the Rosary prayer. All are welcome!



## **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.**

## **RETROUVAILLE**

### **You Can Help Your Marriage**



Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue ... or have you just stopped talking to each other? Does talking about it only make it worse? Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi with a long 'i') helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. There is no group therapy or group work. This programme has helped 10s of 1000s of couples experiencing difficulties in their marriage.

For confidential information about Retrouvaille, or to register for the next programme commencing via Zoom on ... **27 February to 2 March 2025**

Call or text 0788 7296983

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