

CLONDALKIN PARISH

Clondalkin Village - Knockmitten - Clonburris

Parish Newsletter - 26th January 2025

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



THE MISSION OF JESUS

In today's Gospel Luke tells us that Jesus returns to his own town of Nazareth after his Baptism in the Jordan and forty days in the desert. He enters the synagogue on the Sabbath. The scroll of the Book of Isaiah is handed to him and he reads from it:
"The spirit of the Lord has been given to me...he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor, liberty to captives, sight to the blind, freedom to the downtrodden, and to proclaim the Lord's year of favour".

Luke wants us to know that the mission of Jesus was Spirit anointed, Spirit led, Spirit empowered and Spirit fulfilled. All that Jesus said and did was connected to God and Old Testament promises. The mission of Jesus included all of life. He walked among the people teaching and healing, confirming that the power of God was with him. After his death and Resurrection he returned to the Father passing on the baton to his followers to carry on the same mission of taking God to the world:
"Go make disciples of all nations, baptising them, teaching them to follow all that I command you. I am with you always". Matt 28:19-20.

As followers of Jesus we are called to carry on his mission by recognising God's presence in our lives. God is at work in our world through us. The mission of Jesus is as relevant today as it was in Jesus' time. We continue his mission by praying for labourers for the harvest and for the lost, by loving and serving God in the people around us, by letting our light shine through acts of love and mercy, by speaking of God's love.

Invite others to believe. It is God's harvest. We are not responsible for the results of the mission. We can only do our part and do it well.

In January 2023, Pope Francis described evangelizing this way:

"It does not begin by trying to convince others but by bearing witness every day...We proclaim the Lord. We do not proclaim ourselves. We proclaim Jesus. We need to put Jesus in contact with people without convincing them but allowing the Lord to do the convincing...The Church grows by attraction".

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 26th January

- 6.30pm Vigil** Carmel Boggins (An)
Brian Doonan (9th An)
Marian Campbell (1st An)
Ronnie Martin (4th An)
Camilla Martin (Birthday Rem)
Patrick & Julia Nugent (An)
Patrick & Sheila Nugent (An)
Eugene Breslin (3rd An)
Jim McDonagh (An)
Barbara & John McDonagh (Rem)
John Raftery (Rem)
- 9.00am** Eddie Redmond (An)
- 10.15am** Jim Minogue (An)
Jack & Mary Finlay (Rem)
Deceased parishioners, family and friends
of the Travelling Community
- 12 noon** Carole Doyle (An)
Martin Kellegher (17th An)
Andrew Bell (25th An)
Sean Herity (4th An)
Esther Delaney (1st An)
Tommy Hyland (An)
Dean Cleary (7th An)
Lily Ging (An)
Mary Keane & deceased members
of the Keane family

Monday 27th January

- 10.00am** Patricia Leonard (Recently Dec'd)

Tuesday 28th January

- 7.30am** Special Intention

Wednesday 29th January

- 7.30am** Jim Minogue (An)

Friday 31st January

- 10.00am** Jack Finlay (Birthday Rem)

Saturday 1st February

- 10.00am** Special Intention

Sunday 2nd February

- 6.30pm Vigil** Kathleen Conlon (An)
Doreen Wade and the Wade family
- 9.00am** Lily Quinn (2nd An)
- 10.15am** Michael & Maura Dagg (An)
Brendan Foley (5th An)

SUNDAY, 26th January 2025

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C

Today's Readings:

FIRST READING

**A reading from the book of the
Prophet Nehemiah 2-6. 8-10**

*Ezra read from the Law of God and the people
understood what was read.*

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Responsorial Psalm Ps 18

Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life.

SECOND READING

**A reading from the second letter of St Paul to
the Corinthians 12: 12-30**

*You together are Christ's body; but each of you is a
different part.*

GOSPEL

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to
Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21**

This text is being fulfilled today.

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 this weekend,
25th & 26th January.

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



RECENTLY DECEASED

Mary Mooney

John Duggan

Anne O'Brien

May They Rest in Peace

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

Monday 27th January	St. Angela Merici, Virgin
Tuesday 28th January	St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church
Thursday 30th January	St. Aidan of Ferns, Bishop
Friday 31st January	St. John Bosco, Priest
Saturday 1st February	St. Brigid of Kildare, Abbess



CHILDREN'S MUSIC MINISTRY

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

Leaders: Pauline Devaney and Saule Cameron.

ALL ARE WELCOME!



The St. Vincent de Paul Society would like to thank all those who made donations before Christmas which are very much appreciated.

Our next monthly Church Gate collection will be held on the weekend of Saturday 8th and Sunday 9th February at the Village Church.

St. Brigid's Blessing of the House

May Brigid bless the house wherein you dwell.
Bless every fireside, every wall and door.
Bless every heart that beats beneath its roof.
Bless every hand that toils to bring it joy.
Bless every foot that walks its portals through.
May Brigid bless the house that shelters you.

LÁ FHÉILE BRÍDE

On Saturday 1st February, the feast of St. Brigid, Deacon Don will lead the annual procession from the Village Church to St. Brigid's Well on Boot Road, after 10 o'clock Mass.

In the afternoon, there will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the Church from 1.00pm until 3.00pm to pray for peace in our world.

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.

COFFEE MORNING IN ORCHARD LODGE MEETING CENTRE

A Coffee Morning will be held in aid of The Ciaran Carr Foundation on **Thursday 13th February**, in our new Senior Citizens' Centre.

We invite all members of the public to come and support it from **11.00am to 1.00pm**

Coffee Morning



Looking forward to seeing you there!

Gold Committee.

Candlemas Day

Candles can be bought in the Parish Shop in preparation for Candlemas Day on Sunday 2nd February.

Candles will be blessed during Mass on this day which is also the Feast of the Presentation of Jesus in the Temple.



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



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1800 80 45 91

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THE BODHRÁN

The bath is half full and we put in the goatskin to stretch it. Out it comes and we stretch it and tack it to our coal riddle.

Peadar Mercier (of Chieftans' fame) had started on his first bodhrán. Rattling home with cow bones from the butchers, he dreamt of tunes to play on the bones. You want to hear his son Mel in duet with Micheal Ó Súilleabháin (type in Crispy Micheal Ó Súilleabháin on YouTube). If you can cast it onto your television, better again. Jaw dropping stuff. Now, there's a great intro to St. Brigid's Festival at the end of January/early February. The Mummers are on parade in Clondalkin and in Áras Chrónáin. And boy, do they whack it out. *Eddie*



St. Angela Merici - Feast Day 27th January

St Angela Merici was born in Desenzano (Italy) about 1474; died in Brescia on 27th January 1540. She became a Franciscan tertiary and subsequently founded the Company of Saint Ursula (Ursulines). Her vision provided an alternative to the forms of religious life then available for women: members remained in their own homes, living as virgins and observing a rule she composed.

Honoured as a woman of prayer, for her evangelical way of life, for her pilgrimages, and for her creative response to the needs of women in the Church.



(Taken from catholicireland.net/saint-of-the-day)



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 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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