

# CLONDALKIN PARISH

Clondalkin Village - Knockmitten - Clonburris

Parish Newsletter - 2nd March 2025

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

8th

Sunday of  
Ordinary Time

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## *Prepare a way for the Lord*

We begin the Season of Lent this coming week. On Wednesday next we will place the ashes on our foreheads as we start our time of preparation for the great feast of Easter. This period of 40 days is a special time of grace when we are invited to open our hearts afresh to the call of being disciples of Jesus.

Lent is a penitential season. We remember that Jesus gave his life on the cross for the salvation of the world, taking upon himself the sins of all humanity for all time. In acknowledging this we become more conscious of our own personal sinfulness. During Lent we try anew to rid ourselves of the habit of sin and become more Christ-like people. The traditional penitential practices of prayer, fasting and almsgiving that are rooted in Scripture provide a good framework to help us re-order our lives in the Lenten season.

**Prayer:** In prayer we make time and space in our lives to converse with God. We listen as God speaks to us and we bring our needs to the Lord. Prayer gives us an opportunity to ponder on the wonderful love of God for us and helps us reflect on how we can live that love ourselves in our daily lives.

**Fasting:** With fasting we come to appreciate the many material things we have and enjoy. In reducing our food intake or limiting the time we give to other things and activities, we become more aware of the many people in the world who go without the things we often take for granted. We learn too how to exercise control over the material things of life rather than letting them control us and dominate our lives.

**Almsgiving:** In almsgiving we respond in all kinds of practical ways to the needs of other people around us. We can contribute financially to the work of Trócaire or some other charity of our choice. We can also give some of our time and energy as a volunteer in reaching out to others. Maybe we can do something as simple as spend a little time with an elderly neighbour or friend. Perhaps we can sit and listen to someone who needs to talk.

There are no limits to the possibilities of what we can do during Lent. Make a decision that this Lent is a time for a conversion of heart, for a turning away from sin and back to God. Whatever you decide to do is your own personal choice, but do something that makes a difference for you and that reflects your desire to live more fully the love of God and neighbour.

*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

## LECTIO DIVINA

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

## CHILDREN'S MUSIC MINISTRY

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

*Leaders: Pauline Devaney and Saule Cameron.*

*All Are Welcome!*

## CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD DURING LENT

We invite your child/children to participate at the Children's Liturgy of the Word at the 12pm Sunday Mass.

If you would like to become a Leader for this Ministry, please talk to us or the Parish Team.

*We look forward seeing you!*



The Immaculate Conception Conference of St. Vincent de Paul Society, Clondalkin, wishes to thank the congregations of Knockmitten Church and the Church of the Immaculate Conception for their support over the past year and for their ongoing support. Also, thanks to Newlands Golf Club and societies within the Club, and everybody who contributed.

All contributions are used in full, in the support of families in the community.

The monthly collection for St. Vincent de Paul Society in Clondalkin will take place on the weekends of **2nd March** (Knockmitten) and **9th March** (Church of the Immaculate Conception)

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



## LENT 2025

### Ash Wednesday – 5<sup>th</sup> March

Mass in the **Village** at 7.30am, 10am 7.30pm.

Mass in **Clonburris** at 9.30am.

Mass in **Knockmitten** at 10am.

Blessing and distribution of ashes at all Masses on the day.

Ash Wednesday is a day of fast and abstinence

Evening Mass in the Village Church at 7.30pm Monday to Friday.

Stations of the Cross in the Village Church on Fridays at 10.30am

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament every Sunday in the Village Church from 4 to 5.30pm.

### First Friday – 7<sup>th</sup> March

Mass in the Village at 7.30am, 10am and 7.30pm.

The Anointing of the Sick is available during the 10am and 7.30pm Masses for anyone who wishes to receive this Sacrament.

Church Gate collection on behalf of the Irish Pro Life Campaign will take place after all Masses this weekend, 1st/2nd March, at the Village Church.

## DAY OF PRAYER FOR TEMPERANCE

*Sunday 2nd March 2025*

**Compassionate Lord and Saviour, you inspired the Capuchin Friar, Theobald Mathew, to show your compassionate face to those addicted and burdened by the abuse of alcohol or addicted behaviour and to promote temperance.**

**May we today continue to serve our brothers and sisters with love and joy, and to foster balance and moderation in our life styles with the help of God. So, we pray, "here goes in the name of God".**

**Amen**

# Village Church



**Sunday 2nd March**

- 6.30pm Vigil** Kathleen Crowley (An)  
Mary Seery (Month's Mind)  
Anne O'Brien (Month's Mind)  
Paul Gough (Month's Mind)  
Robert & Joan Crookes (An)
- 9.00am** Archbishop Fulton Sheen (Rem)
- 10.15am** Anne & John Connolly & family  
Michael Lawlor (An)  
Martin Corrigan (An)  
Paddy Hodgins (An)  
Frances Hogan (Rem)  
Sr. Catherine Maria Flynn, DMJ  
Fr. Simon O'Byrne, O.F.M. (Rem)
- 12 noon** Colette Kenny (1st An)  
Kathleen Branagan (5th An)  
Bill Branagan (Rem)  
Patrick McCullagh (Month's Mind)  
Rita Healy (Month's Mind)  
David O'Sullivan (Rem)  
Brian Lucas (An)

**Tuesday 4th March** Novena of Grace begins

**Wednesday 5th March** Ash Wednesday

**Thursday 6th March**

- 7.30am** Bridie Naughton (An)  
**10.00am** Patricia Grey and Georgina Grey  
**7.30pm** Niamh Buckley (5th An)

**Friday 7th March** First Friday

- 7.30am** )  
**10.00am** ) Altar List of the Dead  
**7.30pm** )

**Saturday 8th March**

- 10.00am** Eileen Holohan (59th An)

**Sunday 9th March**

- 6.30pm Vigil** Mary O'Shea (An) and her Mam,  
Mary Furlong
- 10.15am** Caroline Foley Das (2nd An)
- 12 noon** Jimmy Doyle (4th An)  
Karen Byrne (Month's Mind)

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,  
and let perpetual light shine upon them.  
May they rest in peace. Amen*

**SUNDAY, 2nd March 2025**

8th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C

*Today's Readings:*

## FIRST READING

**A reading from the Book of Ecclesiasticus 27:4-7**

*Do not praise a man before he has spoken, since this is the test of men.*

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

**Responsorial Psalm Ps 91**

*It is good to give you thanks, O Lord.*

## SECOND READING

**A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Corinthians 15:54-58**

*God has given us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ*

## GOSPEL

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke 6: 39-45**

*A person's words flow out of what fills their heart.*

## NOVENA OF GRACE TO ST. FRANCIS XAVIER



**In the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Clondalkin Village.**

**Date** 4<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup> March 2025  
**Guest Speaker** Fr. John Ferris  
**Mass Times** 7.30am, 10am, 7.30pm daily

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> March - Blessing of the Sick will take place.

### Weekend Masses:

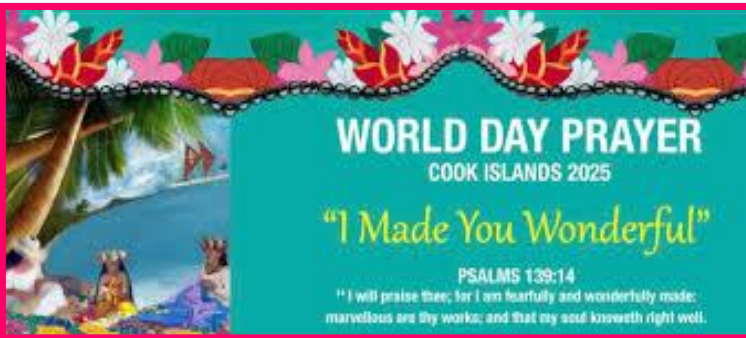
Saturday 10am and 6.30pm (Vigil)  
Sunday 9am (Irish), 10.15am, 12 noon

The Novena Prayer will be recited at all Masses.

Fr. John will speak at the 10am and 7.30pm Masses daily.

There will also be music at the Masses.





You are all very welcome to the service on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> of March at 7 pm at St. John's Church of Ireland, Tower Road, Clondalkin.

The service was originally prepared by the WDP Cook Islands and has been organised by the local faith community.

Many thanks to all who came to our recent Coffee Morning in aid of the Ciaran Carr Foundation. It was a most enjoyable morning with entertainment from local musicians and it was lovely to see so many faces from Clondalkin, old and new. We would like to thank you all for your donations. Thanks also to Tesco, Dunnes Stores and Betsy's for their donations of cakes.



We are very happy to say we raised €900 for the Foundation. Thank you all once again.

*Geraldine Lanigan O.L.M.C. Committee*

### GAIRDÍN AN SUAIMHNEAS

Savouring a bag of chips, sitting on the low circular wall, mesmerised by the round bed of top quality Snowdrops with their deep yellow centres showing, the early Cherry Tree perched on the sloping bank; Gairdín an Suaimhneas it certainly is.

A fitting memorial to the Irish Soldiers who died in Northern Europe in the First World War. It is beside Leonardos Hotel (formerly Jury's Inn) opposite Christchurch Cathedral. The 13 bus stops there. It is small but very well designed at a sunken level. Pause for Peace.

*Eddie.*



## 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.**



### RECENTLY DECEASED

**Patsy Fagan  
Michael Flynn**

*May They Rest in Peace*

### PRAYER FOR THE POPE

Heavenly Father, we thank you for the loving service of Pope Francis and the hope he has inspired in so many in your great mercy. Have mercy on him in his illness now, we pray, and guide the medical staff in his care. Grant him peace and healing. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory be to the Father*

