# **Clonskeagh Parish Newsletter**

Let us remember those who are housebound and listening to our Parish Mass on the Parish Radio today!

**Change of Mass Time** Please note there is no 10am Saturday morning Mass.

# **Diary for this Week:**

Sat 20<sup>th</sup> Oct – Peter Cullen (RD) and Anne Cullen (A)

Sun 21<sup>st</sup> Oct – Joseph & Molly Hannon (A)

Mon 22<sup>nd</sup> Oct – Alice Henry (RD)

Tues 23<sup>rd</sup> Oct – Michael Hearne (RD)

Wed 24<sup>th</sup> Oct – Martin Haddock (RD)

Thurs 25<sup>th</sup> Oct – Nicholas (Nick) O'Connor (RD)

Fri 26<sup>th</sup> Oct – Anthony Quirke (*RD*) Cup of Tea for all in St. Joseph's after Mass. All welcome!

We extend our sympathy to the families of Nicholas (Nick) O'Connor and Phyllis Whelan whose funerals were celebrated in the church this week. We also prayerfully remember all who are **Recently Deceased** and those whose **Anniversaries** occur at this time. "May they rest in peace. Amen."

Weekend Church Collections 1<sup>st</sup> Col (For the support of Priests) €595 2<sup>nd</sup> Col (SHARE Collection) €390 €420 House to House Thank you for your continued support to these collections.

"Be strong and take heart, all you who hope in the LORD' **Psalm 1:24** 



# Coeliac

If you are **Coeliac** you are welcome to receive Holy Communion from the Chalice. Please come forward with the Eucharistic Ministers.



Longing for light we wait in darkness. Longing for truth, we turn to you. Make us your own, your holy people, light for the world to see.

Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts, Shine through the darkness. *Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gathered today.* 

> Longing for peace, our world is troubled. Longing for hope, many despair. Your word alone has power to save us. Make us your living voice.



*Take and eat; take and eat:* this is my body given up for you. *Take and drink; take and drink:* this is my blood given up for you.

I am the Word that spoke and light was made; I am the seed that died to be reborn: I am the bread that comes from heav'n above; I am the vine that fills your cup with joy.

I am the way that leads the exile home; I am the truth that sets the captive free; I am the life that raises up the dead: I am your peace, true peace my gift to you.

# **Parish News & Announcements:**

# **Mission Sunday** –

The collection for World Mission Sunday will be taken up at this weekend's Masses, 20/21 October. It will replace the usual Share Collection.

**Message of Pope Francis for World Mission Sunday 2018** 'Together with young people, let us bring the Gospel to all' Dear young people, I would like to reflect with you on the mission that we have received from Christ. In speaking to you, I also address all Christians who live out in the Church the adventure of their life as children of God. What leads me to speak to everyone through this conversation with you is the certainty that the Christian faith remains ever young when it is open to the mission that Christ entrusts to us.

"Mission revitalises faith" (Redemptoris Missio, 2), in the words of Saint John Paul II, a Pope who showed such great love and concern for young people. The Synod to be held in Rome this coming October, the month of the missions, offers us an opportunity to understand more fully, in the light of faith, what the Lord Jesus wants to say to you young people, and, through you, to all Christian communities.

Dear young people, this coming October, the month of the missions, we will hold the Synod devoted to you. It will prove to be one more occasion to help us become missionary disciples, ever more passionately devoted to Jesus and his mission, to the ends of the earth. I ask Mary, Queen of the Apostles, Saint Francis Xavier, Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus and Blessed Paolo Manna to intercede for all of us and to accompany us always.

# A FEW WORDS FROM FR. JOE.....

I made a retreat recently at Dromantine, near Newry. The retreat centre is lovely old house in beautiful grounds with some gentle walks around the lakes and woods, a perfect place to pray. The centre was once the seminary of the Society of the African Missions, SMA's. Each day walking down the long corridor to the chapel I would stop and look at the pictures on the walls, one for every year. These pictures are called "Class Pieces" and show the newly ordained priests, gathered on the steps in front of the house, all dressed up in their brand new priestly soutanes. These young men, having completed their formation and education were ready and waiting for the assignments to the various missions in Africa where the SMA's had schools, parishes, training centres and many other pastoral assignments. They looked so young, so eager, so generous and ready for the service of God among the world's poorest people. You would have to read the history of the Order to know how it worked out for them, no doubt some had long and happy lives there, others will have found the climate too hard and no doubt some died in Africa and are buried there. Looking at the pictures you can see that from 1970 the numbers decline, in the 1980's there are very few and by the 1990's the house has ceased to be a seminary. I wonder why so many were called and gave their lives to the missions and why that changed so radically, so quickly. There is a new mission now, to Ireland and I guess we are all called to play our part in renewing the Church here at home, we might need a bit of help from Africa!

DUBLIN CITY MARATHON The Dublin City marathon will go ahead on Sunday 28th **October** and it is expected to be one of the most successful events in the marathon's history with another record level of participation. The marathon will begin at 9am in Fitzwilliam Square on the day. Our Parish will be affected by rolling closures on the day. Please see www.airtricitydublinmarathon.ie for more info.

# **Parish Office**

The Parish Office is open Monday, Wednesday & Friday from 9.30am until 12noon. (Closed on Tuesday and Thursday.) The **Sacristy** will be open as usual from 9.30am until 11am *Monday – Saturday & from* 9.30am – 12.30pm on Sunday.