

Clonskeagh Parish Newsletter



Venue for Weekday 10am Masses
Weekday 10am Masses, Monday – Friday (inclusive) will be celebrated in St. Joseph's Oratory. (Funerals will be celebrated in the Main Church.)

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

Coeliac

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

Diary for this 3rd Week of Advent:

Sat 15 Dec – *Conor Bohan (A)*

Sun 16 Dec – *James & Dorothy Murphy (A)*

Mon 17 Dec – *Deceased Members of the Rowan Family (A)*

Tues 18 Dec – *Pat Dunne (RD)*

Wed 19 Dec – *John O'Sullivan (A)*

Thurs 20 Dec – *Tony Waters (A)*

Fri 21 Dec – *Kathleen Courtney (A)*

Cup of Tea for all in St. Joseph's after Mass. All welcome!

We extend our sympathy to the family of
Mr. Vivion Daly
whose funeral was held in the church during the 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

1st Col (For the support of Priests) €545

2nd Col (SVdP) €4035

House to House €305

Thank you for your continued support to these collections.

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



Entrance Hymn

Rejoice in the Lord always;
And again I say, rejoice.
Rejoice in the Lord always;
And again I say, rejoice.

Rejoice, rejoice,
And again I say, rejoice.
Rejoice, rejoice,
And again I say, rejoice.



Recessional Hymn

Wait for the Lord, his day is near
Wait for the Lord, be strong take heart

Prepare the way for the Lord
Make a straight path for Him
Prepare the way for the Lord

Wait for the Lord, his day is near
Wait for the Lord, be strong take heart

Rejoice in the Lord always: God is at hand.
Joy and gladness for all who seek the Lord

Wait for the Lord, his day is near
Wait for the Lord, be strong take heart

The Glory of the Lord shall be revealed
All the Earth will see the Lord

Parish News & Announcements:

St. Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal – Thank You



The annual collection for **St. Vincent de Paul** was taken up at all Masses last weekend. *The total amount collected for the special collection for SVP was €4035.* The conference of St Gall would like to thank all the people of Clonskeagh for the wonderful collection.

A Very Warm Welcome!



This **weekend** at our Mass we celebrate the **'Do This In Memory Programme'** for this year's 1st Holy Communion Classes. We warmly welcome the children and their families from *Our Lady's National School and St. Kilian's Deutsche Schule* to Clonskeagh Parish. We congratulate all the children as they prepare to receive their 1st Holy Communion. *We would like to assure the children and their families of our continued prayers as they prepare for this very special day.*

A few words from Fr Joe.....

A few years ago, I made a stupid joke at the Christmas Day Mass. When the first collection was being taken up I said: "It is usual to give at least a euro, but if you haven't been here since last Christmas, then we would be happy to have the other €49 as well." I regretted it the moment I had spoken. Why? Because it felt like I was chiding the people who only come once a year, perhaps making them feel guilty or uncomfortable. At a deeper level, it probably reflects my regret that we always have people who are moved to come and celebrate Christmas, but who are not inclined to come and join in the life of the parish, the Sunday Mass, or any of the other feasts and celebrations during the year. There are a million reasons why this happens and little by little I am trying to accept it. This year Pope Francis has asked all of us to make those who come at Christmas feel very welcome, like they are at home. Silly jokes will never make anyone feel welcome, so maybe together we can all work on that welcome: A smile; a kind word; moving into the seat to make space; sharing the leaflet; singing; responding; praying aloud; radiating some joy; any or all of these actions are likely to make a positive impression.
Let's give it our best effort; you never know, some may be moved to come again.

Office Administrator – Two year fixed term contract - Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes - VACANCY
An opportunity has arisen for the role of Office Administrator of the Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes. Reporting to the Director of the Pilgrimage, the Office Administrator provides a comprehensive administrative service which includes establishing and maintaining records, booking travel arrangements and managing the accounts of the Pilgrimage Office as well as travelling to Lourdes twice a year. If you are interested in applying for the above position, please email your CV and letter of application outlining why you are a suitable candidate for this role, before 5pm on Monday 10 December 2018 to Judith Maxwell, HR Manager – email: Judith.maxwell@dublindiocese.ie

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 –Friday & from 10.30am – 11.30am on Sunday.

Christmas Card & Mass Times

Christmas Packs are available at the back of the Church. Please take one home with you. **Christmas Dues**
*Sincere thanks to all who have already contributed their **Christmas Dues**.
*They can be **returned** to the **Parish Office/Sacristy** or you can **place them into the collection baskets at the weekend Masses**.
*Dues envelopes continue to be received over the holidays and into the New Year.

WMOF2018 BEHIND THE SCENES DOCUMENTARY

Over an eight-month period, WMOF2018 opened its doors to Moondance Productions who filmed some of the team for a fly on the wall style documentary. Over the 60 minutes of this programme, you will see through the eyes of clergy, event managers, volunteers and Gardaí, part of the planning, obstacles and emotions associated with this momentous Papal visit to Ireland. Many staff and volunteers worked in the background and do not appear in this documentary, as it only represents a small percentage of all the work done. We are certain that it will remind you of Pope Francis in Ireland and we hope that you enjoy it. *The documentary will air on December 31st 2018 at 6:30 pm on the National Broadcaster RTÉ One.*
If you live abroad, you will be able to view the documentary on the RTE Player from the 1st - 7th of January 2019.