

# 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 Week:

*World Day of Migrants & Refugees*

*Sat 19 Jan – Patricia Egan (A)*

*Sun 20 Jan – Miriam Harkin (A)*

*Mon 21 Jan – Special Intention*

*Tues 22 Jan – Pat Dunne (RD)*

*Wed 23 Jan – Special Intention*

*Thurs 24 Jan – Kathleen, Sean & Hannah Barker (A)*

*Fri 25 Jan – Flor & Nora O'Sullivan (A)*



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) €475

2<sup>nd</sup> Col (Share) €305

House to House €375

Thank you for your continued support to these collections.

## Parish Office



The Parish Office opening hours are Mon, Wed, & Fri 9.30am – 12 noon. The **Sacristy** is open from 9.30am until 11am Monday – Friday & from 10.30am – 11.30am on Sunday.  
Tel: 012837948



## Entrance Hymn

Christ be beside me,  
Christ be before me,  
Christ be behind me,  
King of my heart.  
Christ be within me,  
Christ be below me,  
Christ be above me,  
Never to part.

Christ on my right hand,  
Christ on my left hand,  
Christ all around me,  
Shield in the strife.  
Christ in my sleeping,  
Christ in my sitting,  
Christ in my rising,  
Light of my life.



## Recessional Hymn

Holy God we praise thy name,  
Lord of all we bow before thee  
All on earth thy sceptre own,  
all in heaven above adore thee.  
Endless is thy vast domain,  
everlasting is thy reign.

Hark with loud and pealing hymn,  
thee the angel choirs are praising,  
Cherubim and Seraphim one unceasing chorus raising.  
Ever sing with sweet accord,  
holy, holy, holy Lord.

## Parish News & Announcements:

### A Very Warm Welcome!



This weekend at our Mass we celebrate the 'Do This In Memory Programme' for this year's 1<sup>st</sup> 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 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion. We would like to assure the children and their families of our continued prayers as they prepare for this very special day.

### THE DEEP END: 'The First of His Signs'

This is a familiar story, rich in symbolism. It is the first 'sign' recorded in John's Gospel. These 'signs' in John's Gospel are miracle stories but John prefers to use the term 'sign,' as they point to something far more than just the miracle itself. John used these signs to encourage belief in his readers but they are also an invitation for us to understand something more of how God operates in our lives.

Jesus transforms the water which would be used for the Jewish purification rite. He takes something used to give life to people, and transforms it into something which brings joy, celebration and new life to the party. There are many messages we can take from this account: the ability of God to transform our lives, to transform that which is dead and stale. The abundance of wine (approx. 700 litres!) is a significant reminder of the abundance of God's love for us, beyond our comprehension.

We could also focus on the role of Mary in this Gospel – she is the one who notices, she is attentive to the needs of those around her and brings this concern to Jesus. We might pray today that we too may be able to notice, to see, to intervene when we are faced with situations that need attention. This may be a situation of injustice or it may be a situation where something in our own lives or in our church has become dead and stale and is in desperate need of new wine.

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### Family Offering Envelopes/Planned Giving

Family Offering Envelopes/Planned Giving is one of the *sources of income* to the parish. Would you like to contribute to the running costs of your parish?

If you do not currently receive a 'planned giving envelope' but would like to donate please leave your name and address with the parish office so that we can include you in our Parish Register.

### Churchgate Collection – this weekend

**Hugo Fitzgerald**, 5<sup>th</sup> Year student, Gonzaga College will collect on behalf of HABITAT for HUMANITY this weekend. A group of 20 5<sup>th</sup> year students from Gonzaga College SJ will travel to Al Yanaba'a-Ajloun in Jordan next April to build houses for the local community as we as Syrian and Palestinian refugees/ This is their 13<sup>th</sup> year working with Habitat and the money raised in the past has been invaluable in allowing the school to continue very worthwhile projects.

### 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.

**"Be strong and take heart, all you who hope in the LORD"**

*Psalm 1:24*

### Laudate 2019

The Laudate Festival is a project of the Archdiocese that builds a common repertoire of hymns in both school and parish so that children may feel more connected at parish liturgical events and weekly celebrations. The aims of the project have borne fruit in many parishes in the diocese since the inception of Laudate during Catholic Schools week in 2017. Entry to the festival nights is free to all! All are welcome.

**The 2019 Laudate Festival celebrations will take place in:**

**-St. Pius X Church, Templeogue on**

**Monday, 28 January at 7.00pm**

**-Our Lady of Victories Church in Ballymun Road on**

**Tuesday, 29 January at 7.00pm**

**-St. Therese's Church, Mount Merrion on**

**Wednesday, 30 January at 7.00pm**