## **Clonskeagh Parish Newsletter**

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:**

Catholic Schools Week 2019

Sat 26 Jan – Nancy (Anne) & Eddie Kenna (A)

Sun 27 Jan – Nicholas (Nick) O'Connor (RD)

Mon 28 Jan – Mary Macken (RD)

Tues 29 Jan – Pat Dunne (RD)

Wed 30 Jan – Special Intention

Thurs 31 Jan – Paddy Cahill (A)

Fri 1 Feb – St. Brigid's Day - 1<sup>st</sup> Friday

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) €435 2<sup>nd</sup> Col (Share) €305 House to House €430 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



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.)

# Entrance Hymn

Be still for the presence of the Lord, the Holy One is here Bow down before Him now in reverence and fear. In Him no sin is found, we stand on holy ground, Be still for the presence of the Lord, the Holy One is here.

Be still for the glory of the Lord is shining all around He burns with holy fire, w ith splendour he is crowned. How awesome is the sight, our radiant King of Light Be still for the glory of the Lord is shining all around.



God's spirit is in my heart, He has called me and set me apart This is what I have to do, what I have to do.

He sent me to give the good news to the poor, tell prisoners that they are prisoners no more. Tell blind people that they can see, and set the downtrodden free. And go tell everyone the news that the Kingdom of God has come. And go tell everyone the news that God's Kingdom has come.

Just as the Father sent me, so I'm sending you out to be My witnesses throughout the world, the whole of the world.

### **Parish News & Announcements:**

#### A few words from Fr. Joe .....

Pope Francis has just arrived in Panama for World Youth Day; Deirbhile O'Keefe from Raheny carried the Irish Tricolour in the procession for the opening event and I hope when the Pope saw it he recalled with joy his visit here during the summer.

Pope Francis has a great affection for young people; he loves their way of seeing life, their idealism; he connects with their dreams and hopes. Young people want a better world, a more joyful church, and to be heard by those who are in authority over them. Francis talks about the 'encounter' with young people and says "They teach older generations that encountering one another doesn't mean wearing the same things, listening to the same music, or believing the same things. No, the culture of encounter is a call to dare to keep alive a shared dream, a great dream, a dream that has a place for everyone: The dream for which Jesus gave his life on the cross." In the coming days he will meet with the young people, teach the young people, challenge them with the Gospel of Love and celebrate the Eucharist with them. He will be respectful of their life experiences and their journey of faith. He will communicate that he trusts them to embrace the teaching of Jesus and to live as his disciples. Our task is to echo his words, share his vision and encounter young people, here in the parish, with openness, trust and kindness.

#### Last Call for Christmas Dues

Sincere thanks to all who have already contributed their Christmas Dues. Please return to the Parish Office/Sacristy or you can place them into the collection baskets this weekend at the Masses.

#### 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. Parents, families, parish choirs, parishioners and anyone who would like to join in an evening of song and reflection are invited to any of the venues.

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

#### **A Warm Welcome!**

This weekend 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 & 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.

#### **Catholic Schools Week 2019**



Catholic Schools Week 2019 will run from 27<sup>th</sup> January to 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2019. The theme for Catholic Schools Week this year is Catholic Schools: Celebrating the Work of Our Local Catholic Schools.

As Irish society changes, it is important that we reflect on the unique contribution of Catholic schools to our collective goal of education. Each Catholic school shares an ethos that is inclusive, welcoming and vibrant. Saint Paul writes in his first letter to the Corinthians: '*For just as the body is one and has* many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ.' Each Catholic school is a vital member of the one community which is called to work towards the Kingdom of God. Each Catholic school contributes to this mission in a unique way.

This year, celebrate the unique contribution and work of your own school.

*The daily themes are as follows:* -Monday: Living Tradition -Tuesday: Welcoming Diversity Wednesday: Grandparents Day Thursday: In Service of our Community -Friday: Supporting Faith

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