# **Clonskeagh Parish Newsletter**

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

#### **Diary for this Week:**

Sat 16 Mar – Martin Leonard (A)

St. Patrick, bishop, Principal Patron of Ireland

Sun 17 Mar – Patrick McNulty (A)

Mon 18 Mar – Peter & Delia Boyle & Ann Finnegan (A)

Tues 19 Mar – Service of Word and Sacrament

Wed 20 Mar – Special Intention

Thurs 21 Mar – Michael O'Kane (RD)

Fri 22 Mar –Jimmy Lawler (RD)

We prayerfully remember Sarah & Jack Waddick and Denis McMorrow whose Anniversaries occur at this time. We also prayerfully remember all those who are Recently Deceased and whose Anniversaries occur at this time. "May they rest in peace. Amen."

#### **Weekend Church Collections**

 $1^{st}$  Col (For the support of Priests)  $\notin$  465 2<sup>nd</sup> Col (SHARE) €330 House to House €370 Thank you for your continued support to these collections.

#### **Parish Office**

The Parish Office Timetable this week: Closed on Monday (Bank Holiday) Open on Wednesday & Friday 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

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.



Hail, glorious Saint Patrick, dear saint of our isle on us thy poor children bestow a sweet smile; and now thou art high in thy mansions above, on Erin's green valleys look down in thy love.

On Erin's green valleys, on Erin's green valleys, on Erin's green valleys look down in thy love.

Ever bless and defend the sweet land of our birth,

where the shamrock still blooms as when thou were on earth.

and our hearts shall yet burn,

wheresoever we roam,

for God and Saint Patrick. and our native home

On Erin's green valleys, on Erin's green valleys, on Erin's green valleys look down in thy love.

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

### Parish News & Announcements:

#### Coeliac

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

#### **Lenten Reflection**

A Journey in song from Palm Sunday to the Resurrection: psalms, plain song and dánta Dé (hymns of Ireland).

Join vocalist Kerrie O' Connor, organist Jacinta Quigley, harpist Mary Louise O' Donnell and violinist Naomi O' Shea for this reflection in the Church of the Miraculous Medal, Sunday, 31st March at 7pm.

Listen – Sing – Reflect

See notice boards or contact Kerrie (via the parish office) for further details. All welcome!

#### The Season of Lent

'Lent is a season of Fasting, Prayer, and Alms Giving in preparation for the joy of Easter'



• Fasting – Some ideas of fasting include: Fast from judging others, fast from harsh words, fast from discontent fast from anger, fast from worry, fast from complaining & fast from idle gossip.

• Prayer - Why not join us for weekday Mass and prayer, at 10am Mon – Fri in St. Joseph's

• Alms Giving -Trocaire once again invite us to join in with their Lenten Campaign. The Trocaire packs are available at the back of the church. All families in the parish are encouraged to take the pack from the back of the church and join in the Lenten Campaign.

#### **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.

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

I went to bed last night with a prayer on my lips for the 14 people who died on Bloody Sunday and for their relatives and friends who are still living painfully with their loss.

I woke this morning to the news of over 49 people dead at a Mosque in Christchurch and my first prayer is for them and their families.

What we have learnt from Derry tells us that the relatives of those slain in Christchurch, as they prayed, men, women and children, will carry the pain and suffering for many decades to come. Hatred and violence are expressed in appalling acts of terror all over the world and no one knows when the next terrible deed will come.

We might ask if there is anything our leaders can do, any way that nations can avoid this evil and the answer has to be yes?

Building up peace and mutual respect begins with each and every one of us.

Our attitudes, language, behaviours feed into the collective identity of families, communities, nations and the world we live in.

How we come to understand peace and God's plan for peace for all peoples and every nation, how we shape our words and actions to carry out God's plan really does matter.

While we ourselves might never feel hatred so strong as to lead us to murder, we might use words carelessly and contribute to hurt, discrimination and alienation of others.

So, on our Lenten journey, as we seek conversion of heart and to grow in love, let us ask God to open our eyes to all that contributes to hate, and to give us the strength in our hearts to love tenderly, act justly and walk humbly with all our brothers and sisters.

#### **2019** Knock Pilgrimage – Save the Date (Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> April 2019)

Celebrating 140 years of our National Marian Shrine, Our Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock will be led by His Grace Archbishop Diarmuid Martin on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> April.

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