# **Clonskeagh Parish Newsletter**

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



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.)

## **Diary for this Week:**

Sat 10 Aug– Walter & Julia Nolan & **Barth Shanahan** (A)

Sun 11 Aug – Joseph Boylan (A)

Mon 12 Aug – Nora O'Sullivan (A)

Tues 13 Aug – Special Intention

Wed 14 Aug – Bridget & Hugh Quinn & Family (A)

Thurs 15 Aug – Mary O'Sullivan (A) The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin

Fri 16Aug – Dinah & Joseph Pittam (A)



We extend our sympathy to the families of Paul Farrell and Philomena Quinn whose funerals were held here in the church during the week. We also prayerfully remember all who are **Recently Deceased** and whose **Anniversaries** occur at this time. "May they rest in peace. Amen."

### **Parish Office**



The Parish Office opening hours this week 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**

All people that on earth do dwell Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice. Serve him with gladness, praise him well: Come now before him and rejoice.

Know that the Lord is God indeed, In his great love created man: God is our shepherd, every need He has supplied since time began. Refrain

#### **Recessional Hymn**

Now thank we all our God, With heart and hands and voices. Who wondrous things has done, In whom the world rejoices. Who from our mother's arms, Has blessed us on our way. With countless gifts of love, And still is ours to-day.

O may this bounteous God Through all our lives be near us, With ever joyful hearts And blessed peace to cheer us, And keep us in his grace, And guide us when perplexed, And free us from all ills In this world and the next.

# Parish News & Announcements:

A Few Words from Fr Joe..... When I was a younger priest it was important to decide about a year in advance which weeks to block out in the diary for summer holidays. If I was slow to make up my mind on the dates then weddings would be booked into the diary during the summer months Each year the annual Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage and it would be very difficult to find a free fortnight or endeavours to bring over 170 sick pilgrims to three weeks, to get away. Well that has all changed Lourdes. This is a hugely positive experience for the dramatically, during this whole summer I didn't have pilgrims, physically, emotionally and spiritually and a single wedding so far. In fact, during the past few provides valuable respite for their families and carers at home. It costs around €1000 to bring a sick years I might only have 2 or 3 weddings each year in pilgrim to Lourdes. Many cannot afford to pay. This total. So, what has changed? Couples are still getting is where the Annual Collection and Enrolment of married, maybe fewer than before, but many choose a Associate Members of the Pilgrimage comes in to civil or humanist service and don't come to the play. Last year the appeal raised €73000. Over Church for God's blessing or to celebrate the many years people in our parish have shown Sacrament. Some marry abroad and others choose to extraordinary generosity in contributing to this go to smaller venues in the country. Couples are worthy cause. The names of those who enrol are usually over 30 when they get engaged and 32 seems placed at the Grotto in Lourdes during the to me an average age to get married now. The Pilgrimage. We thank you for your ongoing support weddings are well planned, the couples take on a lot throughout the months of July and August. of responsibility and expense that earlier parents would have carried. The hopes and expectations of the *Our Lady of Lourdes, pray for us.* St. Bernadette, pray for us. bride and groom are pretty much identical to 30 years ago. Each hope to be happy, to have married their best Holy Land 13-21 September 2019 friend, to be loyal, faithful and true to each other for Would you like the opportunity to see all the places life. If they haven't already become parents then that we have heard about since childhood, children are expected and being a family they know Bethlehem, Nazareth, Cana, Sea of Galilee, will bring them great joy. They get great support from Jerusalem, Magdala, and much more? Join one of their families, their friends travel back from all over four Dublin parishes on this trip of a lifetime. the world to join in the celebration and the whole Pick up a leaflet in the church or check wedding event might take two or three days. out www.maptravel.ie Weddings are very happy celebrations. Personally, I Holy Land 13-21 September 2019 would love to encourage couples to come and talk to Direct flight Dublin - Tel Aviv their priest and consider getting married in Church. It 8 nights Dinner, B&B, Coach, Entrance Fees doesn't have to be an elaborate celebration, and can *€1695pps* accommodate all levels of faith and practice. Asking for God's seal on our human love, drawing on the Would you Like to Make a Difference? strength of the Sacrament, celebrating with the SeniorLine is looking for women and men aged 55+ to train as telephone line volunteers. Training begins Christian community are all supports to the very in September. You would work in Donnybrook challenging, joyful adventure that is married life. every three weeks, private safe parking provided. Maybe we all need to reach out and encourage our SeniorLine is a national service for older people young people to reflect on where to get married, to who may be lonely, unsupported or with specific talk about the ways that faith has helped our marriages problems. We respond with empathy, and give time and how faith builds on love. to every caller.

#### St. Vincent de Paul

If you require help from The Society of St. Vincent de Paul please phone the Head Office 01 8550022 Mon. - Fri. from 9am to 5.30pm.

The local Conference on the confidential mobile no. is 0871047399

**Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes** 



If you would like to know more, please contact Anne on 087-7450721.

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