

# 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!

## Diary for this Week:

Sat 24 Aug – *Special Intention*

Sun 25 Aug – *Karl Kirby (RD)*

Mon 26 Aug – *Vhairi (Vahre) Harding (RD)*

Tues 27 Aug – *Pat Ryan (RD)*

Wed 28 Aug – *Peter Brady (RD)*

Thurs 29 Aug – *Nora Burke (A) & Special Intention*

Fri 30 Aug – *Tommy, Patricia & Kathleen Lynch & Henry Clement (A)*



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

Hail, Queen of heaven, the ocean star,  
 Guide of the wanderer here below;  
 Thrown on life's surge, we claim thy care;  
 Save us from peril and from woe.  
 Mother of Christ, star of the sea,  
 Pray for the wanderer, pray for me.

O gentle, chaste and spotless maid,  
 We sinners make our prayers through thee;  
 Remind thy Son that he has paid  
 The price of our iniquity.  
 Virgin most pure, star of the sea,  
 Pray for the sinner, pray for me.



## Recessional Hymn

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart,  
 Naught be all else to me,  
 save that thou art:  
 Thou my best thought in the day and the night,  
 Waking and sleeping,  
 thy presence my light.

High King of heaven, when victory is won,  
 Grant heaven's joy to me,  
 O bright heav'n's sun:  
 Christ of my own heart, whatever befall,  
 Still be my vision,  
 O Ruler of all.

## Parish News & Announcements:

### Curiouser and Curiouser

*'Alice opened the door and found that it led into a small passage, not much larger than a rat-hole: she knelt down and looked along the passage into the loveliest garden you ever saw. How she longed to get out of that dark hall, and wander about among those beds of bright flowers and those cool fountains, but she could not even get her head through the doorway.'*  
 (Lewis Carroll, *Alice's Adventures in Wonderland*)

In the opening chapter of Alice's Adventures in Wonderland, Alice is having a bit of bother with doors. She finds herself in a hall in which the doors are all locked. When she finds a key, it doesn't fit the locks. When she manages to find a door to match the key, she herself won't fit through; the doorway is too narrow. How frustrating!

The parable in today's Gospel also features a narrow door and a locked door, as well as an unsympathetic doorkeeper – it's almost as if the master wants to keep everyone out! People knock on the door and expect to be admitted, but it's not that simple. The master turns them away, claiming not to know them, despite protestations that they are acquainted.

Jesus is trying to teach his followers about discipleship. What does he mean when he says we must 'enter by the narrow door'? Is it almost impossible to enter the kingdom of God? One thing is sure: a passing acquaintance with Jesus will not be enough. The plea of 'We once ate and drank in your company' is feeble. It is not enough to know Jesus only on the surface – to attend Mass every Sunday or to turn to him only when we are in need. To really know Jesus, one must walk the narrow path of the Gospel.

*Jane Mellett, Intercom - The Deep End*

### 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*

Volunteers: St Vincent De Paul urgently need volunteers in the areas of Dublin, Wicklow and Kildare to work in assistance with individuals and families for just once a week. This will be for about 3 hours, day or night, (whatever suits you best).

*Full training and support provided - for more information Tel: 01 8198405 or www.SVP.ie / volunteer@svp.ie*

## Legion of Mary



We extend a warm welcome to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Praesidium, the Parish branch of the Legion of Mary. They have moved from the Marist Father's House and starting from next Wednesday, they will meet here in the Church Meeting Room every **Wednesday at 8p.m.**

Visitors are always welcome.  
 Contact Una: 0872253845

## Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes



Each year the annual Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage endeavours to bring over 170 sick pilgrims to Lourdes. Over many years people in our parish have shown extraordinary generosity in contributing to this worthy cause. The names of those who enrol are placed at the Grotto in Lourdes during the Pilgrimage. We thank you for your ongoing support throughout the months of July and August. *We will hold the last collection this weekend 24/25 August.*

*Our Lady of Lourdes, pray for us.  
 St. Bernadette, pray for us.*

## Annual National Grandparents Pilgrimage



The Catholic Grandparents Association Annual National Grandparents Pilgrimage will be held on **September 8 in Knock Shrine at 2.30pm.** Chief Celebrant on the day will be Bishop Kevin Doran, Bishop of Elphin - also in attendance are Combined Choirs of Knock Parish and Dana.

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