

# 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

**Sat 1 Feb – Bernadette Finnegan (RD)**  
**Enrolment Mass - Confirmation Candidates**

**Sun 2 Feb – Margaret, Billy & Peter Boylan (A)**  
**Denis Somers (A) & Patrick Markey (MM)**



**Baptism – We joyfully welcome Hugo & Eoin into the Catholic Faith and we congratulate their parents and families on this special occasion.**

**Mon 3 Feb – Bernadette Finnegan (RD)**

**Tues 4 Feb – Bernadette Finnegan (RD)**

**Wed 5 Feb – Robert Cheevers (RD)**

**Thurs 6 Feb –**

**Fri 7 Feb – 1<sup>st</sup> Friday, Altar List of the Dead**  
**Cup of Tea for all in St. Joseph's after Mass.**  
**All welcome!**

*We prayerfully remember all who are Recently Deceased and those whose Anniversaries occur at this time.*

**“May they rest in peace. Amen.”**



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



## Entrance

Morning has broken like the first morning,  
Blackbird has spoken like the first bird.  
Praise for the singing, praise for the morning,  
Fresh for them springing, fresh from the Word.

Sweet the rain's new fall, sunlit from heaven,  
Like the first dew-fall on the first grass.  
Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden,  
Sprung in completeness where his feet pass.



## Recessional

The Spirit lives to set us free, walk, walk in the light  
He binds us all in unity, walk, walk in the light.  
Walk in the light,  
Walk in the light,  
Walk in the light,  
Walk in the light of the Lord.

The Spirit lives in you and me, Walk, walk in the light  
His light will shine for all to see, walk, walk in the light.  
Walk in the light,  
Walk in the light,  
Walk in the light,  
Walk in the light of the Lord.

## Weekend Church Collections

**1<sup>st</sup> Col (For the support of Priests) €455**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Col (Share) €400**  
**House to House €465**

*Thank you for your continued support to these collections.*

## Parish News & Announcements:

### The Presentation of the Lord • 2 February 2020 • World Day for Consecrated Life

## Unexpected Moments

It was an important day for this little family, when Mary and Joseph brought Jesus to the Temple in Jerusalem. Did they expect everything to go smoothly, or had they already had to let go of some of their dreams and plans?

After all, the story of Jesus' birth had already been unusual, not to mention the shepherds turning up to visit the newborn Messiah. Still, they could not have expected two elderly people to suddenly appear in the Temple with a message about their child – that he was going to do great things but also would be rejected and cause great pain to his mother. Was it at this moment that they realised life would never be the same again?

The most important messages can come from unexpected sources. Anna and Simeon were advanced in years, wise and devout people who had lived well, and still hoped and trusted in God's plan. This encounter was unexpected for them too, taking place close to the end of their lives; but they were ready, willing and able to recognise its significance. Their call was to be among the first people to encounter the Messiah and to share the Good News. What is our call?

The story of Anna and Simeon shows us the value of being open to an encounter with Jesus. Despite what we have been through, or what stage we are at in life, there are good things to come. Each of us has something unique to offer. We pray that we will recognise the unexpected opportunities to encounter God that come our way.

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## Enrolment Mass Confirmation Candidates 2020



We give a special welcome to the Confirmation Candidates who are beginning their parish preparation programme for Confirmation. The last time the children's names were called out was on the day of their Baptism. As we call out the names of each child we remember and give thanks for the gift of faith that was received on that day, which continues to be nourished by their Families and by this Faith Community.

We ask the community of faith to journey with these families as their children prepare to become full members of the Church. As members of the family of God it is our responsibility to support, help and pray for these children. They are a reminder that throughout Baptism we are all children of God.

*‘Come, Holy Spirit, Fill the hearts of your Faithful.  
Enkindle in them the fire of Your love.’*

## Upcoming Events - ALFIE LAMBE

ALFIE LAMBE (1932 – 1959)

The 10.30am Mass on Sunday, 9th February will be offered to celebrate the life of the Servant of God Alfie Lambe, and to pray for his Beatification.

The principal Celebrant and Homilist will be The Very Rev. Paul Churchill, JCD.

Alfie, a native of Tullamore, Co. Offaly, and a former Legion of Mary Envoy to South America has been designated as “the Servant of God” in recognition of the holiness and dedication of his short life. What is needed to progress his cause is a medically approved miracle through his intercession.

*All are welcome. A cup of tea will be served*

## Archdiocese of Dublin

**Dublin Diocesan World Day of the Sick Conference**  
**8<sup>th</sup> February 2020**  
**Newtownpark Pastoral Centre, Newtownpark Avenue,**  
**Blackrock, Co. Dublin**  
**28<sup>th</sup> World Day of the Sick 2020**

## “Hope in the face of suicide”

**Hosted by the Dublin Diocesan World Day of the Sick Committee**

9.30 a.m.	Registration
10.00 a.m.	Conference Commencement, Conference
Chairperson:	Ms Annette O' Donnell, Director, Dublin Diocesan Communications Office
Opening Prayer:	
10.15 a.m.	Chairs introduction to the opening Address by Diarmuid Martin, Archbishop of Dublin
10.15 a.m.	Self-Care – Catherine Keenan
11.00 a.m.	Tea/Coffee
11.15 a.m.	Starting a conversation on Mental Health – Donal Scanlon, 'Mental Health First Aid Ireland'.
12.00	Grief – Suicide Bereavement - Michael Egan, Living Links
12.20 p.m.	Q & A
12.40 p.m.	Concluding Prayer Service Invitation to Lunch, Bishop Ray Field, Diocesan Representative for Healthcare
1.00p.m	Lunch

## Crib Offerings

The *Crib Offerings* will be donated to the Holy Family Maternity Hospital in Bethlehem under the care of the Sisters of Charity.

*This year the total realised was €580.*

We thank you all for your generosity to this worthy cause.

*“Jesus born in Palestine, lives today in Bread and Wine” (Hilaire Belloc)*