

Clonskeagh Parish Newsletter

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



Mass Times

Weekday 10am Masses –
Monday – Friday (inclusive)
Saturday 6.30pm
Sunday 10.30am

Diary for this Week

Sat 4 Jul – Daisy Duffy (A)

Sun 5 Jul – Ada Delany (A)

Mon 6 Jul – Clare Gallagher (RD)

Tues 7 Jul – Mary Kelly (RD)

Wed 8 Jul – James Healy (RD)

Thurs 9 Jul – Muriel Flynn (RD)

Fri 10 Mar – Special Intention

We extend our sympathy to the families of
Joseph Mangan & Richard Fitzpatrick
whose funerals were held in this church during
the week.

We prayerfully remember
Teresa Walsh & Mary Kelly
Recently Deceased.



“Be strong and take heart, all you who
hope in the Lord”

Psalm 1:24

Weekend Church Collections - There will be no baskets passed during Mass so please watch out for the collection buckets at the doors. Feel free to donate online at <https://www.clonskeaghparish.ie/>

Thank you for your continued support to these collections.



The First Reading

This prophetic text is applied to Jesus, at his triumphal entry into Jerusalem. The paradox of God’s ways is evident: the king who comes is victorious yet humble; riding on a donkey yet banishing chariots.

The Second Reading

In Paul’s terminology, ‘misdeeds of the body’ refers not only to ‘sins of the flesh,’ but to every action and attitude that ignores, or is at odds with, the reality of God.

The Gospel

Jesus is not opposed to learning and cleverness. He wants his followers to use all their abilities in the service of his kingdom.

But leaning and cleverness alone will not avail, without the attitude of childlike humility which looks to God in all circumstances and for everything.

Parish News & Announcements:

The Deep End

In the opening lines of the Gospel today, Jesus praises God for the grace of openness and humility he sees around him, for revealing ‘these things’ to infants and hiding them from the ‘wise.’ I imagine Jesus had had enough of the arrogance and the egos of the elite. The authorities of the time who were so closed to his message of love and compassion. Jesus’ disciples were not from the upper echelons of society, but they trusted in Jesus, they wanted to understand, they had an openness to learn. For Jesus, God’s grace was found in the humble, in those who were open to new possibilities, in those whose hearts were not hardened or consumed by ego. Over the past number of months, we have all been humbled a little, whether we were open to it or not. The Covid-19 epidemic stopped us in our tracks and suddenly we realised we were not in control. We were humbled by a microscopic invader with macroscopic consequences. While many opportunities lay in our cocooning, I am very aware how many are struggling with our new reality. It has been a traumatic and stressful time for most people. And yet, within it all, our faith asks us to watch out for signs of hope, for stories of resurrection all around us, for good news. Today, we hear some of the most beautiful lines in the Gospel: ‘Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.’

Reading The Message interpretation of the text reads:

‘Learn the unforced rhythms of grace. I will not lay anything heavy or illfitting on you. Keep company with me and you’ll learn to live freely and lightly.’

During days of uncertainty, may we remember and whisper these lines, with open hearts.

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During the week preparations have been made to make the church compliant with all the regulations governing places where the public gather. You can help us to make this return to public worship go well.

A few pointers:

1. Come early.
2. Bring your own hand sanitizer, or use what is provided.
3. Look around the church, three colours are used to indicate available space. Sit in the Green zone, leave the Red spaces free, notice the yellow tape showing the 2 metres social distancing.
4. Follow the guidance of the stewards, they are parishioners like yourselves and happy to help you find an available space.
5. If you arrive and see the “FULL” notice at the door feel free to follow the Mass outside and come after Mass for Communion.
6. Don’t crowd the doors entering or leaving, give everyone their space.
7. Please don’t come every day, and when there is a funeral please leave the seats for the family and the mourners.
8. If you can come during the week, please do so and leave the space at weekends for others.
9. Remember that the Sunday Obligation is not operative during the pandemic.
10. There will be no baskets passed during Mass so please watch out for the collection buckets at the doors. Feel free to donate online at <https://www.clonskeaghparish.ie/>

Thanks to everyone who has helped keep the parish alive and active during the pandemic and please remember in your prayers all those who were bereaved at this difficult time.

Fr Joe

SeniorLine is a FREEPHONE service and our older callers can call free between 10am and 10pm every day of the year on 1800804591. The corona virus is a particular threat to older people and subsequently SeniorLine has put in place a number of protocols to support our many older callers from all over Ireland. Any caller, concerned about Covid 19, will receive the most up to date guidance as recommended by Government sources. Good health practice is reinforced at all times. This information is updated daily as the situation changes and is available to each of our volunteers at the phones.