

# Clonskeagh Parish Newsletter

Let us remember those who are sick and housebound in our Parish today!



We prayerfully remember all those who are **Recently Deceased** & all whose **Anniversaries** occur at this time. *“May they rest in peace. Amen.”*



**October – Month of the Rosary**  
**Why not discover/rediscover the beauty of the Rosary this month?**

You are invited to **pray the Rosary** during the month of October.

**Joyful Mysteries (Monday, Saturday)**

The Annunciation  
The Visitation  
The Nativity  
The Presentation in the Temple  
The Finding in the Temple

**Luminous Mysteries (Thursday)**

The Baptism of Jesus  
The Wedding of Cana  
The Proclamation of the Kingdom  
The Transfiguration  
The Institution of the Eucharist

**Sorrowful Mysteries (Tuesday, Friday)**

The Agony in the Garden  
The Scourging at the Pillar  
The Crowning with Thorns  
The Carrying of the Cross  
The Crucifixion

**Glorious Mysteries (Wednesday, Sunday)**

The Resurrection  
The Ascension  
The Coming of the Holy Spirit  
The Assumption of Mary  
The Coronation of Mary

*The one who seeks grace, finds it in Mary's hands.*

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

## Parish News & Announcements

### The Deep End – Creation - A Royal Wedding

Today's gospel is difficult. Stories of judgement, weeping and gnashing of teeth just do not appeal to most people. We hear about a King whose invitations to his son's wedding banquet are repeatedly refused. In some instances his messengers are killed. One interpretation of this parable is that it is an allegory for the Jesus story, God's invitation to the Messianic banquet has been refused by those who are expected to embrace it. This banquet is therefore opened up to the unexpected, the Gentiles, the poor, those on the margins, the outcast.

Going deeper again, we can hear that God wants to be in a relationship with each of us. We are all invited to this banquet.

Yet, sometimes we exclude ourselves from being in fellowship with God. We may be hurt, suffering in a way that is preventing us from accepting the invitation to experience God's love and hospitality. We simply want to be left alone. Notice how the host in this parable persists. God does not give up on us.

And what about that poor chap who did come but was not suitably dressed? If we accept the invitation we should be ready for change and not just change of an outer garment, real change. Because any real experience of God in our lives transforms us in some way or another. Parables were meant to shock those who heard them. The Gospel is meant to make us uncomfortable. Otherwise, what changes for us? We can sit around and listen to nice gentle passages that keep us comforted, or we can be challenged and moved to experiencing something real, something which requires us to show up and be transformed. It is up to us whether or not we accept this invitation.

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This year **World Mission Sunday** will take place on the weekend of **Sunday 18 October**. World Mission Sunday is helping communities to build schools, clinics, parish halls and Churches for marginalised communities and missionaries in our church family in Africa, Asia and Latin America. It provides missionary programmes that protect and care for children's wellbeing by offering safe shelter, healthcare, education and hope for the future and it is vital to give generously to this special collection as the pandemic has brought about even more challenges in many war-torn countries but also these crises will remain thereafter. All return donations to: World Missions Sunday Office of the Holy Father's Universal Solidarity Fund, 64 Lwr. Rathmines Road, Dublin D06 N2H1. *Further information email: [info@wmi.ie](mailto:info@wmi.ie) or [www.wmi.ie](http://www.wmi.ie)*

COVID-19 Support Line for Older People **ALONE** has launched a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to the outbreak of COVID-19 (Coronavirus). Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open Monday to Friday, 8am-8pm, by calling 0818 222 024. Hours may be extended to meet the demand.

**ACCORD Dublin** is now a separate legal entity (still part of the Archdiocese of Dublin) and we are trying to raise awareness of its services through embedding website links in all the Archdiocese's parish websites. We already have a link on the Archdiocese website but we only have one link to a parish website so far. ACCORD Dublin would be very grateful if you would consider putting such a link on your parish website. The website is [www.accorddublin.ie](http://www.accorddublin.ie) It would greatly help us to harness the Google search algorithms if you would include the following words: ACCORD Dublin has launched a new website. For Sacramental Marriage Preparation Courses or for Marriage and Relationship Counselling please visit [www.accorddublin.ie](http://www.accorddublin.ie)

