

Clonskeagh Parish Newsletter

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



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Clonskeagh Parish Mass Times are as follows:

•10am Monday to Friday •6.30pm Saturday (Vigil) •10.30am Sunday

We all need to exercise caution in our interactions with the public and with each other.

The norms of social distance, hand washing, and masks continue to be strictly observed.

Everyone who visits our church is to wear a face covering, to practice hand sanitising and social distancing, in order to protect everyone's health.

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Mass Intentions For This Week

Saturday 6.30pm – Barth Shanahan and Walter & Julia Nolan (A)

Sunday 10.30am – James Horgan (A)

Monday 10.00am – Eva Keogh (RD)

Tuesday 10.00am – Billy Brown (A)

Wednesday 10.00am – Susan & William Hayden and Imelda, Patty & Maureen

Thursday 10.00am – Bridget & Michael Corbally (A)

Friday 10.00am – Frank Egan (RD)

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



CREATION HOUR

Sunday, September 19th, @ 4pm Church of St. Therese, The Rise, Mount Merrion, Co. Dublin. A celebration of Creation with reflections, poems, readings, birdsong, live music, and seed exchange. Bring along your garden seeds (paper bag/envelope and name of plant or flower) to share!

<http://www.mountmerrionparish.ie> <https://www.catholicbishops.ie/season-of-creation-2021>

A Few Words From Fr Joe...

Each year when the appeal is made for Crosscare we are reminded of the many ways the Church in Dublin is at the service of the poor and people in need here at home. The range of services Crosscare offers embraces many aspects of life dealing with hunger and homelessness, the needs of carers and educational supports for young people, supporting communities and in times of crisis, like COVID 19, rising to new challenges.

More than 50 years ago Archbishop Mc Quaid saw a need to have church and faith based responses to the challenges that effected the lives of members of our faith family and local community. He wanted people to know that when they had a need, their church was there to help. He knew that people looked at the magnificent treasures in the Vatican, and the splendid churches and houses, convents and schools of the local church and saw in them the success and strength of the church. He knew that many people could really only look in from the outside, that they felt excluded and rejected. Poverty can make people feel less than human, lack of resources can be seen in ragged clothes and unwashed bodies, shame often accompanies the poor and isolates them even from the company of the congregations who gather for Mass, prayer and praise of God. He wanted an end to poverty in this diocese. He prayed and worked towards taking steps in health, education and social services that would make a difference for Dublin's poorest. His vision set in motion organisations and agencies that have grown and developed, responded to changing needs and drawing on the gifts and talents of well trained workers. With the constant support of the people of our parishes, each and every year, the work of Crosscare is carried on.

I have always felt a surge of pride when I see one of the vans, with the Crosscare logo, bringing surplus food to one of the centres for distribution. When I went to Portland Row to take some pictures of the homecoming for Kelly Harrington with her gold medal I spotted the huge tribute to her from 'all in Crosscare', as their community café is close by her house.

It has always been inspiring to meet the young people who work for Crosscare, staffing all these many initiatives and hearing their stories of the difference they make in the communities they serve.

I hope we can be generous in our support for their annual appeal which replaces the Share collection this weekend.



‘People and families who are homeless and in need, continue to rely on Crosscare for shelter, food, help and support’ – Archbishop Farrell

The impact of the global pandemic continues to effect those working with people in need, as demand on essential services increased dramatically in 2020 and funding decreased.

Crosscare, the social support agency of the Archdiocese of Dublin, is this week appealing to people to contribute to their annual collection to ensure all services can be maintained in the coming months.

Crosscare provides accommodation and support to homeless families and individuals, food services - through its community foodbanks and cafés - youth services throughout Dublin and Wicklow and support for migrants, refugees and emigrants. For the first time some families, who previously did not need support before, turned to Crosscare for help in 2020. Throughout last year:

- ❖ 750 people (individuals, couples and families) stayed in Crosscare Homeless Services;
- ❖ 3,000 people who were homeless or at risk of losing their home were helped by their Information and Advocacy teams;
- ❖ Thousands of children and young people were supported through Crosscare Youth Services, Teen Counselling and Drug and Alcohol Programmes;
- ❖ Over 60,000 support phone calls were made to elderly and isolated people; and,
- ❖ 9,500 people from 122 countries sought help from Crosscare's Refugees and Migrant support service.

Crosscare's CEO, Conor Hickey said, “2021 is proving to be another challenging year as demand on our services increases. Sadly, the Covid crisis particularly affects the most vulnerable. I cannot stress enough how much our services depend on the funds raised through this collection to help our homeless, community and youth services as well as our supports for migrants and refugees.” Mr Hickey paid tribute to Crosscare staff and volunteers who continue to adapt to the incredible challenges brought about by the pandemic, and who ensure that, each day, those most in need are treated with love, respect and kindness.