Clonskeagh Parish Newsletter

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



Clonskeagh Parish Mass Times are as follows:

•10am Monday to Friday (11am on Bank Holidays) •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 – Tom Burke (RD)

Sunday 10.30am – Thomas, Annie & Deceased Members of The Kelly Family (A)

Monday 10.00am – Mass for the Holy Souls

Tuesday 10.00am – John Keogh (A)

Wednesday 10.00am – Patricia Horgan (RD)

Thursday 10.00am – Brendan Stack (RD)

Friday 10.00am – Alan Dooley (RD)



We extend our sympathy to the families of Brid Buggy & Noel Goulding, Recently Deceased. We prayerfully remember all those who are **Recently Deceased** & all whose **Anniversaries** occur at this time. "May they rest in peace. Amen."

Mission Sunday Collection

The **Mission Sunday Collection** is due to take place this weekend, 23/24 October 2021. World Mission Sunday is the Holy Father's annual appeal for spiritual and financial support so that the life-giving work of overseas mission and missionaries can continue. It always falls on the second last Sunday in October, meaning this year it will be celebrated on Sunday 24 October. This year's theme 'We Cannot Remain Silent – We cannot but speak about what we have seen and heard (Acts 4:20)' is twofold. It is a message of hope – Jesus Christ is risen and we cannot keep his love, compassion, and mercy to ourselves. It also challenges us to stand up and speak out on behalf of those who are weaker. All too often, the voices that need to be heard are not the loudest. For them, we cannot remain silent.

A Few Words From Fr Joe...

During the week, I was preparing a homily for the opening of the year Mass in a boy's secondary school. Moments like this are a great opportunity to speak to young people who little by little are coming to identify with the ethos and culture of their Catholic school and are present at the Mass. When they join with the whole school community, teachers, school leadership and parents and form a community of faith, they are empowered for excellence. They stand with their individual gifts, in the common uniform of the school and shedding head phones, tablets and phones, their immense potential for goodness can be awakened.

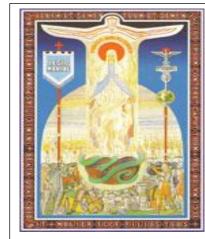
There is so much I'd love to be able to get across to them, to reinforce what they already know, that each one of them is a precious son of God, that they are loved, cherished and admired by the God who created them and by the family, school and community that they live in. I'd like them to know that their faith is a gift and that deepening their relationship with the Lord, being true Christian disciples will make them better men. I'd love to encourage them to pray, to identify with the social teaching of the church, to feed the poor, shelter the homeless, visit those who are sick and in prison. I'd love them to be a Good Samaritan in their own community, crossing the road to connect with the wounded, the outcast, the lad with a broken heart or spirit. I would like them to be men of the Beatitudes, gentle, humble and kind. I'd love to see them tap into the gift of the Holy Spirit that they received at Confirmation, that they would have wisdom and understanding, good judgement and have a capacity for wonder and awe.

It's a struggle for me to speak into a teenage culture. As we get older and the gap widens between our time and theirs, things change. Our young people are freer, fitter, stronger, better dressed, with endless opportunities to learn, travel and explore life. Yet they bleed, bruise and weep in similar ways to everyone who went before them. Life can have disappointments, friendships can be lost, confidence drains away and dreams shatter for them too. So, it's important to have spiritual strength in the core of their being.

So, I tell them that being a practicing catholic, a young person with a living faith, nourished by the sacraments and joined to the community of believers, is a good life choice, one that will bring abundant blessings, and definitely make them better boyfriend material. Can you tell them the same thing, and if you meet one at Church greet them with your best smile and kindest word.



Vox Hiberniae Kerrie O'Connor, and her group Vox Hiberniae, have prepared a 30 minute reflection entitled "A Celtic Journey with Our Lady" contemplating the life of Our Lady with Harp, Voice and Strings from our local Carmelite convent on Roebuck road. It can be viewed on the following link: https://youtu.be/KR0esUMcDAo Or go to http://www.youtube.com/c/voxhiberniae and click on the the video to enlarge and view



ALFIE LAMBE (1932 – 1959)

Holy Mass for the Beatification of the Servant of God, Alfie Lambe, one of Ireland's candidates for sainthood will be offered in the Church of The Three Patrons, Rathgar, on Sunday, 31st October at 12.15p.m. The principal Celebrant and Homilist will be Very Rev Paul Taylor, P.P. Rathgar. Alfie, a native of Tullamore and a former Legion of Mary Envoy to South America has been designated as "the Servant of God" in recognition of the holiness of his short life. His Cause was introduced by the Archdiocese of Buenos Aires in 1978 and work on it is progressing both in Buenos Aires and in Ireland.