

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 (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 – Kathleen Tierney (A)

Sunday 10.30am – Paddy Moloney (RD) & Patricia Horgan (Month's Mind)

Monday 10.00am – Special Intention

Tuesday 10.00am – Brid Buggy (RD)

Wednesday 10.00am – Mass for the Holy Souls & Annie Doolan (A)

Thursday 10.00am – Babs Doyle (RD)

Friday 10.00am – Altar List of the Dead



*We prayerfully remember **Rose Roberts**, Recently Deceased
& **Annie Doolan**, whose **Anniversary** occurs at this time.
"May they rest in peace. Amen."*

Mission Sunday Collection – 'We Cannot Remain Silent – We cannot but speak about what we have seen and heard (Acts 4:20)' The **Mission Sunday Collection** took place last weekend. The total amount realised was **€540**. Thank you for your generosity. 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.

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.

A Few Words From Fr Joe...

I walked up to the front door of a house during the week, I was about to knock when, out of the corner of my eye I noticed, half hidden by the hedge, a skeleton on the grass and gasped. Still startled I noticed it was sort of half buried, but smiling, as if it were breaking free from the ground, coming out of the grave. Halloween has become 'scary', with witches and ghouls dangling by doors and from limbs of trees, pumpkins displayed with gnashing teeth, and manic grins, hedges draped in cobwebs, signs suggesting that you'd better 'stay out'.

People my age tend to reminisce about the Halloweens of our youth, recalling the way we bobbed for apples, were treated to a toffee apple, spent hours carving faces in turnips and squeezed a candle inside and if we were really bold, took the gates off a neighbour's house, as a sign that the restless spirits weren't always well behaved. Now it's 'trick and treating' like our American cousins, dressing up in truly frightening costumes and for the little people gathering a lot, far too many, sweets and bars from kindly folks, brave enough to answer a knock. The children of today have a ball finding their costumes and perfecting their makeup, the more blood the better!

One way or another Halloween is a night like no other, in fun and jest the darker side of the spiritual life comes alive and all sorts roam around to disrupt the calm of everyday and suggest another dimension to life. The magical, mysterious movement of witches on brooms and ghostly figures with grotesque features keep our spine tingling and heart in mouth.

To be honest I'm sort of glad when it's over, the orange wreaths are taken off doors and packed away with plastic bones and conical hats and we get ready for All Saints Day and then All Souls. When the faith community gathers to recall the lives of those who've lived among us and are now departed we have an altogether more consoling tale to tell. Our dead are at peace, they live in heavenly light, paradise is their final destination and one generation is reunited with those who went before. God is there with his angels and saints; St Peter guards the gate and the Blessed Mother is waiting to bring the dead to join the heavenly chorus. Jesus, radiant and risen is at the Father's side and all is well. We are left to celebrate their lives, remember our dead and to pray for all the faithful departed in the month ahead.

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 video to enlarge and view



November – Month of the Holy Souls



Altar List of the Dead

The November Altar List of the Dead is one of the many ways in which we remember our deceased relatives and friends, and join our intentions in the Masses the priests offer for the repose of their souls. Please take a **November Altar List of the Dead (Available at the back of the Church)**. Place your completed List in one of the envelopes provided and return it to the basket **or, you can pop them into the post box outside St. Joseph's or, if it is open, leave them in the Sacristy**. The names of all those on the **Altar List of the Dead** are included in the 1st Friday Masses throughout the year.

*We continue to prayerfully remember **all the families** in our Parish who have been bereaved during the past year. We assure you of a continued remembrance in our prayers.*