

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 – Nellie & Bob Williams (A) & Pat Dunne (A)

Sunday 10.30am – Mary Mooney (A)

Monday 10.00am – Annie Doolan (A)

Tuesday 10.00am – Rose Roberts (RD)

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Thursday 10.00am – Patrick Cunningham (RD)

Friday 10.00am – Brid Buggy (RD)



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

TRÓCAIRE SPECIAL APPEAL FOR EAST AFRICA NOVEMBER 6TH & 7TH NOVEMBER

The Bishops of Ireland have called for a national Church collection on the 6th & 7th of November to support Trócaire in providing life-saving aid to vulnerable communities in East Africa and DRC, where millions of people are being pushed to the edge of starvation. Trócaire teams are already responding on the ground, and are ready to provide more life-saving assistance but need more resources. Any support the Parish can give to this Emergency Appeal will help the urgent work of Trócaire and their hardworking local partners. For more information see www.trocaire.org
This collection will replace the Share Collection.

A Few Words From Fr Joe...

I have a grandniece called Cleo, a beautiful girl, with long curly hair, a magic smile and a happy disposition. When I heard that a little girl with the same name had disappeared from a camping site in Australia, during a family holiday, it registered with me and I included her in my prayers, hoping for a safe return. There wasn't much news about her in our media in the weeks since she was last seen, until today. On the morning news, there was an interview with a big burly policeman, first on the scene when officers broke into a locked house and found a little girl. He told the interviewer that he had said his name to her, once, twice, three times asking her all along what was her name. Eventually she said, “my name is Cleo!” he was choking back tears as he recalled the sheer joy of finding this lost child, alive and well and was able to reunite her with the distraught parents. I'm sure they never gave up hope, but so often these stories don't have any ending at all.

It was 35 years ago that Philip Cairns disappeared on his way from lunch back to school. His mum, Alice has never had a call like this, she along with the families of those who have disappeared are left in a living limbo, never wanting to extinguish hope. I was teaching in Dundrum when he went missing and well remember the posters with his picture on every pole, trying to prompt someone with information to speak out. I've never forgotten him, often think about his family and wonder how it could happen and no one is able or willing to shed light on it, even after all this time.

No one really knows why some prayers are answered and happy outcomes are enjoyed, while others are not answered yet and suffering and loss endure. In both the good outcomes that we celebrate and the sad ones that we hold in our prayers, we are reminded of how precious each child is, how deep our love can be and how hope can never be extinguished from the human heart. When life is over and we are reunited with our departed brothers and sisters, some of these mysteries will be unravelled in the hereafter, and the Lord our God will help us understand more deeply our joys and sorrows.

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.

- Date For Your Diary

Next Saturday, 13 November, a Mass of Remembrance for all those whose funerals were held in this Church during the past year will be celebrated at **6.30pm**.

*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.*

- November Pledge

Many people choose to abstain from alcohol for the month of November and offer this sacrifice up for their deceased loved ones. You can do likewise – by taking this pledge:

Let us Pray... For Thy greater glory and consolation, O Sacred Heart of Jesus, for Thy sake to give good example, to practise self-denial, to make reparation to Thee for the sins of intemperance, and for the conversion of excessive drinkers, I will abstain for the month of November, in prayerful remembrance of all the Holy Souls, from all intoxicating drinks. Amen.

For more information visit: www.pioneerassociation.ie