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 |
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| 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. |
| Parish Office |
| The Parish Office is open Monday, Wednesday & Friday from 9.30am – 12 noon. |
| **** Parish Office Email: clonskeaghparish@gmail.com**** |
| Sacristy/Parish Office Telephone: 01 2837948 Website: <u>www.clonskeaghparish.ie</u> |
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A Few Words from Fr Joe.....

During the last month, across the three parishes, we have had many celebrations of Confirmation. To prepare for these special days we first had a ceremony of commitment and then a ceremony of light. For the first of these the candidates committed to preparing well for their confirmation, both by the work they did in class and by being more Christian in their ordinary lives. Each of them expressed a personal way of contributing more to the happiness and wellbeing of their family and friends, and at the same time to their own self-care. The Ceremony of Light is always a lovely moment, so simple in essence and so moving in its significance. For that ceremony, the parish provided each candidate with their own pillar candle with an invitation that they would each decorate their candles with Christian symbols, and their baptismal name. The young people displayed amazing creativity and presented a rainbow of candles with so much colour, life and each one telling it's own story. The renewal of baptismal promises, the remembering of god parents, grandparents and family who were there 11 years ago to be present at their baptism and the passing on of the flame of faith all made for an uplifting ceremony. The actual day of Confirmation was an exceptional day. We have had some great weather and spring sunshine, bright yellow daffs and happy people all gathering with big smiles got the liturgies off to a great start. The decoration of the Church was a great break from Lenten colours as the bright red for confirmation brightened the sanctuary and the flowers, poster, banners and place markers all contributed to the environment. The young people, now so well prepared, many doing specific tasks in song, reading, music, processions displayed a wealth of talents. At the heart of the celebration is the calling down of the Spirit of God, coming to each of these young Christians with fabulous gifts, all empowering them to make the very most out of life, supported and guided by the love of God. Each of them choose a name, and every one of them had something to say about that choice. They had a sponsor who is special to them and the sense of pride, love and affection between them was beautiful to see.

The challenge now for these candidates is to live their faith, throughout their entire lives, as an expression of their character as children of God. They come from fabulous families and if they could together practice the faith, participate in Sunday Mass, take on prayer and spiritual disciplines, learn the benefits of charity and love of neighbour and infuse all their relationships with integrity, life will "all the richer be". Best of luck for the journey ahead.

Weekend Collections 27/28 March

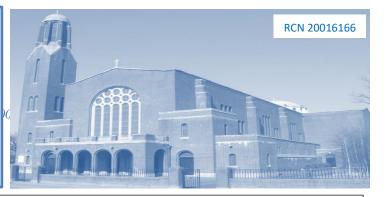
1st Coll. (*The support of Priests*) €230 2nd Coll. UKRAINE COLLECTION €1590 House to House (*Incl. S/O*) €350 Thank you for your continued support.

Advocate Collection – Next weekend 9/10 April 2022 The Sunshine Fund of the Society of St Vincent de Paul is holding its annual collection next weekend. This year they

will hold an envelope collection in the church rather than a bucket collection.

Please be as generous as you can.

| Holy Week & Easter 2022 He is risen, Alleluia, Alleluia We invite you to celebrate Holy Week & Easter in our Parishes from Fr Joe, Fr Brian, Fr Paddy, Fr Donie & Fr Fergus | | |
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| Holy Week Timetable St Laurence O'Toole | Holy Week Timetable Mount Merrion Parish | Holy Week Timetable Clonskeagh |
| Palm Sunday 10 th April Mass times: Vigil 6pm, 10am & 11.30am | Palm Sunday 10 th April Mass times: Vigil 6pm, 10am, 11.30am & 7.30pm | Palm Sunday 10 th April Mass times: Vigil 6.30pm & 10.30am |
| Lenten retreat led by Fr Laurence Gallagher Monday 11 th April Mass times: 10am & 7pm Tuesday 12 th April Mass times: 10am Penitential Service 7pm Wednesday 13 th April Healing Mass & Anointing of sick Mass times: 10am & 7pm | Tuesday 12 th April Joint Penitential Service in Kilmacud at 7pm | Tuesday 12 th April Joint Penitential Service in Kilmacud at 7pm |
| Holy Thursday 14 th April | Holy Thursday 14 th April | Holy Thursday 14 th April |
| Morning prayer at 10am Solemn Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7.30pm | Morning prayer at 10am Solemn Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7.30pm | Please join with Mount Merrion or Kilmacud |
| Watch & Pray til 11pm Good Friday 15 th April | Good Friday 15 th April | Good Friday 15 th April |
| Morning Prayer at 10am Children's Stations of the Cross at 12 noon Solemn Celebration of Our Lord's Passion at 3pm | Morning Prayer at 10am Children's Station of the Cross at 11am Solemn Celebration of our Lord's Passion at 3pm Stations of the Cross starting at St Brigid's Church at 7pm | Solemn Celebration of our Lord's passion at 3pm |
| Holy Saturday 16 th April | Holy Saturday 16 th April | Holy Saturday 16 th April |
| Morning Prayer of at 10am Easter Vigil Mass of the Resurrection at 9pm | Morning prayer at 10am Easter Vigil Mass of the Resurrection at 9pm | Please join with Mount Merrion or Kilmacud |
| Easter Sunday 17th April Mass times: 10am & 11.30am | Easter Sunday 17 th April Mass times: 10am & 11.30am | Easter Sunday 17 th April Mass time: 10.30am |



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