

# 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.*

### Parish Office

The Parish Office is open Monday, Wednesday & Friday from 9.30am – 12 noon.

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## Mass Intentions For This Week

Saturday 6.30pm – Evelyn Mullaney (RD)

Sunday 10.30am – Maria Caffrey (A) & Barry Morrissey (Month's Mind)

Monday 10.00am –

Tuesday 10.00am – Service of Word & Sacrament

Wednesday 10.00am – Teresa Walsh (A)

Thursday 10.00am – Special Intention

Friday 10.00am – Noel O'Reilly (RD)



We prayerfully remember all those who are Recently Deceased & all whose Anniversaries occur at this time.

## Weekend Collections 16/17 April

1<sup>st</sup> Coll. (*The support of Priests*) €275

2<sup>nd</sup> Coll. (*Share*) €190

House to House (*Incl. S/O*) €486

*Thank you for your continued support.*

## Tap & Go Device

We are happy to let you know that our Tap & Go device is now installed at the back of the church. The Archdiocese has installed devices in over 100 parishes so far. The monies raised from the Tap & Go Device will go directly to the Diocese of Dublin. Please use the machine for your convenience and thank you for your donations.

## A Few Words from Fr Joe...

Blue skies, bright sunshine and mild days made the days after Easter very suitable for free time with family and friends for a bit of fresh air and fun. I trust that everyone who could was delighted to be out and about and with those you love and care for.

I was free all day on Tuesday and headed off early in the morning. I hadn't seen my younger sister since New Year's Day and I've missed her. As we often do we find somewhere to meet 'in the middle', I drive North, she heads South and we find a suitable place to sit and enjoy some food together. Her brainwave this time was to choose the Strandfield café just off the M1 at the Ballymascanlon turn off. The owners of this exceptional shop, garden centre and vegetarian café have built up their business to be among the very best in Ireland. The freshest of produce, a superb indoor/outdoor dining area, goats, sheep and domestic animals for the children to admire, an exceptionally pleasant place to eat and chat and hear the news. All around us families and visitors seemed so happy out, and we were struck by the number of young couples with little children. In a world with so much sorrow recently and with all the challenges of Covid, to see the willingness of these young couples to bring new life into the world, to commit themselves to the selfless love of parenting, giving their lives for years to come to the upbringing of these kids, it was very uplifting.


When we finished with Strandfield, Roisin suggested we drive just the few kilometres to Slieve Gullion Forest Park. So, with Google Maps to guide us we headed back towards Newry and at the border turned into the left at Jonesborough. For my entire adult life, this road into South Armagh, to Micah, where bombs were often placed to disrupt the Belfast to Dublin train, to Crossmaglen where even the police and army were reluctant to venture, this for us was 'bandit territory.' So, I had never seen the magnificent Slieve Gullion Park before. Not only does it have all the facilities you might expect, but also a wonderful children centered walk, with fairy doors, huge musical instruments, board walks, and little houses into which no adult could squeeze. Besides all of this there is the 5 km Forest Drive, surely one of the best kept secrets in Ireland. This safe, but twisty road makes its way around the rim of mountains that a volcano created, meaning the route is a circle in the sky with breath taking views over the ancient land of Chulainn. I was mesmerised at the beauty so close to home that I had simply never seen. All of this is an hour up the road! Who needs to travel any further! Happy Easter.

## ECUMENICAL BIBLE WEEK

Now in its ninth year, Ecumenical Bible Week, led by the Archdiocese of Dublin and the United Dioceses of Dublin and Glendalough in collaboration with many other Christian traditions, will run this year from Pentecost to Trinity Sunday, 5-12 June. The overall theme for this year is 'A New Pentecost: Moving to the Edges'.

As in previous years, EBW will have opening and closing prayer events. There will be a Theological Symposium on the afternoon of Thursday 9 June where the theme will be 'Listen to the Word'. That evening in Thinking Allowed a panel of Faith leaders will each give their 'Personal Vision of a New Pentecost'. A new event being introduced this year will focus on the experiences of the 'new' Irish.


Check out the Ecumenical Bible Week's Website at [www.bibleweek.ie](http://www.bibleweek.ie) for further information and to register for the events which will be online. You can also follow and share Ecumenical Bible Week's online posts on Facebook and Instagram.



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