

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)

•10.30am Sunday

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

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Mass Intentions For This Week

Sunday 10.30am – Monica Barker (A)

Michael Kennedy (A)

Monday 10.00am – Prayer Service

Tuesday 10.00am – Prayer Service

Wednesday 10.00am – Special Intention

Thursday 10.00am – Mary Ryan (RD)

Friday 10.00am – John Leonard (RD)



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

**“May all our faithfully departed rest in peace.
Amen.”**

Last Weekend Collections

1st Coll. (*The support of Priests*) €360

2nd Coll. (**Share**) €250

House to House (*Incl. S/O*) €350

Thank you for your continued support.

CROSSCARE ANNUAL COLLECTION

The Annual Collection for Crosscare, the social support agency of the Archdiocese of Dublin will be taken up at all Masses in the Diocese on the weekend of 17th and 18th September 2022. It will replace the usual Share collection.

Please give generously in the second collection at all Masses on 17th and 18th September next or on line at www.crosscare.ie

Knock Pilgrimage 25 Sept 2022

The Legion of Mary's annual pilgrimage to Our Lady's Shrine at Knock will take place on Sunday, 25 th September. The Coach will depart from Ryan's, Windy Arbour, at 8.10a.m sharp. Cost (including morning coffee) : Adults €25 Children €12. Contact Una 087 2253845 or Oliver 087 2939790

A Few Words from Fr Joe...

I was at Mass one day during the week at Holy Cross Monastery near Rostrevor, Co. Down. The Abbot was the presider and preacher. About 10 people made up the congregation and there were another 6 monks present. All in all, a small gathering. Mass lasted almost 50 minutes, the pace was gentle, the music really beautiful, the homily was probably a little over 10 minutes.

The Abbot explored the readings and gave a profound reflection on the Gospel values and offered some insights into how these readings might be applied to life. The main theme was reconciliation and he made a distinction between the legal process, where in the courts, with the impartial judge, attentive jury and attentive presentation of evidence, everything leads towards a judgement. In court, very often one side feels vindicated, while at the same time the other side can be distressed not to win their case. With some wisdom and insight, he compared that process with the journey towards reconciliation as an expression of faith and outcome of grace. For him reconciliation is a process where each party tries both to understand their own role in dispute, conflict or crisis and with some grace can also try to understand their antagonist. For reconciliation to be effected both parties are led towards each other, and standing on the ground of mutual respect, they can see each other. The grace, informed by prayer and reflection, brings to both sides a victory. In seeking to be people who work for reconciliation, when we are not actually in a moment of crisis, he suggested that we try and understand the roots of anger, division and conflict, seeing that very often the person who annoys, upsets or hurts us can be suffering from some stress, crisis, depression or loss and just isn't their best self. Having that insight when we are drawn into difficult situations can helps us to seek the grace of reconciliation.

I hope I have captured a little of what I carried away from that liturgy, a reflection on the Gospel that lingered with me during that day and since then.

This experience renewed my faith in the value of even small groups gathering, people participating well and presiders and preachers having a word well prepared. Maybe the 50 minutes is better suited to the Monastery!



**Listen to the
Voice of creation**
SEASON OF CREATION 2022

The Season of Creation runs from 1 September (World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation) to 4 October (the feast of Saint Francis of Assisi) each year. This ecumenical season is dedicated to prayer and action for the protection of creation. It is a time to renew our relationships with God our Creator, and with all creation, as we join together in prayer. We give thanks for all that God has made, repent for the damage that we have caused and commit ourselves to take action to protect the earth our common home. **“Listen to the voice of creation”** is the theme and invitation of this year's Season of Creation. In his message for the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation 2022, Pope Francis calls on us to use the season to "cultivate our ecological conversion" and to pray together in “the great cathedral of Creation”.

A Prayer for our Earth

All powerful God, you are present in the whole universe and in the smallest of your creatures. Pour out upon us the power of your love, that we may protect life and beauty. Bring healing to our lives, that we may protect the world and not prey on it, that we may sow beauty, not pollution and destruction. Amen. (Laudato Si', 246)

CREATION HOUR 2022

SUNDAY, 18 SEPTEMBER, AT 4PM CHURCH OF ST. THÉRÈSE, THE RISE, MOUNT MERRION

Join us in a celebration of Creation inspired by Balally parish's EARTH DAY service, and featuring excerpts from Brian Grogan's CREATION WALK: THE AMAZING STORY OF A SMALL BLUE PLANET.

With reflections, poetry, readings, and a seed exchange.

Bring along your garden seeds, (paper bag/envelope and name of plant or flower).