

# 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) will be celebrated in St. Joseph's**  
(Except Funerals & Holy Days)

● **10.30am Sunday**

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### Parish Office

Parish Office Mon, Wed & Fri - 9.30am – 11am

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## Mass Intentions For This Week

**Sunday –Eva, Pat & Ciaran Dunne (A)**



*Baptism – We joyfully welcome Jensen into the Catholic Faith and we congratulate his parents and family on this special occasion.*

**Monday –Detta Carr (A)**

**Tuesday – 10am Mass**

**Wednesday – Joseph Rodgers (RD)**

**Thursday – Richard & Alice Brennan (A)**

**Friday – Altar List of the Dead**



*We prayerfully remember  
all those who are  
Recently Deceased and whose Anniversaries  
occur at this time.  
May all our faithfully departed rest in peace. Amen.*

### Last Weekend Collections

1<sup>st</sup> Collection (*The support of Priests*) €385

2<sup>nd</sup> Collection (*Share*) €180

House to House (*Incl. S/O*) €350

*Thank you for your continued support.*



Last Sunday we invited our parishioners to join us for a 'Cuppa' after 10.30am Mass. We thought we would host a 'Hospice Coffee Morning' and try to raise some funds for this very worthy cause. A very generous total of **€1380** was the eventual amount raised for the Hospice! Thank you all for your donations and support for a truly Parish initiative and a massive thank you to all those who helped on the day!! Well done!

Feast of St Therese  
1<sup>st</sup> October



## A Few Words from Fr Joe.....

Last Saturday the three parish councils from our partnership came together in Avila retreat centre for a day of prayer and reflection. Although I knew we had really wonderful people serving on our PPC's the experience of sharing this day together really deepened my appreciation of each and every person there. We were around 20 participants and listening to each other share on faith and church and parish life was an uplifting and hope filled conversation. So, thanks to the current membership, all those who served in the past and those who are still waiting to step forward. Parishes need leadership groups.

On Monday evening, we met and chatted about volunteering, again there was a deep sense of appreciation for all those who have given enormous time, serving cheerfully in the many parish ministries. There is of course a constant turn over in volunteers and our next step in each parish is to reflect on and prepare for volunteer recruitment. There is a bit more appetite for this as we all move on from the Covid years and regain energy and think about the place that serving the needs of others plays in our lives. We know that we can't take anything for granted, that people have busy and full lives, and yet nothing in the sports, social or voluntary sector can thrive without harnessing the skills and talents of its people. So, if this is your time, do step forward and get involved in some aspect of our common life. Parishes need you.

Opening of year liturgies have brought hundreds of teenagers into the churches during the past week. There is an amazing energy when all the young people are present and the work of religion departments to prepare liturgy really shows the gifts and talents of the young. In the mindset of the Synod we have to find ways to extend our tent to make a place for them and these liturgies are a wonderful step in the right direction. Parishes need young people.

Lastly the dates for Confirmation and First Communions were shared at all masses last weekend and generally all went well. There may be a few small adjustments and then the final list can be published. We look forward to the journey towards a Spring of Sacraments.

## Synod 2023

*From Archbishop Farrell: 'This historic, month-long event gives me hope'*

On Wednesday next, lay women and men, members of religious orders, priests and bishops from around the world will gather in communion with Pope Francis to pray, reflect and discuss what a synodal Church looks like. A body has many parts and for the body to function well, to be energy filled, all the parts must play their part, and play in harmony (1 Cor 4:31). This historic month-long event gives me hope, because I am convinced that it can make a difference to our mission worldwide, and here in the Dublin Diocese. I am writing to you to ask you to join with me in giving some time and space in your thoughts and prayer to the dialogue taking place in Rome throughout the coming month. This Synod process is underpinned by the belief that Our God is not remote, but is involved in our affairs, has hopes and dreams for us as individuals, as parishes and as a diocese. God is pursuing His plan for the universe, but He desires and needs our cooperation – we are his eyes, ears, tongue, hands and feet. We must therefore constantly try to detect His voice, listen and pursue His will, as the Gospel Acclamation in today's Liturgy reminds us: "The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice, says the Lord." (John 10:27). To keep abreast with the Synod, your parish will offer a newsletter every Sunday highlighting the main issues. This newsletter will also give several links to other sources of useful information (copies available at the back of the Church). I look forward to your support for the Synod on Synodality: Communion, Participation, and Mission.

*Dermot Farrell Archbishop of Dublin*