

# 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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## Mass Intentions For This Week

**Sunday – Joseph Boylan and Deceased Members of the Boylan Family [A]**

**Monday – Patricia Giles [RD]**  
**7pm - Novena to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal**

**Tuesday – Mass**

**Wednesday – Mary Bradley [A]**

**Thursday – Mass**

**Friday – November Altar List of the Dead**



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



## Talks about Talks - Novena about Novenas

A way forward for the Novena to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal. Gentle reader, if you remember last May we held the Miraculous Medal Novena on the Mondays of that month. At the conclusion there was a will to continue, but these things take time and a decision was made to aim for October. A great many people cooperated for the success in May. The hope is that, starting on the 1st Monday in September, with an "informal" Novena on the Mondays of September, those who are interested can pray and dream together about the practical steps we can take to make the "formal" Novena in October a genuine expression of our devotion to the mother of God. If you have a desire to make our Lady better known and loved, join us on the Mondays of September to prepare to make the Novena in October a wonderful experience for Clonskeagh - and beyond! No previous experience required.

## Last Weekend Collections

1st Collection (The support of Priests) €500  
2nd Collection (Share) €255  
House to House (Incl. S/O) €350  
Thank you for your continued support.

## A few words from Fr Joe.....

During the summer, I assisted with some prayers at the marriage of Tom and Louisa in France. Tom is the son of old friends, I've known him since infancy, Louisa is from Algeria, a Berber and Muslim. It was a very new experience for me to meet people from Algeria and I had never been to a wedding where the Christian and Islamic traditions came together. I enjoyed some really interesting chats with her extended family, who mostly live now in France or Canada, seemingly modern-day Algerians, like the Irish of old, tend to emigrate in search of opportunities and prosperity. On the morning after the wedding her father came to find me. "I have a dream Fr Joe" he said warmly, "of bringing you one day to visit my home village." He went on to ask if I knew of St Augustine of Hippo, which of course I had, we all learnt one line from his writing, 'my soul O Lord is restless until it rests in You'. He explained that his village is right by the ancient site of Hippo and it seemed he knew a lot more about St Augustine than I did! I thought of him fondly during the week on the Feast Day of St Augustine. If you read anything at all about St Augustine and his life, you will discover that he had a brilliant mind, a great gift for public speaking and deep love for women, certainly in the romantic way. Then he came to know of Jesus, the Gospel and the church made up of his followers and disciples. He was converted, nudged on by his mother Monica, and he became one of the great leaders and teachers in the history of religion. I'm always struck by how one person can be used by God to transform the culture of their day and guide those who search for truth towards our Lord and Master, Jesus Christ. I hope and pray that God might gift us someone to transform our faith in this new age of technology and social media.

## Archbishop's Pastoral Letter

It is fairly rare now for the leader of the church in Dublin to address a letter to all of us. This weekend copies of his recent pastoral letter are available from the tables near the doors and online at www.dublindiocese.ie This is a moment in time when the reality of becoming a smaller church is happening all around us. He invites us to read the letter, attend a local meeting and then be introduced to the pastoral resources which will guide the change process.

The 'Season of Creation' kicks off this weekend as we carry on reflecting on the papal address, Laudato Si and implementing change in our relationship with and appreciation of our God given world and all of creation.

Fr Joe Mullan



## TO HOPE AND ACT WITH CREATION

SEASON OF CREATION 2024

*The firstfruits of hope*  
(Rom 8:19-25)

### 1st September – 4th October 2024

Let us pray...

May your Creator Spirit help us in our weakness, so that we may know the redeeming power of Christ and the hope found in him.

May the groans of the Spirit birth in us a willingness to serve you faithfully, so that we may hear and heal Creation, to hope and act together with her, so that the first fruits of hope may blossom. Amen

## Annual Pilgrimage to Our Lady's Shrine at Knock



The Legion of Mary Annual Pilgrimage to Our Lady's Shrine at Knock will take place on *Sunday, 29th September 2024*. All welcome. The coach departs from Ryan's Pub, Windy Arbour at 8:10am sharp.

*Cost (incl. coffee & scone):*  
*Adults - €30, Children - €15*  
*Contact Una 087 2253845*

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### Rosary at the Grotto

For all our own intentions, a public Rosary will be recited at the Grotto, St. Columbanus Rd./Patrick Doyle Rd.(near the Windy Arbour Luas stop ) at 3p.m. on Friday, 6h September. All are welcome. Please come along and invite your friends and neighbours as well. (Arranged by the Legion of Mary)