

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

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## Mass Intentions For This Week

**Sunday – Peter McNamee[A]  
Peter Brett [A]  
Gerard and Ina Cleere [A]**

**Monday – Breda Geoghan [A]  
7pm - Novena to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal**

**Tuesday – Mass**

**Wednesday – Mass**

**Thursday – Mass**

**Friday – Mass**



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 Collection (The support of Priests) €350  
2nd Collection (Crosscare) €900  
House to House (Incl. S/O) €350  
Thank you for your continued support.

**Crosscare** held its Annual Appeal for those most in need last weekend.

The total amount realised was **€900**.

Sincere thanks for your generous support of the Crosscare collection. If you missed the collection here at Mass you can donate online at

[www.crosscare.ie](http://www.crosscare.ie)

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## Diocesan Safeguarding Day 2024

Below is an extract from Archbishop Farrell's Letter

"This Sunday, 22 September, is Diocesan Safeguarding Sunday. The theme for this year is *A Safe and Welcoming Church for Children and Vulnerable Adults*. The decision to give the child safeguarding policy of the Catholic Church in Ireland a new title reflects a change in our understanding and approach to safeguarding. We understand that safeguarding is not simply a response to the crisis brought about by disclosures of abuse in the Church but is something deeply rooted in gospel values, scripture and Church teaching.

This Safeguarding Day of 2024, I ask you to reflect on how you and your fellow parishioners relate to children, young people and vulnerable adults. Is yours a safe and welcoming parish? If the answer is yes, are there further avenues to be explored? Conscious of Pope Francis's call to go to the margins, is there more we can all do to reach out to the most vulnerable in society, adults as well as children, so that they may know the love of God through involvement in his Church?"

+Dermot Farrell Archbishop of Dublin

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

Don't you just love the blue skies, warm breeze and sunny days, bright and dry! The weather shouldn't really matter but when there is a little summery spell, unexpected but oh so welcome, life just seems better. Yet with the warm weather this week also came some thick, cold and discomforting fog on Wednesday morning. Thankfully it didn't last long, but the fog changes everything. We can't see the familiar landmarks, oncoming traffic, or what direction we are travelling in. It is so very easy to lose your way in the fog.

I was enjoying the lovely weather when the news came to me that the body of Margaret Barber had been found. It was a bitter sweet moment, confirming our worst fears that Margaret had died when she went missing and also giving some sense of relief that she wasn't lost anymore. Almost everyone I spoke to thought first of her family and hoped that there would be some comfort for them in getting the clarity that this news brought. Yet there was also in every conversation such a deep sense of loss, pondering how could this wonderful woman leave us all in this way.

I remember using the analogy of the fog at the funeral of my cousin who died by suicide, he became detached from all the normal loving relationships in this life, lost his bearings and went from us so suddenly and unexpectedly. It's so hard to understand depression, the invisible condition that envelopes a person and can lead them to act in such an extreme way, with devastating consequences for everyone left behind. I guess it's like the fog, blocking out all that is close by, a supportive and loving family and friends and it brings a despair which can lead to great loss.

I pray that Margaret is at peace, that some comfort will come to her family and that we can all honour her memory in a spirit of gratitude for all the many blessings in her life. I think too of everyone who is affected by depression and hope they find their way through the fog to the embrace of those who love them so much. I hope that all the organisations that support those who suffer in this way will always be there to help.

Fr Joe Mullan

Clonskeagh Parish  
Miraculous Medal Novena  
**Amongst Women**  
Mondays in Rosary Month  
October 7pm

A group of us continue to gather on Mondays of this month to pray for the success of the novena in October. Join us if you like, 7.00pm to 7.30pm and lend a hand (or a prayer) for the success of the Novena to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal.

Visit of the Relics of St. Bernadette to Our Lady of Victories Church Ballymun Road D09 Y925: 25/26/27th September 2024 Dublin Diocese Programme

**Saint Bernadette**  
Relic Pilgrimage Ireland 2024  
Wednesday 25th September

2.00 pm	Service of Welcome Archbishop Dermot Farrell Followed by The Rosary while preparing for the Veneration
4.00 pm – 6.30pm	Veneration of the Relics with Water Gesture Available
7.00 pm	Blessed Sacrament Procession (Holy hour) & Blessing of sick.
8.00pm – 9.00pm	Veneration of the Relics with Water Gesture Available Sacrament of Reconciliation available.
9.00pm	The day concludes with Mass
<b>Thursday 26th September</b>	
10.00am	A visit from some of our schools
11.00am	Veneration of the Relics with Water Gesture Available Sacrament of Reconciliation available.
12.00	Mass of Anointing of the Sick
2.00pm – 7.30pm	Veneration of the Relics with Water Gesture Available Sacrament of Reconciliation available.
8.00pm	Torchlight Procession
10.00pm	Night Prayer/Prayer moment
<b>Friday 27th September</b>	
10.00am	Mass & Departure of the Relic to Ardagh & Clonmacnoise