

# 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) will be celebrated in St. Joseph's (Except Funerals & Holy Days)
- 10.30am Sunday

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## Mass Intentions For This Week

**Sunday – Brenda Geoghan [A]  
Colin Mooney [A]**

**Monday – Mass  
7pm - Novena to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal**

**Tuesday – Feast of St Therese**

**Wednesday – Mass**

**Thursday – Mass**

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



We extend our sympathy to the families of **Gwen Conlon and Sheila Usher** whose funerals were celebrated in our church this week.

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."

## Feast of St Therese 1st October



Mass in honour of the Feast of St Therese will be celebrated in Mount Merrion Church at 10am.



You are invited to join us for a 'Cuppa' after 10.30am Mass this Sunday morning as we host a 'Hospice Coffee Morning'.  
Please come along and join us.

## Last Weekend Collections

**1st Collection (The support of Priests) €535**  
**2nd Collection (Share) €200**  
**House to House (Incl. S/O) €350**  
Thank you for your continued support.

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

Four years ago we were very excited to welcome Fr Donie O'Connor to our parish partnership as a full time curate. Fr Donie had extensive pastoral ministry in Africa and brought his own unique and special gift for ministry here. Donie settled in very quickly and became a familiar figure around the parish with his Kerry accent, broad smile, huge heart and engaging personality. He presided at Mass with a warm and inclusive style, he brought huge comfort to the bereaved at funerals and entertained the young people at every school liturgy. He encouraged good music at Mass and guided the work of the Parish Pastoral Council. He became a valued colleague to all of us who work here and always lifted our spirits with his sense of fun.

Earlier this year Donie got the upsetting news of the terminal diagnosis received by his brother Tim. He felt called to go and spend time supporting and comforting Tim and his family and remained with them during the final illness, death and funeral. Since then Donie has found it hard to regain his energy and his capacity for full time ministry as he was drained and exhausted. Now in consultation with his leadership team at the Mill Hill Missionaries in Rathgar he is withdrawing from his parish appointment here. No doubt this is very hard for him but it is also a wise decision. With his religious community, he can have the support and care that will help him regain what he has lost. There is no doubt that God has plans for another chapter in Fr Donie's life and ministry. We all join in saying a huge thank you to Donie for all that he has done and shared with us and to wish him health and happiness.

Fr Peter Johnson who has been attached to Kilmacud Parish during his studies here in Ireland has offered to remain with us in the coming year. Fr Peter will be able to take on most of Fr Donie's responsibilities and with his assistance we can continue to provide our current level of pastoral care. We are grateful to Fr Peter for staying on.

Fr Joe Mullan



Miraculous Medal Novena

## Amongst Woman

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.

## Praying with... St. Ignatius

In this year of prayer, take some time to learn a little about the life of St Ignatius, pray in the ways of Ignatian Spirituality and connect with fellow young people of faith



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Monday 30th September  
7pm - 9pm

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