

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

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

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Mass Intentions For This Week

Sunday – John Naughten [RD]

Monday – Noel Jones [RD]

7pm - Novena to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal

Tuesday – Jean Simpson [RD]

Wednesday – Bernard & Elizabeth Carr [RD]

Thursday – Martin [Mattie] Feeney [RD]

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) €360

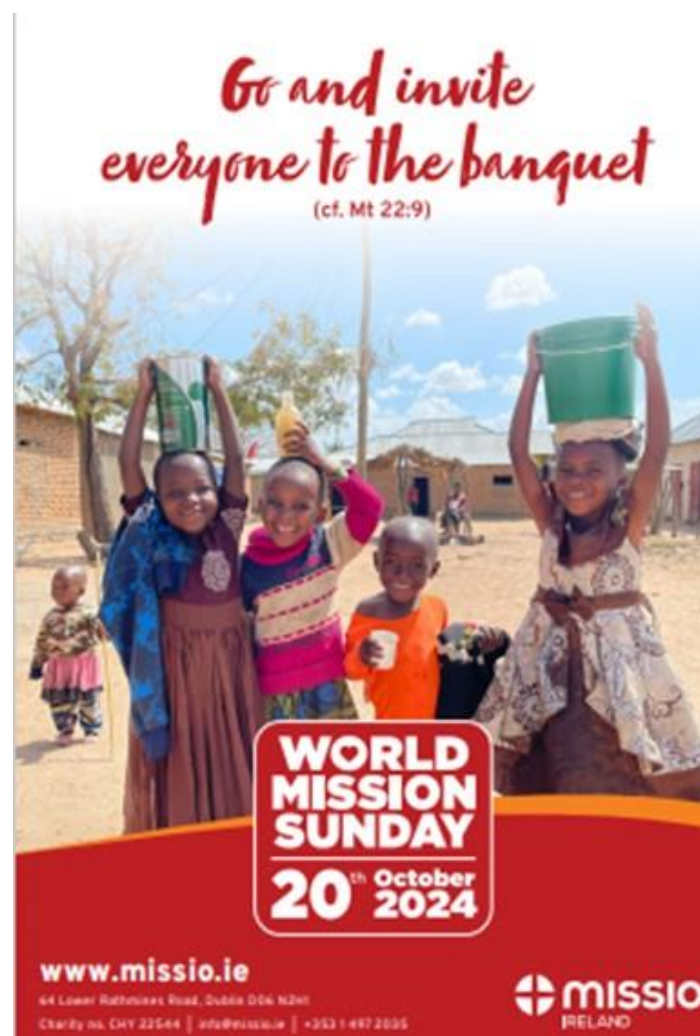
2nd Collection (Share) €265

House to House (Incl. S/O) €350

Thank you for your continued support.

World Mission Sunday

World Mission Sunday is the Holy Father's annual appeal for spiritual and financial support so that the life-giving work of overseas mission and missionaries can continue. It always falls on the second last Sunday in October, and like the Good Friday collection for the Holy Land and Peter's Pence, it is one of three yearly universal Church collections.



A Few Words from Fr Joe.....

My father never made it to America. My mum's sister lived in Chicago and naturally there was an open invitation, when she went to visit he dropped her at the airport and went fishing on Lough Sheelin instead. America remained a mystery for him, and he had few regrets. Having been here now for exactly 2 weeks, after an absence of 5 years, I feel like I'm reawakening to this familiar but strangely different place. It's so vast, the people so loud and the food portions huge. Points and vouchers are promoted everywhere in the hope of establishing 'loyalty' when in reality they're just another marketing tool. It's expensive too, and that's before adding a 20% tip to every restaurant bill and parking charges are just mad, \$42 dollars a day at one hotel and \$69 at another. So what's the appeal, what did my dad miss? Well it's both the people and the place, warm and friendly Americans are the norm and the natural beauty is just spectacular. My visit was for a nephew's wedding and against the backdrop of the Rocky Mountains the occasion was awesome, as they say! I was struck by how often folks here say 'I love you.' I know a wedding is a suitable occasion for affection and affirmations but they really do say it often and mean it!

Naturally I spent a certain amount of time visiting churches, participating in daily and Sunday Mass and meeting parishioners and brother priests. In general they remain very positive about the church, love the liturgy, music, preaching and being Catholic. I've no doubt they are affected by all the same concerns we have here but their culture still supports a religious identity and they don't dwell so much on past hurts.

Visiting my closest priest friend was telling, he is 78, has stepped down from the role of pastor, but as there was no one to replace him he remains in the same parish, had 3 weekend Masses and seems to do as much as when I last stayed. His parish is partnered with another, they are desperately short of priests and only slowly coming to terms with the changes this demands. So that was all very familiar.

I'm writing on the way to the airport, the long flight home, and then returning to work and getting over jet lag awaits me. But well rested, refreshed by the experiences and I'm more than ready to get stuck in.

Fr Joe Mullan

Moderator Clonskeagh, Kilmacud & Mount Merrion Parishes



The Miraculous Medal is a heavenly gift to us from Mary. It's everyone's Medal, because she is everyone's Mother. Moreover, she wants us to wear it with love and trust—not superstitiously like a lucky charm.

It's a reminder, a tangible sign through which she expresses her Motherly love and desire to help us. We need to wear it as her true children, trying our best to imitate her virtues, to grow deeper in our faith, and to see beyond our own needs and reach out to help the poor, the forgotten, and the lonely.

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Amongst Women

Novena to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal

With Meditations for the Month of the Rosary

**Monday 7pm
October 21st
2024**

"By its nature the recitation of the Rosary calls for a quiet rhythm and a lingering pace, helping the individual to meditate on the mysteries of the Lord's life as seen through the eyes of her who was closest to the Lord. In this way the unfathomable riches of these mysteries are unfolded."

Clonskeagh News

• Last week's **Coffee Morning** raised **€600** which has been forwarded to Our Lady's Hospice. *We thank you for your continued generosity.*

• Fr Donie plans to return to each of the three parishes to say farewell over three weeks.

Dates below:

26/27 Oct - Mount Merrion

3 Nov - Clonskeagh

9/10 Nov - Kilmacud

We bid Fr Donie a fond farewell and thank him for his ministry here with us in Clonskeagh Parish.

'Adopt' & Pray For An Assembly Member

Would you like to pray for a particular member of the Synod for the remainder of October?

A special online platform has been set up to allow you to do this. The Synod prayer campaign also sends a daily email with a guide for how to pray for the "adopted" Synod delegate during the Vatican assembly. Visit the website www.oremusprosynodo.org and give your email address – you will then see the name of a Synod delegate to pray for.