# 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 Email: clonskeaghparish@gmail.com

Sacristy/Parish Office Telephone: 01 2837948 Website: www.clonskeaghparish.ie

## Mass Intentions for this Week

Sunday – Teresa English [A]

Barry Morrissey [A]

Ann Brady [A]



Beannachtaí na Féile Pádraig! Monday – Judy Brown [A]

Tuesday - Craig Powell [RD]

Wednesday - Special Intention

Thursday – Billy Hennessy [RD]

Friday - Billy Lawler [RD



We extend our sympathy to the family of **Billy Lawler**,

whose funeral was held in the Church this

Billy was a longtime parishioner and volunteer in Clonskeagh Parish and he will be fondly remembered by all who knew this kind, gentle soul.

"May he rest in peace. Amen."

# The Season of Lent

'Lent is a season of Fasting, Prayer, and Alms Giving in preparation for the joy of Easter'



# Rosary at the Grotto



In preparation for the Annunciation of the Lord, a public Rosary will be recited at the Grotto, St. Columbanus Rd. (near the Windy Arbour Luas stop) at 3p.m. on Friday, 21<sup>st</sup> March. All are welcome. Please come along and invite your friends and neighbours as well. (Arranged by the Legion of Mary)

#### **Last Weekend Collections**

1st Collection (The support of Priests) €505 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection (Share) €440 House to House (Incl. S/O) €425 Thank you for your continued support.

**Psalm 1:24** 

"Be strong and take heart, all you who hope in the LORD"

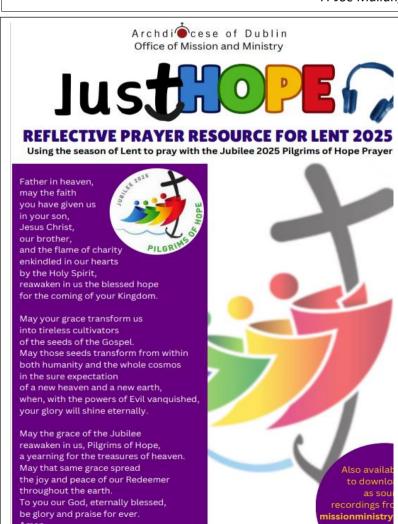
### A Few Words From Fr Joe.....

Some say that the best place to celebrate St Patrick's Day is anywhere in the world, other than Ireland! This really isn't entirely fair, there are lots of positive dimensions to the local celebrations here on the island of Ireland, Masses, parades, cultural events, a break from work and school, and a relaxing day for one and all. However, the quip about it being better overseas tells a truth too, it seems our Irish culture and identity comes to the surface among the diaspora and those who are associated with our nation overseas. Of course, there is a bit of distortion, too much emphasis on the colour green, the drink and fairy tales, but it is undeniable that the Irish are known, and mostly liked all over the world. We are perhaps a more nomadic nation than we realise and with the combination of economic migration, church mission and the search for adventure, so many have left these shores and found a new home elsewhere. In the modern world, successive Irish governments have built on this establishing diplomatic, economic and cultural links with an amazing number of nations.

In the past, it was said of the Irish emigrants that they brought a great love of family, an ethic of hard work and a deep faith. With these characteristics, it is little wonder that our forbearers settled into their new communities so well, contributed much and prospered. Mostly those early migrants were remitting money home, sending tickets for others to join them and contributing to both economies. Perhaps the young Irish who leave today, heading off down under, to the Middle East, or even to America and the UK bring more education and professional competency that of old, but I'm sure they still want to be connected to home and ultimately to return.

This weekend we think of them all, those from times past and those escaping from a housing crisis and seeking opportunity and adventure elsewhere. May their love of family, work ethic and deep faith continue to support their endeavours, keep them safe and remind them of home. May God and St Patrick watch over them all.

Fr Joe Mullan, Moderator Clonskeagh, Kilmacud & Mount Merrion Parishes



"For who is there who does not feel the craving to be rid of the threat of war, and to see peace preserved and made daily more secure?"

PACEM IN TERRIS, Pope John XXIII, 1963



Legion of Mary - Patrician Meeting

" Pacem in Terris: The Teaching of the Catholic

Church on War and Peace"

Whitefriar Street Community Centre, Aungier Street,

Dublin 2.

Saturday, March 29th, 2025.

11.00 a.m - 12.30 p.m approx.