

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)

•10.30am Sunday

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The Parish Office is open Monday, Wednesday & Friday from 9.30am – 12 noon.

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Mass Intentions For This Week

Sunday 10.30am – Frank, Thelma & Peter McHugh (A) &

Kathleen, James & Desmond Roche (A)

Monday 10.00am – Mass

Tuesday 10.00am – Prayer Service

Wednesday 10.00am – Greg O'Neill (RD)

Thursday 10.00am – Christina Gannon (RD)

Friday 10.00am – Andrew McKay (RD)



We prayerfully remember all those who are Recently Deceased & all whose Anniversaries occur at this time.
"May all our faithfully departed rest in peace. Amen."

Last Weekend Collections

1st Coll. (*The support of Priests*)
€360

2nd Coll. (**Peter's Pence**) €421

House to House (*Incl. S/O*) €425

Thank you for your continued support.

Car Park

As you will notice the Church Car Park now has Pay & Display in operation.

Please note that there will not be any charge during Mass times.



Archbishop Farrell is once again asking the parishioners to make a summer offering towards the support and up keep of their priests.

"As Covid restrictions reduced significantly the monies collected in parishes earlier in the year the summer offering will help to make up the shortfall."
Envelopes available at the back of the Church.
Thank you for your support.

A Few Words from Fr Joe...

Many single people eat alone most of the time, maybe with the radio playing in the background; familiar voices and music softens the isolation. As someone who is single, and lives alone I can speak both to the value and pain of sitting without company at the table, meal after meal, day after day until it becomes so normal that you forget that food is best shared!

Holidays can interrupt that pattern of behaviour and that has certainly been my experience for the past two weeks. Breakfast is so much more relaxed when you aren't looking at the clock, watching your time and thinking about the first work commitment of the day. It also tastes so much better in the garden, still wearing pyjamas and unwashed. The simple joy of answering questions like 'How did you sleep?' and "Do you dream?" is a blessing of being in company. Then planning the day, rather than the desk diary determining the agenda, is pure bliss. Those seven breakfasts, in company with a couple of friends, were my holiday highlight.

Week two was also very pleasant, but in a totally different way, 12 visitors arrived, 3 couples, 6 children. The drought of company caused by Covid brought the younger generation, with spouses and kids, home from Australia, USA and Scotland. It was summer of 2018/19 since we had last met and boy but those kids had changed. It was funny making introductions again, one who was 3 last visit, and is now 6 needed a couple of days to rediscover who all these 'aunties and uncles' are, when in fact we are the 'great aunties and uncles!' Meal times were a hoot, you quickly discover that different words are used in the various countries for similar foods, condiments and cutlery. Some eat happily with food piled on the plate, another likes everything separated. Phones and tablets were of course banned from the table, as was shouting, but every meal mattered. The sheer energy, the unbridled joy and the occasional quiet or withdrawn child, was very joyful.

Finally, I return to my own house, and share breakfast with Fr John, and that too is just lovely.

I say all of this to remind myself, and all of us, that breaking bread together, sitting down in company, sharing the stories of life and planning for the day and time ahead is best done with others.

Our shared life in parish and church, day by day and Sunday after Sunday, needs these moments of sitting together, talking, listening, sharing. We are better together, please encourage your own people to return to the Eucharist, to the gathering of the community and the breaking of the Bread.

Peter's Pence Collection

The Peter's Pence collection was taken up at Mass last weekend. The total amount realised was €421. The collection provides Pope Francis with the funds he needs to carry out his charitable works and apostolic mission around the world.
Thank you for your generosity to this collection.
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DCU THEOLOGY SCHOLARSHIPS

Study Theology and World Religions at the postgraduate level at DCU. The MA programme has been expanded to include a strong comparative and interreligious component: it is an MA in Theology and World Religions. The programme will go ahead in the coming academic year on campus, as it did last year. The Theology programme is carried out on the beautiful All Hallows Campus in Drumcondra. The DCU BA in Theology and Religious Studies is a part-time, flexible programme is designed for mature students, and holds lectures on Thursday evenings and a handful of Saturdays throughout the year. Classes are small and academic support is provided for all students. Scholarships are available for new incoming students
Visit <https://www.dcu.ie/your-guide-to-student-application-portals/>

Brown Scapular Enrolment Ceremony

This ceremony in honour of Our Lady of Mount Carmel will take place next **Saturday, 16th July in Holy Cross Church, Dundrum at 3p.m.**
Programme is as follows:
Rosary
Talk
Brown Scapular Enrolment
Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament
All are very welcome. Scapulars will be available at the Church.