# **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

Welcome Back -

Clonskeagh Parish Choir will resume this weekend at the 10.30am Mass. We welcome them back after their summer break and look forward to raising our voices in joyful celebration at Mass. \*

We would like to welcome back staff and pupils of Our Lady's National School after their summer break. We wish them all blessings as they return for the coming academic year!

#### Mass Intentions For This Week

Sunday 10.30am - Antonia, Bobby & Paguita Hume (A)

Brian Burke (A)

Monday 10.00am - John Leonard (RD)

Tuesday 10.00am – Joe Cregan (RD)

Wednesday 10.00am – Jean Henry (RD)

Thursday 10.00am - Special Intention

Friday 10.00am - Susan & William Hayden and

Imelda, Patty & Maureen Hayden (A)



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** 1<sup>st</sup> Coll. (*The support of Priests*) €265 2<sup>nd</sup> Coll. (**Share**) €165 House to House (*Incl. S/O*) €450 Thank you for your continued support.



There will be a 'Cup of Tea' in St Joseph's on Friday 9 September after the 10am Mass.

All welcome.

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Rosary at the Grotto The Legion of Mary was started by Frank Duff on 7th September 1921. To mark the closing of its Centenary year, 7th September 2022 and the eve of Our Lady's birthday, 8th September. The Rosary and the full Legion prayers will be recited at 3p.m. at the Grotto, Patrick Doyle Rd (near Windy Arbour Luas stop), on Wednesday, 7th September. Everybody will be warmly welcomed on this special occasion.

(Arranged by the Legion of

Mary)

# A Few Words from Fr Joe...

30 years ago I hugged Barbara and said goodbye. It was the last day of our 3 years as post grad students in Rome and the whole group went for a mass, a meal and with back slaps and hugs we promised to keep in touch, wished each other well and left for home. Barbara was unusual in our group, being a young German woman, studying theology and with a strong desire to teach religion. I hardly ever thought about her again, until an email arrived a couple of weeks ago. Her strong, bouncy, joyful manner came across in the few lines she wrote. Was I the 'Joe Mullan' from her class she asked? Already pretty sure that I was in fact that Joe, she went out explain that she would be on a cruise with her husband, Heinrich, and as there was a stop in Dublin, could I possibly meet them on Saturday 27th August, at Dun Laoghaire around 8.30am? Well what could I say! So I rose early last Saturday and headed to the terminal where the cruise ships send their passengers ashore. I sent her a picture in advance, even though I've hardly changed! I had no idea what she might look like now, but as I approached the pick up spot, there they were, big smiles, another hug and in a blink 30 years melted away.

Spending the day with them, including their coming here for the wedding I was celebrating at 1.00pm, was just fascinating. Heinrich had answered the call to become a Deacon, left his well paid job and taken on the post of Chaplain in a huge prison. His stories were so moving, as you can imagine many of the prisoners are far from home, lonely and very dependant on their chaplain. Barbara had indeed become that teacher and for many years has led teenagers into a deeper relationship with the Lord and their church, and I can only imagine that her upbeat demeanour made her classes popular.

Later in the day they talked about the Synodal process, their hopes for the future of the church and expressed many opinions. As you might imagine most of what seemed important to them is precisely what we have been talking about here in Ireland. The role of women in the church was a real concern for both of them, along with equality, welcome, youth evangelisation and being a church that cherishes, sustains and challenges each and ever person. By 5.00pm it was time to hug again on the quayside, behind her was the huge ship waiting to sail onto its next port of call, hopefully this time it won't take us 30 years to meet again!

### **Season of Creation**

The Season of Creation runs from 1 September (World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation) to 4 October (the feast of Saint Francis of Assisi) each year. This ecumenical season is dedicated to prayer and action for the protection of creation. It is a time to renew our relationships with God our Creator, and with all creation, as we join together in prayer. We give thanks for all that God has made, repent for the damage that we have caused and commit ourselves to take action to protect the earth our common home. "Listen to the voice of creation" is the theme and invitation of this year's Season of Creation. In his message for the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation 2022, Pope Francis calls on us to use the season to "cultivate our ecological conversion" and to pray together in "the great cathedral of Creation".

Parish OF The Assumption & Sts. Columbanus & Gall, Milltown, Dublin 6







## SEASON OF CREATION 2022

Milltown Parish invite you to the following talks in the Parish Pastoral Centre on Thursday evenings at 7.30pm.

> Thursday, September 8th The Unfolding Story of the Universe Diarmuid O'Murchu MSC

Thursday, September 15th The Journey of Creation and Laudato Si Denise Boyle FMDM

Thursday, September 22nd Listening to the Wisdom of Autumn Mary Rose Crowe MSHR

Thursday, September 29th Practical Kindness to the Environment - Dos and Don'ts of Retrofitting Gerry McManus MRIA