

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

Parish Office Mon, Wed & Fri - 9.30am – 12noon.

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Mass Intentions For This Week

Sunday 10.30am - Kay Twomey (Month's Mind)

Martin Leonard (A)

Shane Hegarty Dempsey (A)

Deceased Members of the Keane

Family & Kevin Redmond (A)

John Kennedy (A)

Miriam Hegarty (A)

Baptism – We joyfully welcome Ailbhe into the Catholic Faith and we congratulate her parents and family on this special occasion.



Monday 10.00am – Claire Helen Forrest (RD)

Tuesday 10.00am – Kay Twomey (RD)

Wednesday 10.00am – Special Intention

Thursday 10.00am – Mary Andrews (RD)

Friday 10.00am – Altar List of the Dead



We extend our sympathy to the family of
Sheila Roe

whose funeral was held in this Church.

“May all our faithfully departed rest in peace. Amen.”

Cup of Tea



Please join us after the 10.30am Mass on Sunday, for a chance to gather and chat with a nice 'Cuppa' and maybe even a biscuit! With the heating problem in the church, we are going to have the 'Cuppa' in St Josephs after Mass on Sunday.

TURKEY & SYRIA EARTHQUAKE COLLECTION

Archbishop Farrell has given approval for a diocesan collection to be taken up in support of the people affected by the devastating earthquakes in Turkey and Syria. It will take place on this weekend, the First Sunday of Lent, **26 February 2023**. The funds raised will be channelled through Trócaire, who are working with partners in the affected areas. They have the capability to ensure that any funds raised in Ireland will be managed appropriately to meet the needs of those most badly affected. *This will replace the SHARE collection.*

Visiting SMA Missionary Priest

Next weekend 5 March, an SMA Missionary priest will visit the parish to speak about Mission Awareness and their work in Africa. Envelopes will be available for those who want to make a contribution. Thank You.

Last Weekend Collections

1st Coll. (*The support of Priests*) €290

2nd Coll. (*Share*) €370

House to House (*Incl. S/O*) €350

Thank you for your continued support.

Seeing Your Life Through the Lens of the Gospel 26 February 2023: Matthew 4:1-11

In today's Gospel Jesus is enticed to gratify His own needs, or to perform some spectacular act in public. He rejects the temptation because He chooses commitment to His mission and to dependence on his Father over any immediate gratification.

We can all be tempted to go for some immediate satisfaction, but is that where happiness lies? Have you found that sometimes there is more contentment in saying 'no' for the sake of some long-term goal? What are the goals, aims, values that inspire you in this way?

One way of looking at this Gospel is to say that Jesus went into the desert to face His demons. We all have demons we need to face – compulsions, fears, prejudices, anger, and urges that lurk within. It is in facing our demons that we find a way to live a fuller life. Can you recall a time when you grew through facing a 'demon' in this way?

In one of her reflections Joyce Rupp describes Lent as a 'time to rediscover lost treasures'. Is there something that once was a healthy part of your life and is no longer there: e.g., reading, exercise, mindfulness, prayer, socialising, fun? Would this Lent be a time to rediscover that lost treasure?

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The Season of Lent

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



Alms Giving

Trocaire once again invite us to join in with their Lenten Campaign. *Trocaire boxes are available from the church for those who want to contribute their Lenten Alms to the developing world through this outstanding church agency.*

All families in the parish are encouraged to take the pack from the back of the church and join in the Lenten Campaign.

Repair Notice

The heating in the Main Church is out of order. The new part is being manufactured and it will be several weeks before it is repaired. We ask for your understanding and patience as we get the heating system repairs carried out. St Joseph's heating is not affected and we continue to celebrate our weekday 10am Masses as usual (*Except Funerals & Holy Days*).

PEOPLE OF HOPE - LENTEN FAITH-SHARING GROUP

The holy season of Lent is just around the corner. Are you looking for a focus this Lent? Are you hungry for the Word of God, spiritual nourishment?

Please join us as we reflect on the Scriptures from the Sundays in Lent. Each of the six sessions (60 minutes) uses a different character from the Lenten Scriptures as a focus for reflection and sharing. The "People of Hope" for the six sessions are JESUS; PETER, JAMES AND JOHN; SAMARITAN WOMAN; BLIND MAN; LAZARUS; and US. The resource has been provided by the Archdiocese of Dublin Office of Mission and Ministry and the meetings will be facilitated by Bernadette McIvor.

The meetings will take place in the **Meeting Room of the Mount Merrion Parish Office** from 10.30am -11.30am on the following **Wednesdays – 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29 March** Please leave your name and telephone number with the Parish Office (01-2881271) by Monday 20 February if you would like to attend.

Building Hope

Across the diocese, 90% of parish responses to the *Building Hope* survey last year stated the need for Faith Formation of various kinds. The first of the Faith Development initiatives supporting *Building Hope* and the four dimensions of the Framework for Pastoral Renewal are detailed below.

Building Hope through Servant Leadership

Five sessions on Monday evenings in Lent to introduce you to the practice of servant leadership: February 27, March 6, March 13, March 20, March 27, all 7.30pm to 9pm in St Paul's Centre for Mission & Ministry, Arran Quay. This is especially for all those in parish ministries and pastoral councils. Led by Peter Siney and Patricia Carroll.

To register please email peter.siney@dublindiocese.ie