# 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**

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## **Mass Intentions For This Week**

Sunday 10.30am – Barry Morrissey (A)

John Mangan & Ann Brady (A)

Monday 10.00am – Special Intention

Nuala Scullion (RD)

Tuesday 10.00am – David Crowe (RD)

Wednesday 10.00am – Barry Morrissey (A)

Thursday 10.00am – Richard McDonagh (RD)



Friday 10.30am – St. Patrick, bishop, Principal Patron of Ireland



We also prayerfully remember all those who are Recently Deceased and whose Anniversaries occur at this time.

"May all our faithfully departed rest in peace. Amen."

### Visiting SMA Missionary Priest

Last weekend, Fr Tom Faherty, an SMA Missionary priest visited the parish to speak about Mission Awareness and their work in Africa.

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Envelopes are still available at the back of the Church for those who want to make a contribution. Thank You.



Lenten Journey in Song Kerrie O Connor and the group VOX HIBERNIAE will lead a Lenten Journey in Song from Jerusalem to Calvary over two Sundays in St Michael's Church, Dun Laoghaire.

Part 1: Sunday 12th March, 4-5pm

*Part 2: Sunday 2nd April, 4-5pm.* All welcome.

Last Weekend Collections

1<sup>st</sup> Coll. (*The support of Priests*) €335 2<sup>nd</sup> Coll. (*Share*) €285 House to House (*Incl. S/O*) €450

Thank you for your continued support.

"Be strong and take heart, all you who hope in the LORD" *Psalm 1:24* 

# Seeing Your Life Through the Lens of the Gospel

# Third Sunday of Lent -12 March 2023

Jesus leads the woman along a wonderful journey towards a deeper, fuller human life. You can enter the story from the perspective of the woman. Recognise her resistance to growth, her complacency, her evasions, and her eventual acceptance, partial though it was, of Jesus. When have you, or others, made a similar journey in your relationship with God? with others? with your own self?

The woman is attracted by what Jesus is saying, but from very human motives: the thought of having water in such a way that she did not have to come and draw it from the well. We can be attracted to Jesus by very mixed motives, some of them matters of personal interest – belonging, community, security, … What have been the human motives that have attracted you to faith, prayer, religion, church and that have been steppingstones to a deeper personal relationship with Jesus. Perhaps we can also see the same movement in the growth of some of our human relationships.

You can also enter the story with Jesus, the ideal leader, parent, teacher, or spiritual guide. Notice how he meets the woman where she is, needing her assistance, how he is patient with her, but also challenges her to grow to what she is capable of.

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Beannachtaí na Féile Pádraig!

Patrick preached and converted all of <u>Ireland</u> for 40 years. He worked many miracles and wrote of his love for <u>God</u> in his "Confessions". After years of living in poverty, travelling and enduring much suffering he died March 17, 461.

In His Footsteps: Patrick was a humble, pious, gentle man, whose love and total devotion to and trust in <u>God</u> is a shining example to each of us. He feared nothing, not even death, so complete was his trust in God, and of the importance of his mission to the Irish. *Here in Clonskeagh Parish* we will celebrate the **Feast** of St. Patrick with Mass at 10.30am on 17 March.

#### **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)*.

#### The Season of Lent

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



*Lent – a time to rediscover the direction of life* 'Because in life's journey, as in every journey, what really matters is not to lose sight of the goal. We should ask ourselves: On the journey of life, do I seek the way forward?

Pope Francis

**Fasting-** Some ideas of fasting include: Fast from judging others, fast from harsh words, fast from discontent, fast from anger, fast from worry, fast from complaining & fast from idle gossip.

**Alms Giving** -Trocaire once again invite us to join in with their Lenten Campaign. *All families in the parish are encouraged to take the pack from the back of the church and join in the Lenten Campaign.* 



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: 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.

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