

Clonskeagh Parish Newsletter

Let us remember those who are
sick and housebound in our Parish
today!



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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 – Judy Brown (RD)

Monday 11.00am – Phil Fitzpatrick (RD)

Tuesday 10.00am – Judy Brown (RD)

Wednesday 10.00am – Judy Brown (RD)

Thursday - 10.00am – Phil Considine (RD)

Friday - 10.00am – Altar List of the Dead



*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.”

Last Weekend Collections

1st Coll. *(The support of Priests)* €415

2nd Coll. *(Share)* €260

House to House *(Incl. S/O)* €350

Thank you for your continued support.



The children from **Our Lady's N.S.** and **St. Kilian's D.S.** celebrated their **Confirmation** on Saturday, 29 April. We congratulate them on this very special occasion and will keep them in our prayers. We **thank** the teachers and staff of **Our Lady's N.S. and St. Kilian's D.S.** for all their work in preparing the children for this special celebration.

*May all their preparations produce a rich harvest
in the children's lives.*

All Parish Volunteers – Date for your Diary

We would like to invite all parish volunteers to a 'Safeguarding Awareness Training' evening. The purpose of this session will be to outline the practical aspects that all volunteers should be aware of when working and interacting with children and vulnerable adults.

It is also an ideal opportunity for parish volunteers to ask questions and offer opinions. The session will be led by Garry Kehoe, Dublin Diocesan Safeguarding Officer.

When: Wednesday 3rd May

Where: Kilmacud Parish Centre

Time: 7.00 – 8.30pm

Tea & Coffee will be served afterwards.

A Few Words from Fr Joe.....

I am convinced that the Spirit of God moves powerfully among us all in this Easter Season. The experience of meeting Jesus risen from the dead transformed his frightened and disillusioned disciples. As soon as the penny dropped that he had in fact escaped from death and that he returned to them to share his new life they found the inner courage to carry on being his disciples. They came out of hiding, bravely challenged the very people who put him to death and ignored the instructions from the old religious leaders to be silent.

Remember the early church is the source of our renewal in faith and action at this time. This is also the season of the year when we Confirm our 6th class children and have First Holy Communion with 2nd class. Is there any connection between celebrating these special days with primary school children, their parents, godparents, grandparents and family and the Spirit filled Easter Season? I think there is. These two special occasions come from the time of the Lord's Passion, Death and Resurrection. The first Eucharist comes from the Passover meal he shared with his disciples the night before he died, and the gift of the Holy Spirit was shared on the morning that he rose from the dead.

Our families, schools and the parish are experts in educating the children about the meaning of these moments. No child is in any doubt that the Communion they receive is anything other than Jesus present in bread and wine. No candidate for Confirmation is ignorant of the gifts and fruits of the Holy Spirit and the scripture passages that share this story with us. Each and every one of these celebrations are joyful moments in our common parish life, we are all blessed when these families come and worship here.

Parishioners who do come to Sunday mass often comment on the disconnect between these special days when all are happy to be in the church, and the ordinary Sundays of the year when so few return to pray, praise and celebrate here. Sometimes that conversation is asking, 'Why don't they come back?' I believe we need to hold up the great Easter mirror and ask ourselves about how we are all responding to the challenge Jesus gave to his first followers, 'Go out into the whole world and share the Good News'. Renewal in the Easter season enlivens the whole church and makes what we do week by week more authentic, attractive and effective. And yes, like the first disciples, we might have to speak out with courage, challenge the world around us and give witness to our conviction that Christ is alive and living among us.

If we fully live the Easter joy others will want to come and join in.

Lay Ministry Collection

SATURDAY & SUNDAY, 6TH & 7TH MAY 2023



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PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS - 30 APRIL 2023

LORD of the Harvest, bless young people with the gift of courage to respond to your call.

Open their hearts to great ideals, to great things. Inspire all of your disciples to mutual love and giving - for vocations blossom in the good soil of faithful people.

Instill those in religious life, parish ministries, and families with the confidence and grace to invite others to embrace the bold and noble path of a life consecrated to you.

Unite us to Jesus through prayer and sacrament, so that we may cooperate with you in building your reign of mercy and truth, of justice and peace.

Amen