

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

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Mass Intentions For This Week

Sunday – Special Intention

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Tuesday – Barry McGuirk (RD)

Wednesday – Bernard Broderick (RD)

Thursday – Service of Sacrament & Word

Friday – Ita Dunne (RD)

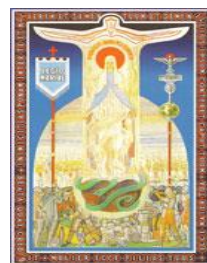


We prayerfully remember all those who are Recently Deceased and whose Anniversaries occur at this time.

May all our faithfully departed rest in peace. Amen.

“Be strong and take heart, all you who hope in the Lord”

Psalm 1:24



Legion of Mary

The Legion of Mary has resumed its meetings in Bird Avenue Church, Clonskeagh. They meet every Wednesday at 7.30pm. New members and visitors are always welcome.

For further information please contact Una 087 2253845.



Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes

The annual Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes takes place this September. Each year many sick pilgrims travel to Our Lady's Shrine at Lourdes as part of this Pilgrimage.

The Annual Collection and enrolment of Associate Members of the Pilgrimage is currently taking place after 10.30am Mass on Sundays and will end on Sunday, 20 August. The names of those who enrol are placed at the Grotto in Lourdes during the Pilgrimage. Our Lady of Lourdes, pray for us. St. Bernadette, pray for us.

A Few Words from Fr Joe.....

I had just sent in my few words last week when the news of the death of Sinead O'Connor was broadcast. I've listened to a lot of commentary and read endless tributes during the week, some have given me cause to pause and think. Personally, I didn't come across any tributes, or critique, from a Bishop or church leaders, Catholic or of any other faith. At one level that's no surprise and at another it might be a missed opportunity. She certainly was a woman with a unique and significant faith dimension to her life but orthodox she wasn't.

Sinead's death clearly touched a nerve and the comments focused a lot on her 'prophetic' and critical voice. Clearly, she had a unique ability to channel her own troubles, struggles, joys and pain, into words, sung and spoken. She lived through the decades of recent social change in Ireland, with huge shifts in the rights and freedoms that women exercise in the Ireland of today. Some of that shift is at the price of Catholic orthodoxy being normative not just for those of us who follow a faith journey but for our collective culture and laws nationally. Some see that as her achievement, others will lament the loss of past certainties.

The first song I heard played after she died was from an early appearance on the Late Late Show. Many have commented on her close bond with Gay Byrne, and he certainly showed her tenderness and respect. The song was 'Make Me a Channel of Your Peace', such a familiar hymn of the 80's and her interpretation really made the words of St Francis come alive. It finished with the words 'and it is dying that we are born to eternal life'. Hearing it so soon after her death, and before the huge coverage in the media, left me wondering if her search for religious meaning had brought her to a deeper sense God, of heaven, of now being born into eternal life?

Among the many images of her, youthful, defiant, dressed as a priest and in the appropriate garments of a Muslim woman, her eyes remain unchanged, alert and compassionate. On her right hand, I noticed she had the words "Lumen Christi" etched in ink, a daily reminder of her attachment to the redeemer, the Son of God, the light of the world. I too am a believer but would hesitate to make such a public declaration for all to see. She was and is an enigma, a woman who we all knew in some guise, and whose passion for justice, struggle for freedom and commitment to causes could be inspiring. She was also controversial, disrespectful to authority, behaved badly and wounded even those she loved. She certainly leaves us all with a lot to think about and reflect on. May her gentle soul find peace.

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"The one who saw it has borne witness" (John 19:35)
Johannine characters and their voices in the Fourth Gospel

The Priory Institute two week online Summer School on the Gospel of John will run from 14-28 August. The course includes eight recorded presentations and two on-line zoom discussions and is very flexible as it is delivered entirely online. Please visit our website to find out more and to register prioryinstitute.com



Organised by the John Paul II Foundation for Youth, the Congress took place in Lisbon this week under the theme: "Youth Commitment to Integral Ecology-Lifestyles for a new Humanity".

To view: see YouTube 4th International Conference on Care for Creation (Laudato Si Movement)
<https://www.lisboa2023.org/en/article/4thinternational-conference-on-care-forcreation>

Last Weekend Collections
1st Coll. (*The support of Priests*) €380
2nd Coll. (*Share*) €210
House to House (*Incl. S/O*) €350
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