

# 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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## Parish Office

Parish Office Mon, Wed & Fri - 9.30am – 11am

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## Mass Intentions For This Week

**Sunday – Marie Kinsella (Month's Mind)**  
**Nicholas O'Connor (A)**  
**Bill Price (A)**



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

**Monday – Rose Roberts (A)**

**Tuesday – Paul Fallon (RD)**

**Wednesday – Marie Kinsella (RD)**

**Thursday – Marie Kinsella (RD)**  
**Special Intention**

**Friday – Toni Phelan (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.*



## October – Month of the Rosary

**Why not discover/rediscover the beauty of the Rosary this month?**

You are invited to **pray the Rosary** during the month of October.

**Home Prayer** – You are invited to pray the Rosary with your family at a special time.

- *Joyful Mysteries (Monday, Saturday)*
- *Luminous Mysteries (Thursday)*
- *Sorrowful Mysteries (Tuesday, Friday)*
- *Glorious Mysteries (Wednesday, Sunday)*

*The one who seeks grace, finds it in Mary's hands.*  
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## Mission Sunday Collection

The **Mission Sunday Collection** is due to take place next Sunday, 22October. World Mission Sunday is the Holy Father's annual appeal for spiritual and financial support so that the life-giving work of overseas mission and missionaries can continue.

*Please give generously to this worthy cause.*

## Last Weekend Collections

1<sup>st</sup> Collection (*The support of Priests*) €325

2<sup>nd</sup> Collection (*Share*) €270

House to House (*Incl. S/O*) €350

*Thank you for your continued support.*

## A Few Words from Fr Joe.....

During a recent trip to France, my sister and I lined up to pay into an Abbey. I could see that the admission was €7.50 for adults, and €6.00 for Seniors. Standing waiting as the line shuffled forward I prepared my €15, which I handed over with a friendly “merci”. Well my joy turned to amazement when without a word, a single question to ascertain whether my sister, two years older than I had in fact already turned 65, the young lady at the cash desk handed me two tickets and €3 change. One look at the pair of us and without hesitation, clarification or even a wink or a nod, she rang up the till with a pair of Senior tickets and called “next!” And just like that I went from being a ‘young priest’ to an old man and moved along.

And so it is that life passes us by so quickly. It doesn't feel like so long ago that my sister and I had to produce ID to be served a drink, or that it was a student card that got the discount, not the presumption of now being a Senior. I'm sure many people also have that experience of days turning into weeks, into months and then literally the years fly by.

The holiday rest, Sunday afternoon down time or even a walk in the woods or park, can give us time to stop and take account of life's events and the things that really matter. For myself I'm amazed at how little I've learnt, changed or matured now that I can count 50 years of my life in the category of an adult! I guess we all develop and change a bit as we grow older, but in essence we have the same personality, habits, talents and quirks which really don't change much.

Walking around the Monastery I was struck by how nearly 1,000 years had passed since the first men met in this location and dedicated their lives to a God, who also hasn't changed. The worshiped him with the song, work and prayer, much like the community there today. The Mass they offered hasn't changed in essence, just in language and rubric, but it remains faithful to what Jesus did at the Last Supper. So maybe change is over rated! It is being faithful that matters, to God, to each other and to making the world a better place day by day. We certainly need the presence of a God who never changes, who will always be there for us and within us.

*Introduction to the practice of*  
**SERVANT LEADERSHIP**  
especially for people on PPCs or in parish ministry  
led by Peter Siney & Patricia Carroll from the Office of Mission & Ministry

**3 TUESDAYS ON ZOOM**  
7.30pm-9.00pm

**1 SATURDAY IN PERSON**  
10.00am-2.00pm

Baptism Matters ☒

Groupwork ☒

Care of Creation ☒

Prayer Skills ☒

Co-responsibility ☒

**TUESDAY ZOOMS**  
10th, 17th & 24th  
OCTOBER  
&  
**SATURDAY**  
28th OCTOBER  
Blessington  
Parish Centre

**TUESDAY ZOOMS**  
23rd, 30th JANUARY  
& 6th FEBRUARY  
&  
**SATURDAY**  
10th FEBRUARY  
St Paul's  
Arran Quay

**TUESDAY ZOOMS**  
9th, 16th & 23rd  
APRIL  
&  
**SATURDAY**  
27th APRIL  
Wicklow  
Parish Centre

To register please complete the form on the Adult Faith section of  
[www.missionministry.ie](http://www.missionministry.ie)

## Reflection for Sunday 15 October 28<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today's readings offer us more insight and wisdom of the call to synodality, which is currently being discerned at the Universal Synod in Rome.

In writing to the early church in Philippi, Paul reminds them, not only of his own situation, but of his call to 'servant leadership'. This service is modelled on that of Jesus himself, who came not to be served but to serve. In this way, Paul not only talks about the grace of God in Christ but illustrates the grace by his freely given, loving service. This grace allows him to take courage and strength that, with God, anything is possible and achievable.

Paul's 'servant' style of leadership encourages the members of that early church community to give freely and generously. This Christian way of living is often counter-cultural. The Synod Working Document also says 'The radical call is, therefore, to build together, synodally, an attractive and grounded Church: an outgoing Church, in which all feel welcome'.

It can be very easy to find a variety of excuses not to do this but, like Paul, we can trust that 'there is nothing we cannot master with the help of the One who gives us strength.'