## Clonskeagh Parish Newsletter

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



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Mass Intentions For This Week

Sunday – Teresa Lorimer (RD) Brendan White (A)

Monday – Special Intention

Tuesday – Annette Power (Birthday

Remembrance)

Wednesday – Berna O'Donnell (RD)

Thursday – Paddy Kerr (RD)

Friday – Altar List of the Dead



We prayerfully remember Sastri Boodoosingh whose funeral was held in the church this week. "May all our faithfully departed rest in peace. Amen."

Last Weekend Collections 1st Collection (The support of Priests) €295 2nd Collection (Share) €440 House to House (Incl. S/O) €350 Thank you for your continued support. May – The Month of Mary During the month of May, we prayed the Miraculous Medal Novena each Monday here in the Church. We thank *Fr Joseph Loftus* for coming to Clonskeagh Parish to celebrate this wonderful prayer with us. *'Oh Mary Conceived without sin Pray for us who have recourse to thee.'* \*

## Summer schedule of Masses in our Partnership: Clonskeagh-Mount Merrion-Kilmacud

Clonskeagh will continue with no Saturday Mass and one Sunday Mass at 10.30am. Mount Merrion will continue with Saturday 10.00am and 6.00pm and Sunday 10.00am and 7.30pm. Kilmacud will have Saturday 10.00am and 6.00pm and Sunday 11.30am. For the Bank Holidays in June and August there will be Mass in Clonskeagh at 11.00am and Kilmacud at 10.00am only. (Saturday morning Mass may be combined at Kilmacud if necessary).Effective from vigil Mass on Saturday 1<sup>th</sup> June through to and including Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> August

	Clonskeagh	Kilmacud	Mount
			Merrion
Saturday		6pm	6pm
Vigil			
Sunday	10.30am		10am
Sunday		11.30	
Sunday			7.30pm
evening			

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

Last weekend we had the final First Holy Communion celebration and brought to a close the sacramental programme for 2024. It is a huge undertaking in our partnership to plan with all the schools the timetable for the various services and Masses along the way. So, a huge word of thanks to the parish administration, the school secretaries, the parish contact persons, the parent representatives, the principals and teachers, the music makers and choir directors, those who make the church look fabulous and then of course the children and their families. I would also like to mention the tremendous effort made by all the priests who celebrated the sacraments this year, they take time and effort to prepare and always make these days very special. As you know we try to emphasise that the preparation and celebration of the sacraments are a joint effort of the home, the school and the parish. The school both teaches the 'Grow in Love' programme and prepares and rehearses for the ceremonies. The teachers always seem to be really diligent in playing their part to the full and radiate pride and joy in the achievement of every child. This element seems to me to be rock solid. The home is where it all began, when parents chose to bring their infant for baptism and promised to bring them up in the practice of their faith. The home in this sense is called the domestic church and is the first school of learning about the mystery of love, human and divine. A home with a sense of mission, and a spirit of prayer is a wonderful foundation of faith. The parish has its own part to play. On the one hand is the organisation and resourcing of the stages of the journey and then by being a welcoming community of faith which both embraces the children and inspires them. We do this well but of course we could always try and do even better. I watched thousands of photographs been taken after the ceremonies, of beaming, smiling, happy young people and their adoring families. I hope looking back at them will encourage each and every one to carry on their faith journey, with the parish, growing closer to God.

This week I got my first email from one of the schools asking for the dates for 2025!

Fr Joseph Mullan, Moderator Clonskeagh, Mount Merrion & Kilmacud Parishes



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