

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

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Mass Intentions For This Week



1st Sunday of Advent

Sunday – Thomas & Elizabeth McCoy [A]

Ann & Patrick Kehoe [A]

Josephine De Freine [A]

Louise Crosbie [A]

Monday – Special Intention

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Tuesday – Bertie Faherty [A]

Wednesday – Special Intention

Thursday – Karl Reilly [A]

Friday – Altar List of the Dead



“May all our faithfully departed rest in peace.”

Last Weekend Collections

1st Collection (The support of Priests) €405

2nd Collection (Share) €285

House to House (Incl. S/O) €350

Thank you for your continued support.



The local branch of the Saint Vincent DePaul Society for Milltown and Clonskeagh will be holding its annual Christmas Appeal next **Sunday, 8th December.**

On Sunday, 8th December, if you would like to help their work, you can donate during the second collection. The local volunteers will also be at the back of the church if you have any queries about their work in the community or how to make a donation.

Rosary at the Grotto



On **Friday, 6th December**, in preparation of the feast of The Immaculate Conception, the Rosary will be recited at the Grotto, St. Patrick Doyle Rd./Columbanus Avenue, near the Windy Arbour Luas stop at 3pm. (Weather permitting.) Everybody is cordially invited to join us on this special feast of Our Lady.

(Arranged by the Legion of Mary)

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

Psalm 1:24



A Few Words from Fr Joe.....

What's the difference between a Christmas Carol and an Advent hymn? In the world of everyday the Christmas Carol accompanies the build up to Christmas, sets the mood for thinking about others, buying presents, getting in the festive food, sending cards, anticipating the celebration. When we shop, pop into town, turn on the radio from now until Christmas Eve, the music all around is carols.

The Church has a different set of music for these next four weeks or so, the hymns of Advent, which speak of waiting, preparing, opening up the space to welcome the Saviour of the world, the infant son of God. When his birth is remembered, from the Eve of Christmas until January 6th, the Season of Christmas, then the carols have their place in our liturgy and celebrations. In a sense, we have two horses to straddle for the coming weeks, that part of us which is out in the world making Christmas happen with foods and gifts a plenty, and the other part, which is our faith community supporting our spiritual journey towards welcoming the Lord when we lay the baby in the crib.

We can harness both these sets of energy, the carols on the street are often accompanied by ruddy cheeked singers shaking buckets to collect for good causes. They can trigger our compassion for others, remind us of the needs all around us here and in war torn regions ravaged by conflict, and our giving is active solidarity with the poorest of the poor. Then here in church, when we hear ‘O come O come Emmanuel...’ we long for the joy that the birth of the Lord reminds us of, we yearn for his peace and ache for his blessed peace. We are moved to reconcile with others, to be more God centred and joyful. So, let's do all we can to make Advent work, set up a wreath, buy a prayer book, open the windows daily on the Advent calendar, listen attentively to the Advent readings, hymns and reflections and grow into Christmas. Then when the world turns its attention to the sales, we have our bonus time to really celebrate Christmas for 12 days.

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



Scan our QR code!

Please join us on
Tuesday 10th December for

Carols by Candlelight

an event for **Operation Smile**

Many local choirs will be performing throughout the evening

7:30pm • St Therese Parish Church, Mount Merrion, Co. Dublin

TO BOOK TICKETS
WWW.OPERATIONSMILE.IE/CAROLS
ADULTS €10 / CHILDREN FREE

For additional information call us on
01 6315228 or email info@operationmile.ie

