

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

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Mass Intentions For This Week 4th Sunday of Advent

Sunday – Laurie Kelly [A]



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

Monday – Patrick Quinlan [A]

Christmas Eve

Tuesday 24 December –

10am Mass - Thomas Murphy [RD]

11am – 12Midday - Confessions

7pm Mass – All our Christmas Masses will be offered for our Parishioners both living and deceased.

Christmas Day

Wednesday 25 December – 10.30am Mass

St. Stephen's Day

Thursday 26 December – 11am Mass –

Special Intention

Friday 27 December – 10am Mass –

Teresa Fella [RD]



Donations of red poinsettia plants for the decoration of the Altar, Crib and Church over Christmas and Epiphany would be very much appreciated. They can be left in the Church, in the area in front of the main altar.
Thank you for your generosity.

Last Weekend Collections

1st Collection (The support of Priests) €630

2nd Collection (Share) €405

House to House (Incl. S/O) €585

Thank you for your continued support.



We prayerfully remember **Eamon Corley and Maureen Howell** whose funerals were held here in the Church recently.

"May all our faithfully departed rest in peace. Amen."

"Be strong and take heart, all you who hope in the LORD"

Psalm 1:24

Christmas Dues



Please take your Christmas Dues envelope and return to the Parish Office/Sacristy or you can place them into the collection baskets at the weekend Masses.

Many thanks to all those who support our priests at this time, both the men working here and the sick and retired men who have done so much in the past. As the numbers of people at Mass have declined the Dues become even more essential for the care and support of priests. Thanks for your generosity and encouragement.

Pope's December prayer intention: 'For pilgrims of hope'

"Let us pray that this upcoming Jubilee may strengthen us in our faith, helping us to recognize the Risen Christ in the midst of our lives, transforming us into pilgrims of Christian hope."

The Pope lamented the suffering afflicting our world, saying humanity has great need of hope.

"Christian hope is a gift from God that fills our lives with joy," said the Pope, calling hope an anchor for our lives.

"We have to hold onto the rope of hope – hold on tight," he urged.

Pope Francis went on to invite Christians to allow God to fill our lives with hope, so that we may become gifts of hope for everyone around us.

Learn to meditate

Are you curious about meditation?

You are invited to a free 10 week introduction on how to meditate in which you will learn the essential teaching and start to explore and to experience what meditation is. The essence of meditation is simplicity, stillness and silence. It is not a therapy but it is a healing spiritual practice complimentary to all traditional religions and life philosophies.

Where: Mount Merrion Community Hall

When: Mondays 08:45 - 09:30 beginning Monday 13th Jan '25

Wednesdays 20:00 - 20:45 beginning Wednesday 8th Jan '25

To register or make enquiries: pjcmartin@hotmail.com

Facilitator: Patricia Martin RGN/RCN, MA in applied spirituality (SETU), student with WCCM Academy for Contemplative Studies '23-present.



This is a moment to celebrate, appreciate and applaud all our parishioners who give to much, volunteering time and resources to animate all we do together. We thank our staff who work with such great commitment and effort. We acknowledge our priests, sisters and collaborators in each and every ministry. We stay resolute in our commitment to Christ and his Church and we have hearts filled with gratitude for all.

(Fr. Joe & Fr. Fergus)



The Christmas Crib

We hope that you enjoy the Crib this year! We thank you all for your work in setting up the crib.

Crib Offerings - The Crib Offerings will be donated to the Holy Family Maternity Hospital in Bethlehem under the care of the Sisters of Charity.

"Jesus born in Palestine, lives today in Bread and Wine"
(Hilaire Belloc)

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CHRISTMAS FOOD POVERTY
APPEAL FOR FAMILIES IN NEED**

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