

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

Sunday – John Corrigan [A]

Stephen Murphy [A]

[Please note there will be a cup of tea after this Mass. All welcome.]

Monday – Craig Powell [RD]

Tuesday – Bill Hennessy [RD]

Wednesday – Maureen Kelly [RD]

Thursday – Frank McGuinness [RD]

Friday – Altar List of the Dead



We prayerfully remember all who are recently deceased and whose anniversaries occur at this time.

May all our faithfully departed rest in peace. Amen

Last Weekend Collections

1st Collection (The support of Priests) €440

2nd Collection (Share) €305

House to House (Incl. S/O) €350

Thank you for your continued support.

The Season of Lent

'Lent is a season of Fasting, Prayer, and Alms Giving in preparation for the joy of Easter'



'Trinity of Faith'

As per previous messages, work has been ongoing on confirming a working name for our Parish Partnership, with sincere thanks for all the feedback from the initial suggestion. It has been agreed that our Parish Partnership will be named the **'Trinity of Faith Partnership'** from next Tuesday 1st April, with a probable new website URL of www.trinityoffaith.ie. Work is also ongoing on preparing an emblem for this name which will include reference to the specific parishes - Clonskeagh, Kilmacud and Mount Merrion - within this.

It is hoped that a future new Website and a future new set of notices for the back of our missalettes will be common to all three Parishes of the Partnership and this will be progressed in the coming weeks, with further updates to come.

"Be strong and take heart, all you who hope in the LORD" Psalm 1:24

A Few Words From Fr Joe.....

On St Patrick's Day, the Archbishop of Dublin preached a very interesting homily at the Pro-Cathedral. The full text of what he said can be found on the Diocesan website and might make for interesting reading. In his insightful and challenging words, he highlights the lack of imagination in the church in Ireland today. He was referencing the fantastic imagination of St Patrick, who dreamed of how things could be and set about taking the steps, ever so slowly, of making this dream come true. His was a mission which began in poverty, the church of his day had absolutely nothing except the Good News and the desire to share it with the pagan Irish. From those humble origins, an enormous church grew. All over Ireland convents, schools, presbyteries and churches, parish halls, graveyards, holy shrines, monasteries and chapels of ease were built. The Archbishop speaks of Patrick's 'faith filled hope' and sees this Jubilee of Hope as being an opportunity to dream again as Patrick once did.

In the past thousands of men and women came forward to serve in religious life and the once poor church became rich in people and material wealth. It is clear that this model is now in decline, numbers are reducing and many of these once vibrant communities are gone. So, the Archbishop wants us to reflect on the way forward, he prompts us by saying that no pastoral plan made in an office in Drumcondra, is going to be the ultimate solution.

He asks us not to think about the things that have been taken from us, but rather to think about what God is giving the Church today, through each of us, the baptised. "Renewal in faith requires a new way of imagining what it means for us to follow Christ together." There is little point in looking at the inanimate built structures if we don't also imagine the church like a garden, where seeds need to be planted and cultivated. He also cites the witness from weakness that Pope Francis is currently offering to the world. We so often say that your health is your wealth, and in terms of well-being the Holy Father is truly poor, but undiminished in his capacity to witness to the love of God and carry on as a pilgrim of peace.

I took great heart from these inspiring words and used them to prepare for the three Confirmation ceremonies in the partnership this week. I dream of parents really passing on their faith, that closeness to Jesus and his church that has empowered the living faith for generations past, finding new expression in the hope filled lives of these Spirit touched children.

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

OUR LADY'S CHORAL SOCIETY
CELEBRATING 80 YEARS OF MUSIC-MAKING
Presents

THE SEVEN LAST WORDS OF OUR SAVIOUR ON THE CROSS

JOSEPH HAYDN

KATY KELLY soprano RAPHAELA MANGAN alto ANDREW GAVIN tenor JOHN MOLLOY bass

RTÉ CONCERT ORCHESTRA • PROINNSÍAS Ó DUINN, conductor

ADAM AND EVE'S CHURCH, MERCHANT'S QUAY
SATURDAY 12th APRIL 2025 at 4.00pm (one hour duration)

TICKETS €22.50 - available from Eventbrite and the shop in Adam & Eve's Church, Merchant's Quay

Pilgrimage to Knock - Saturday April 26th

Dublin Archdiocese has organised a pilgrimage to Knock to celebrate the jubilee year.

The partnership of Clonskeagh Kilmacud and Mount Merrion will participate in the pilgrimage led by Father Peter Ewaoche.

Bus picking up at Kilmacud @8am followed by Mount Merrion and Clonskeagh.

Cost €55 per person covering transport, tea/coffee scones on the way and dinner on the return journey.

To book please call Bernie Doherty on 2884665/0879612303.

SUPPORT SERVICES

Are you caring for a loved one at home with additional needs? A spouse, partner, child, close relative or neighbour? Then you are a family carer! Become a member of Family Carers Ireland, the national charity supporting Ireland's 500,000+ family carers nationwide. Contact 057 93 70221 and hear how we can support you or for more info visit www.familycarers.ie