



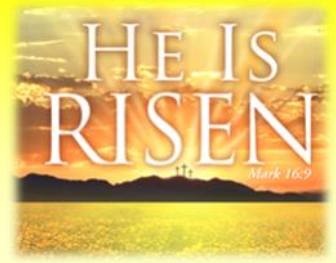
# Clondalkin Village Parish

*Immaculate Conception & St. Killian Church*

**Clonburris** † **Knockmitten**

Parish Newsletter

Sunday 4th April 2021



Our Easter message starts early in the morning, when Mary Magdalene was the first to go to the tomb and saw that stone was rolled away. I wonder what went through her mind while she was running back to get Peter and the others. Fear? Anger? Sadness? Hope? Once back at the tomb with them, they went inside the tomb and start to believe. For yet they did not understand what had happened – but they believed.

If we want to fully understand the Easter message of the Risen Lord, we have to go “inside the tomb”. We have to go the extra mile with Jesus from Palm Sunday to Holy Thursday, from Good Friday to Easter. Like on the day of our Baptism when we were baptised into the death and resurrection of our Lord we are now asked to go inside and “see” the empty tomb to start believing. What do you see when you go inside the empty tomb?

During the past twelve months we have been experiencing highs and lows, equivalent to Jesus’ journey of Palm Sunday, Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Morning. The pandemic has taken its toll on many. As a church we have been mainly celebrating the Holy Thursday’s memorial of “Do this in memory of me” behind closed doors in an empty Church. Only God knows when exactly the churches will be allowed to open to celebrate Eucharist again, with parishioners being present. The government is increasing the numbers of mourners for funerals by the end of the month. A small step but the Archbishop promised during the Chrism mass on Wednesday he

*“...will continue to emphasise to Government the importance of the earliest possible return to the public worship, and that the easing of restrictions must not be subordinated to powerful commercial interests, even those considered “non-essential”.*

(<https://www.dublindiocese.ie/homily-of-archbishop-dermot-farrell-for-chrism-mass-2021/>)

Archbishop Dermot Farrell also started the conversation we all have to have about the future of the Church:

### **What kind of church are we going to be post pandemic?**

The Bishops of Ireland all agree that we cannot just open the doors and expect people to turn up. We should not and will not return to pre-Covid community of faith. Things have changed in the past twelve months. People in leadership of the Church have seen many challenges we are facing with decline mass attendance, mainly the older more vulnerable attending, declining numbers of priests, aging priests only to name a few. Archbishop Dermot Farrell and others are talking about “Synodality”. Inspired by Pope Francis:

*“Making a synodal Church a reality is an indispensable precondition for a new missionary energy that will involve the entire People of God”*

(*The International Theological Commission, “Synodality in the Life and Mission of the Church”, 9).*

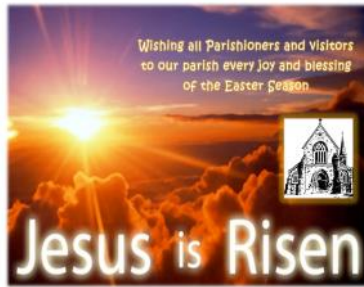
We are ALL inviting to take part in this synodal way. The entire leadership of the Church is asked to listen to what the baptised have to say. The task is to draw in many people to give the chance to speak and to be listened to and most importantly being heard without being judged or without given readymade answers. This new way of being a listening church does require humility and courage but it is the only way forward. But let us do it with hope in our hearts. We are indeed all in this together as a church of believers, followers of Christ.

*“To be holy does not require being a bishop, a priest or a religious. (...) we are all called to be holy by living our lives with love and by bearing witness in everything we do, wherever we doing ourselves. (...) Let the grace of your Baptism bear fruit in a path of holiness. Let everything be open to God; turn to him in every situation.”*

(*Gaudete Et Exsultate Rejoice and be Glad. Pope Francis, 15).*

Together as the Baptised we are asked to share the message: The hope, the excitement, the love and the joy of the empty tomb. We have to be reenergised like Mary Magdalene and others to run to the empty tomb. We are all asked to go inside the tomb to see and to start believing. Like Mary Magdalene, Peter and others, we all are asked to share the Good News:

***He Lord is Risen, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.*** Christina Malone, Parish Pastoral Worker



## Masses

**Clondalkin Village**  
**Sundays: (Vigil) Sat**  
**6.30pm, Sunday 9am (As**  
**gaeilge) 10am, 12 noon**  
**All Behind Closed Doors**

**Weekdays (Mon – Sat)**  
**10am ONLY**  
**Behind Closed Doors**

**Clonburris**  
**Church Closed**

**Knockmitten**  
**Sunday 11am**

**Parish Office Hours**  
**Clondalkin:**

**Mon-Fri 9:30 - 12:30**  
**Closed to the public but**  
**please contact through**  
**Phone & Email**

**Clonburris & Knockmitten:**  
**Contact through Village**

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## Monday Club Easter 2021

Hello members of the Monday Club and readers of the Newsletter. No news except still in so-called lockdown. With the hit and miss rollout of the vaccine, I hope most of you have got it by now. It is wonderful to see birds and flowers and unloved flowers we call weeds coming to life, all of them not affected by the pandemic and coming to life as nature intended.

I can't believe we are in Holy Week already and still celebrating Mass and getting services on line which is wonderful due to advancement in technology, but it's not the same as being physically present and to receive the Eucharist. The Spiritual Communion prayer is lovely and full of meaning if we concentrate on the words.

This week we have lost another member of the Monday Club. Teresa Hyland was a valued member up to the time of her accident. She was a lovely, gentle soul and always so elegant. We had so many memorable mornings in the club, but one that stands out in memory is the morning she brought her daughter Edel to give a talk on DNA. She was so proud of her as she was of all her family.

Joan and I visited her in the Mater after her accident and again in Lisheen, but due to the pandemic we did not get to visit her again. To her all her family we offer them our sincerest sympathy on this sad occasion. Teresa, may your gentle soul rest in peace.

Our deepest sympathies to the family of Minnie and Colm Murphy. Colm died recently and is now united with his dear beloved wife Minnie. Colm, like Minnie, always attended the 10am Mass. On a morning when Minnie would be doing her much enjoyed musical morning, Colm would come helping Minnie to carry her CD player and many CDs which would have been carefully selected for the morning and would return again at 12 when the club ended to help her carry them home again. May Colm and Minnie rest in peace, united again.

I wish you all a very happy and holy Easter. Hopefully the weather will be a bit better and warmer when we can enjoy a bit of outdoors in the garden. Rejoice and be glad.

Thanks and a Happy and Holy Easter to Frs Pdraig & Shán, Gerry & Sean, Frank, Christina and Julie and to all involved in keeping all the Masses etc. and all involved in the running of the parish.

Until next time, take care, be safe and God Bless

*Kathleen R*

**DUBLIN DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK – ONLINE ADULT & FAMILY PILGRIMAGE – SAVE THE DATE!** The Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock will take place on **Saturday April 24<sup>th</sup>** with a programme of online workshops from Our Lady of Victories Church, Ballymun Road via webcam commencing at 12pm. More details to follow soon. From 2.30pm, we will switch to the Knock Shrine webcam for the rosary, the Pilgrimage Mass at 3pm and opportunity for quiet time in the Apparition Chapel.

**Keep sending your prayer requests and petitions. This week please say a special prayer for:** Karl, Michele, Leone, Nora, Betty, Sean, Louis, Bridget, Fiona, Leslie, Aimee, Walter, Sharon, Sydney, Ryan, Victor, Tom, Josh, Jean, Geri, Sue, Claire, Karen, Abe, Patrick, Monica, Louis, Sheila, Ruth, Kevin, Kathleen, Robyn, Jacinta, Carmel, Rita, Mary. **Our candle is always lit for you!**



It's here now at the junction of Watery Lane and Woodford Walk and gone in April but is commended for it's multitude of glossy green, perfectly formed heart shaped leaves and contrasting yellow daisy like flowers. Awesome. It thrives in shady areas. (lesser celandine, *Fiscaria Verna* per *Botanic Gardens*). All the hearts, here and now, have combined to express themselves in delicate fragile blooms. Probably blooming before the canopy shuts out most of the light. In this time of heart to heart. Exploration, Nature is aligned. *Eddie*



## Village Church

**Sunday 4th April - EASTER SUNDAY**

**Mass Times as follows:**

**9.00pm (Sat)** Mass of the Easter Vigil

**9.00am** Mass (as Gaeilge), 10.00am and 12 noon

**Monday 5th April 10.00am** Fran Byrne (1st An)

**Tuesday 6th April 10.00am** Bernard Brown (An)

**Wednesday 7th April**

**10.00am** Caique Trindade de Oliveira (An)

**Thursday 8th April**

**10.00am** John & Frances Curran (An) and Frances Curran Jnr (An), James & Josephine Kennedy (An)

**Friday 9th April 10.00am** Altar List of the Dead

**Saturday 10th April 10.00am** Richie Miraglia (RD)

**Sunday 11th April**

**6.30pm Vigil** Brendan Foley & dec'd members of the Foley family, Bill & Molly Dennis & dec'd members of the Dennis family, Rita O'Sullivan (B'day Rem), Eileen Delaney (1st An), Dermot Hegarty (B'day Rem), Kathleen & Joe Fagan

**10.00am** Joseph Lernihan (An) & Anne Lynch (An) Peter Johnston (7th An), Christina Murray (6th An)

**12noon** Mary Byrne (1st An), Colm Murphy (MM), Dalton McElroy (33rd An) & Mary McElroy (MM)

Florence Herlihy (An)

Holy Water blessed during the Easter Vigil Mass will be available in small bottles for parishioners to take for an hour after the 12 noon Mass on Easter Sunday and during the next few days when the church is opened for private prayer. All are welcome to take one for themselves and to bring one for a sick or housebound neighbour, relative or friend.



*Recently Deceased*

**SHAY CAREW**

*May He Rest In Peace*

**Free Bereavement Counselling during Covid**

If you have lost loved ones through bereavement or are Frontline Workers, and would like to talk to someone in confidence, contact **Eileen at 087 6380994 or [covidbereavementcounselling@gmail.com](mailto:covidbereavementcounselling@gmail.com)**

**Free Online Adult Catechism Course.**

**Continues Sunday - Theme -  
The Resurrection**

An online course, presented by Joe Keegan, clerical student in the parish, will cover the catechism of the Church, dealing with a different topic each week.

No enrolment is required, just access the video which will be posted on the *Combined Catholic Parishes of Clondalkin* facebook page every **Sunday at 12.30pm** (<https://www.facebook.com/TheCCPCDublin>)

Everything is possible for him who believes  
Mark 9:23



**ECUMENICAL BIBLE WEEK 2021**

Ecumenical Bible Week 2021 is an exciting and successful venture which is now in its eight year and will run from **Pentecost Sunday (23rd May) to Trinity Sunday (30th May) 2021.**



Ecumenical Bible Week (EBW) is led by the Archdiocese of Dublin and the United Dioceses of Dublin and Glendalough in collaboration with many other Christian traditions ranging from the Evangelical Alliance to Lutherans, Methodists, Presbyterians and support from the National Bible Society and Scripture Union. The overall theme this year is "Unlocking Faith Today: Responding to New Realities". This year EBW will have an opening and closing prayer event organised by Holy Trinity Rathmines on Monday 24th and St Finian's Lutheran Church on Sunday 30th respectively. To **Register visit** – [www.bibleweek.ie](http://www.bibleweek.ie)

We pray for all those in our country and throughout the world suffering from the Corona Virus. May its victims and their families be strengthened by the support of our community of faith and restored soon to full health. We also pray for our leaders and medical personnel who deal with the virus. May we keep calm and may we join together in solidarity with care and compassion to tackle this emergency. This we ask in confidence through Christ Our Lord.

*Amen*

If you must look back, do so forgivingly. If you must look forward, do so prayerfully. However, the wisest thing you can do is be present in the present, gratefully.



*Maya Angelou*



Thank you to Saoirse Women's Refuge who donated some of their surplus nappies to the Food Bank!

And A HUGE thank you to all who have supported (and continue to support) the **Clondalkin Cares Food Bank**

You can now donate & Support through <https://gofund.me/65e9cb0f>

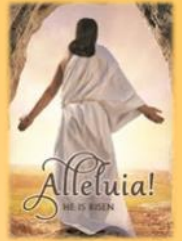
You can drop donations into

- The Parish Office in the Village and into Neilstown Church **Mon - Wed 10am - 3:30pm**
- Ronanstown Youth Service on a **Tuesday from 10am - 12 Noon**
- The Presentation Sisters have a Collection Bin at their Front Door where you can drop food donations into anytime.

**If you need support, know someone who needs support or can help in anyway please do not hesitate to email or call**

Karin Jonsson at [manager@quarryvalefrc.ie](mailto:manager@quarryvalefrc.ie) or **085-202 0300**

**A thought for this Sunday for our Polish Parishioners Thanks Chris**



Today, another phase of our Christian life has ended. And like the readings during Holy Week, our year has been full of difficult times. Moments of our betrayal and denial of Jesus. A year full of tears, doubts and death. On Good Friday, our old lives were buried with Christ. But today, the tomb is empty. Go into the tomb like Saint John and believe because Jesus did what He said. He has risen! So that our lives can change forever. It's time to start the next chapter on our earthly path. Alleluia!

Dzisiaj zakończył się kolejny etap naszego chrześcijańskiego życia. I podobnie jak w czytaniach podczas Wielkiego Tygodnia, nasz rok był pełen trudnych chwil. Chwil naszej zdrady i zaparcia się Jezusa. Rok pełen łez, wątpliwości i śmierci. W Wielki Piątek nasze stare życie zostało pogrzebane wraz z Chrystusem. Ale dzisiaj, grób jest pusty. Wejść do niego jak święty Jan i uwierz, ponieważ Jezus uczynił to, co zapowiedział. Zmartwychwstał! Aby nasze życie mogło się zmienić na zawsze. Czas rozpocząć kolejny rozdział na naszej ziemskiej drodze. Alleluja!

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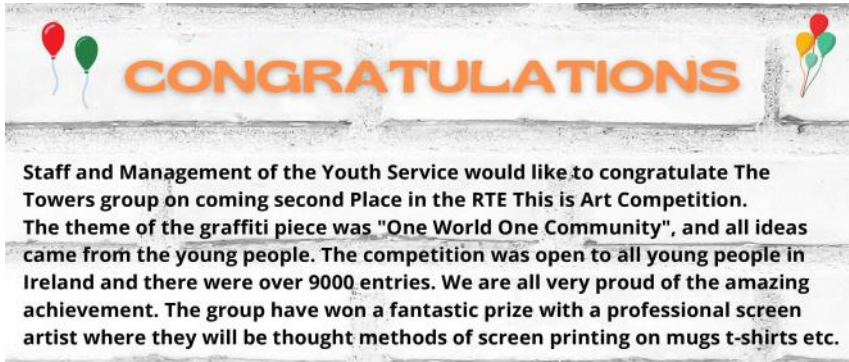
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All doing well in **Clon Dalkin Garden** - I just planted in lavenders and petunias in the tyre planters. Fruit beds are looking very promising and the rhubarb is doing nicely. **Maeve**



Staff and Management of the Youth Service would like to congratulate The Towers group on coming second Place in the RTE This is Art Competition. The theme of the graffiti piece was "One World One Community", and all ideas came from the young people. The competition was open to all young people in Ireland and there were over 9000 entries. We are all very proud of the amazing achievement. The group have won a fantastic prize with a professional screen artist where they will be thought methods of screen printing on mugs t-shirts etc.

Well done Sibú, Franklin, Josh and Nathan!!!



### "One Love, One Community"

The idea for this project was to combine both of our cultures into one art piece. One side of the mural is the landscape of where we live in Clondalkin, with the Round Tower and road signs. The other side of the mural has Table Mountain (Cape Town) and Hillbrow Tower (Johannesburg). Both sides are linked with a human chain with the different characters that make a community. We wanted to show that while we are from a different country, that we all share the same goal - One Love, One Community.

## DIY BIRD FEEDER

### Equipment needed:

- One used milk carton or plastic bottle.
- One pair scissors (supervision of parent/guardian).
- Different colour paints/markers to decorate.
- Lollipop sticks or twigs from fell branches (one for each food opening in your bird feeder).
- String or twine.
- Pencil or hole punch.
- Some bird food like nuts/seeds/yellow corn/sunflower seeds/and raisins, suitable for the birds/wildlife you wish to attract to your garden



### A Clondalkin prayer for the Earth

God of the Universe,  
 We thank You for Your many great gifts we see around us each day.  
 For the beauty of Corkagh and Collinstown parks and the lazy, meandering Camac river.  
 We thank you for the wildlife, creatures, trees and plants that they support and for the rest they provide.  
 We thank you for clean water, fresh air, for food and shelter, animals and plants. Thank you for the beautiful diversity that is so evident in our town, village and estates and for the blessing of each other.  
 Let us never take these precious gifts for granted.  
 May we always be mindful of what we use. Forgive us for times we have wasted what You have given us, and we pray for those who suffer because of our waste, greed or indifference.  
 Let apathy never allow us to forget our role as stewards and caretakers of nature. May our touch be always marked with gentleness, care and with love, respecting all living things.  
 We ask this in Your name, today & always.  
**Amen**

### WALKING THE PATH TO PENTECOST Daily Scripture Calendar

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A light is gone from our household.  
 A voice we loved is stilled,  
 A place is vacant in our home,  
 That never can be filled.  
 Lonely is the home without you,  
 Life to us is not the same.  
 All the world would be like heaven,  
 If we could have you back again,  
 The happy hours we once enjoyed,  
 How sweet their memory still,  
 But death has left a vacant place,  
 This world can never fill.  
 How dearly we loved you,  
 And prayed you might live,  
 But Jesus just beckoned,  
 And we had to give.  
 God gave us strength to bear it,  
 And courage to fight the blow,  
 What it has meant to lose you,  
 God alone will ever know.  
 May the God of love and mercy,  
 Care our loved one who is gone,  
 And bless with consolation,  
 Those left to carry on.

In Loving Memory of  
**James Moore**  
  
 Who Sadly died  
 on 15th December 2045  
 Aged 39  
 Sadly missed by her loving husband  
 and family xxxxxxxx xxx  
 Rest in Peace

  
  
**Vincent Byrne**  
 31st May 1946 15th March 2020  
 Aged 73 Years  
 forever in our hearts  
 Rest in Peace

  
 In Loving Memory  
 of  
**Mary Byrne**  
 31st May 1946 15th March 2020  
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 May the Light always Shine  
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