

# 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**

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### Parish Office

Parish Office Mon, Wed & Fri - 9.30am – 11am (Closed Bank Holidays)

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### Mass Intentions For This Week



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

**Sunday – Tom & Mary Martin [A]**

**Brian Pittam [A]**

**Monday – Special Intention**

**Tuesday – Anne Hodgins [RD]**

**Wednesday – Michael McMahon [RD]**

**Thursday – Eileen McCarthy [RD]**

**Friday – Anne Hodgins [RD]**



*We extend our sympathy to the families of  
Anne Hodgins & Eileen McCarthy  
whose funerals were held in the Church this week.*

We prayerfully remember all who are  
**Recently Deceased** and those whose  
**Anniversaries** occur at this time.

*“May all our faithfully departed rest in peace. Amen.”*

### Pilgrimage to Knock - Vocations Society of St Joseph

Please join us on our pilgrimage to knock on Saturday June 28th 2025. Collecting from, the Rise Carpark, Church of Saint Therese 8am, The Goat Pub 8.15 Churchtown, Nutgrove Ave. opposite the church 8.30, and at Leixlip Church.

€60, includes coffee/ tea/ scone on outward journey and dinner on return journey. To book please call Bernie at 087 9612303.

Early booking would be much appreciated.

### DAY FOR LIFE – THIS SUNDAY

This year's Day for Life, Sunday, June 15, is an invitation to pray for those who suffer and to remain with them like the Good Samaritan, bearing witness to their unique and unrepeatable value. We see this closeness in the generous and fruitful service of healthcare professionals, whose mission continues even when there is no longer any prospect of physical healing. We see it in another way in families, carers and chaplains who support their brothers and sisters who are sick or frail or struggling with the many burdens of life. As Christians, we affirm them and hold out to them the hope of Jesus Christ who does not disappoint us. To read the full bishops' message visit

<https://councilforlife.ie/day-for-life-2025/>

## A Few Words from Fr Joe...

During the week we celebrated the funeral of Eileen, a really wonderful parishioner, mother, wife and friend. As so often happens at funerals I learnt something new about her when her bereaved husband spoke briefly at the end of Mass. He told us that she returned to work when the children were raised and became an invigilator at public exams. I hadn't heard that word for such a long time, and its ages since I sat in an exam hall, looking at the back of the exam paper, waiting for the words, “You can turn over the paper now and begin” and sometimes a little word of encouragement, “best of luck.” I've never given much thought to the people who took on this role at every important exam taken, but I do have very real memories of the ones who had gentle voices, who seemed to encourage, even as they explained the rules, time allowed and called us to “put down your pens” when at last the time was up. Even as a boy you could recognise the quiet efficiency of these serene and purposeful invigilators, meticulous in ensuring the right paper was distributed to each student. From time to time we could observe their manner in assisting a student overwhelmed, panicking or ill. It was their calmness that I remember best and I'm sure that was also a sign of their compassion and affection for the candidates in their care. All over the country people are entrusted with this role, by the State, to ensure that exams are fair and that students are honest and honourable. They maintain the level playing field by their vigilance and fairness through their efficiency. If they are all as kind, decent and supportive as Eileen, the students are in good hands.

*Fr Joe Mullan*

*Moderator of Clonskeagh, Kilmacud & Mount Merrion Parishes*



This week we said a sad farewell to one of our dear friends, Eileen McCarthy. Eileen was a member of our Hospitality Team and made the most beautiful sandwiches with the most loving care! She was a great bit of fun and we always enjoyed a good laugh or two, with a great sense of style! She was the Secretary to Clonskeagh Bridge Club and played a great game! She will be missed by all. We will continue to keep her and Maurice, together with the rest of their family in our prayers. May she rest in peace.

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

Psalm 1:24

### DEANSGRANGE CEMETERY SUNDAY

The annual Mass and Blessing of Graves in Deansgrange will be held on Sunday, July 6, at 3pm.

### SANDYFORD PARISH BLESSING OF GRAVES

Kilgobbin Cemetery: Mass for all interred will take place in St. Mary's Church Sandyford at 11am on Sunday, June 22, followed by blessing of Graves at 1pm.

Glencullen Cemetery Mass, St Patrick's Cemetery Glencullen: Sunday, July 6, at 3pm (no 10am Mass).

This is a very important tradition where we come together to pray for our deceased loved ones who are buried in this Cemetery. As all those buried in the Graveyard are included in this Mass there will be no reading out of names. We will invite families of the deceased to collect a small bottle of Holy Water which will be blessed during the Mass and to sprinkle this on the Grave of their loved one. Your understanding would be greatly welcomed. A collection will take place for the upkeep of the cemetery and your generosity would be much appreciated.

### Last Weekend Collections

1<sup>st</sup> Collection (*The support of Priests*) €335

2<sup>nd</sup> Collection (*Share*) €290

House to House (*Incl. S/O*) €350

*Thank you for your continued support.*