

# 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 Sunday – Willam & Gerry Mangan [A]



Baptism – We joyfully welcome **Sophia & Oisín** into the Catholic Faith and we congratulate their parents and families on this special occasion.

### Monday – Special Intention

### Tuesday – Prayer Service

### Wednesday – Prayer Service

### Thursday – Special Intention

### Friday - Special Intention



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.”**



You are invited to join us for a ‘Celebration Cuppa’ after 10.30am Mass this Sunday morning.  
*Please come along and join us.*

**During the week Archbishop Farrell wrote** about the recent shocking attacks on members of the Indian community in Dublin, below is an extract from that letter.

*“The recent shocking attacks on members of the Indian community in Dublin have generated understandable fear and alarm among the Indian community. Sadly, racial abuse is not confined to members of that community but is part of the lived experience of far too many who have been singled out solely because of their skin colour. This affront to the human dignity of our neighbours and fellow citizens is completely unacceptable. It blights the lives of victims and diminishes us all as a people. While violent attacks are rare, casual abuse and mistreatment can have a corrosive effect. Such behaviour is even more reprehensible given the great contribution which so many from the Indian community and other minority communities are making to our country. For example, we are all familiar with the vital presence of Indian professionals in our healthcare system, without whom many healthcare needs simply could not be met. Others apply their skills in important sectors of the economy and also contribute to funding public services through their taxes.”*  
*Please visit our website to read the entire letter.*

**Last Weekend Collections**  
1<sup>st</sup> Collection (*The support of Priests*) €355  
2<sup>nd</sup> Collection (*SHARE*) €240  
House to House (*Incl. S/O*) €560  
*Thank you for your continued support.*

## A Few Words from Fr Joe.....

Pope Francis had many concerns about the world we live in, high on his list of priorities was the care of the earth. He addressed this reality in his Apostolic Letter, *Laudato Si*, and did all in his power to encourage everyone to see the earth as our common home, to motivate the citizens of the world to address climate change. He was a man who believed in the small efforts made by many and encouraged Catholics to be innovators for change. No action, however small, is wasted if that action does something to achieve progress in addressing better use of the world’s resources. Underpinning his concern was a realisation that the poor suffer the most from devastating effects of climate change.

This week Europe is experiencing temperatures more associated with the deserts of Asia and Africa and the middle East. Numbers like 35, 40, 42 degrees reflect a searing heat that withers crops, dries up water sources, cracks the earth and makes day to day life unbearable. In some places people can retreat indoors, turn on the air conditioning and sit out the heatwave in some comfort. Needless to say, there is little air conditioning in the homes of the elderly, the poor and those on the margins. Their suffering is real and getting worse with every extra degree, as the world warms to new highs, many struggle to survive. We live at a moment in history with endless threats to peace, with outrageous persecution of peoples and cruel loss of life reported daily. It would be easy to try and blank out that which we feel powerless to change. Yet we know that Christian discipleship is always an invitation to action, to prayer and solidarity. By addressing climate change, following the invitation of Pope Francis, we actually learn and practice the methods of engagement which are informed by the Gospel and are effective. It’s always best to do something, however small, rather than give into despair.

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

### Prayers for Gaza

Archbishop Farrell has asked all the parishes in the Diocese to dedicate Sunday August 24th to prayer and reflection for Gaza and lasting peace in the Middle East. He quotes Pope Leo from his Mass with young people last Sunday; *“May we all be a sign, by our prayer and action, that a different world is possible, and that a route to peace and reconciliation can and must be found through dialogue.”*

Parishioners are welcome to make suggestions and preparations to mark this day.

### ARE THERE BUTTERFLIES IN GAZA?



#### Sunday 24th August 2 – 5pm

An afternoon of quiet prayer and reflection in Mount Merrion Church and garden.  
Come and go as you can, in silence . .  
Please bring, if possible, a drawing or symbol of a butterfly to add to our display.

### LOUGH DERG

**One-Day Retreats** – Guided Days of Prayer and Reflection - places available on August 19th, 23rd, 24th, 25th, 30th, September 3rd, 6th, 7th, 9th, 13th, 20th, 21st.  
**Pilgrim Path Lake Shore Pilgrimage** – In the footsteps of pilgrims through the centuries. Sunday 31st August. Guided 8km & 12km walk options available. Admission €25.  
*Advance booking essential.*  
**Quiet Day Retreat** – Come apart by yourself, and rest for a while – Friday 12th September. Admission €40 includes refreshments and lunch. *Advance booking essential.*  
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