



30th Sunday of the Year

27th October 2024

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MASS TIMES AT CLONARD

Public Mass & Masses via Webcam

Sunday (Vigil Sat- 7.30pm), 7.00am, 9.30am, 11.00am, and 12.30pm.
Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri.
7.00am, 9.30am and 6.15pm.
Thursday (Novena) 7.00am, 9.30am, 6.15pm and 8.00pm.
Saturday 7.00am, 9.30am & 12.00 Noon.



We thank you for last week's collection which came to £2,520 for Clonard, £842 for the Mission Sunday collection. Also for your kind donations, online and by post.

Friday, 1st November, Feast of All Saints

Mass times: **Vigil**, Thursday 31st October at 6.15pm & 8pm
Friday 1st November, 7am, 9.30am, & 6.15pm.

The **NOVEMBER SHRINE FOR THE DEAD** is being prepared. If you'd like someone prayed for, we invite you to leave Memoriam Cards and photographs in the baskets provided. These will be placed in the Shrine by the Church staff, and can be reclaimed at the end of November. We ask, for health and safety reasons, that no one enter the Shrine.



Pause for Hope

Bringing together in prayer those who have and have had cancer and their loved ones, and those who care for them.

Today, Sunday, October 27th at 3.30pm in Clonard Church



This Sunday's Scripture Readings:

Jeremiah 31:7-9 — A vision of a time when all God's people are gathered together, with everyone sharing the gift of new sight

Hebrews 5:1-6 — Christ is our high priest, but he also knows our weakness.

Mark 10:46-52 — The blind beggar Bartimaeus is healed by Jesus.

Lord, I want to see

For seven years, Terry Anderson, a journalist, was held captive in Lebanon. He was physically and psychologically abused by his captors. Chained to a bed or to the wall, Anderson was kept blindfolded so as not to be able to recognize his whereabouts or the identities of his guards. Deprived of physical sight and freedom, Anderson spent those years engaged in a spiritual journey. Blindfolded in darkness, he discovered the inner light of grace that enabled him to look once again in Faith at God. His journey led him to seek reconciliation with and healing forgiveness from God. Through the ministry of Fr. Lawrence Jenco, a fellow hostage, Anderson rediscovered his Faith. The following is Anderson's response to that occasion: *Where is faith found? Not in a book or in a church, not often or for everyone. In childish times, it's easier; a child believes just what it's told. But children grow and soon begin to see too much that doesn't match the simple tales, and not enough of what's behind their parents' words. There is no God, the cynics say; we made Him up out of our need and fear of death. And happily, they offer up their test-tube proofs. A mystery, the priests all say, and point to saints that prove their faith in acts of love and sacrifice. But what of us who are not saints, only common human sinners? And what of those who in their need and pain cry out to God and go on suffering? I do not know — I wish I did. Sometimes I feel all the world's pain. I only say that once in my own need I felt a light and warm and loving touch that eased me and let me go on to the end. It is not proof — there can be none. Faith's what you find when you're alone and find you're not alone. In today's Gospel, another man, deprived of physical sight invites us today to share in his spiritual journey. We are often held hostage by our pride, fear, or by the "blindfold" of indifference to the needs of others. With Bartimaeus, we pray for both freedom from spiritual blindness and growth in faith, saying, "Lord, I want to see."*

Clonard Youth Ministry Gathering 2024 - 5th of November

Clonard youth ministry are currently planning new and exciting youth programmes, retreats, volunteer/service opportunities and major events that will be taking place over the next year.

Would **YOU** like to be part of it?

We are inviting young people aged 15+ to a special gathering on **Tuesday 5th of November at 7pm** in Clonard conference room to hear all about our plans and we will also share information about the amazing events that will be happening. To register for the gathering you can drop us an email at youthministry@clonard.com or call into Clonard and pick up a volunteer registration form.

All young people are WELCOME



Knock Pilgrimage Day pilgrimage to Knock on 2nd November for the Feast of All Souls, departing from St Agnes at 7.30am, returning approx. 10pm. Bring a packed lunch. Price £26. For more information or to book a place, please contact Pat on 07946917354 or Harriet on 07812098901