



## KILMACUD PARISH NEWSLETTER

22nd February 2026  
First Sunday in Lent

MASS TIME	CLONSKEAGH	KILMACUD	MOUNT MERRION
Weekdays	10:00am	10:00am*	10:00am
*Liturgy w/ Eucharist		Thursday	Tuesday
Bank Holidays	11:00am	10:00am	10:00am
Saturday		10.00am	10.00am
Vigil Mass		6.00pm	6:00pm
Sunday	10.30am	11:30am	10:00am & 7:30pm

**Confessions**  
after 10am Mass  
on Saturday in  
Kilmacud

### A few words from Fr Joe..

**On Ash Wednesday a lady came into the sacristy to say a word of thanks for the homily she had just heard at Mass. While she was thanking me, I was trying to explain that I had in fact read out a piece from Pope Leo's Lenten message, and that the credit was all his. I had prefaced the quotation by saying aloud the little phrase I often heard in school, 'sticks and stones may break my bones, but words will never hurt me'. I accept that sticks and stones can really injure you, but I've also found that words have been deeply hurtful too. When someone calls you names, gossips about you, tells lies, speaks unkindly behind your back, I think, and feel, that this is deeply hurtful and not at all easy to shrug off. So, what did Pope Leo say? He was inviting us all to abstain from "words that hurt and offend our neighbour. Let's begin by disarming our language, avoiding harsh words and rash judgement, refraining from slander and speaking ill of those who are not present and can't defend themselves. Instead let us strive to measure our words and cultivate kindness and respect in our families, among our friends, at work, on social media and in Christian communities." I was aware the Edwin Adogbo, born and raised in Cork, who won his first cap for Ireland on Saturday, suffered vile abuse on social media when the IRFU posted some warm words of congratulations. The lady who visited the sacristy was touched by the words of Pope Leo because her granddaughter has been subject to deeply hurtful gossip from other girls in her class at one of our leading schools. So maybe we can all take a lead from Pope Leo's message and be ever more responsible for the things we say and express about others, so that even the unintended insult, put down or comment might be avoided and our words won't hurt anyone this Lent and beyond.**

### This lent, Pope Leo XIV proposes a powerful form of abstinence

Refrain from words that offend and wound.

Avoid harsh speech and rash judgement.

Do not speak ill of those who cannot defend themselves.

Let us disarm our language — at home, at work, online, and in our communities.

This Lent, may our words become instruments of hope and peace.

### Trocaire Boxes

There are Trocaire boxes available for you to take home at the entrances to the Church

Pray for the family & friends of Joe Banim (Allen Park) whose funeral Mass took place here this week.

### Mass Intentions

21st & 22<sup>nd</sup> February

6pm  
Fr Jimmy Dollard (A)  
Noeline Murray (A)  
Ray Duggan (6<sup>th</sup> A)  
Kathleen Ryan (A)  
Florence Kenny (A)

11.30am

Julia Byrne (A)  
Anne O'Rourke (A)  
Annie & Patrick Butler (A) & Patrick Jr  
Derry Dowling (A)  
Helen & Dick Dowling (A)  
Joseph Matthew Lenny (RD)

28th Feb & 1st March

6pm  
Dolores Jenkison (A)  
Donal Quill (A)  
Peter O'Shea (A)  
Kathleen McPeake (MM)  
Brendan Naughton (RD)  
May Maher (MM)

11.30am

Jack Wright (A)  
Maureen Kidney (A)  
Mary McIntyre (MM)  
Frank McNally (A)  
Carmel Halpenny (A)

### Society of Saint Vincent De Paul Annual Envelope Appeal and Collection 2025 - Conference of Mary Our Queen, Kilmacud, Saturday December 13th and Sunday December 14th 2025.

**Total Contributions including Mass and Envelope collections and Food Vouchers, the amount collected to date is €22,726.00.**

The Members of the Local Conference of the Saint Vincent De Paul wish to thank you the Parishioners most sincerely for your kind generosity. Your generosity will help our work, replacing despair with hope. We are here to help and can be contacted either on 01-8550022 or directly to the local conference on 087 1639052. Finally the Local Conference is always looking for volunteers, please consider and contact the above mobile number to help those in need in our Community.  
Kindest regards, President and Members of the Kilmacud Conference.

### Lenten Prayerful Reflection on the Sunday Gospel

Our Lenten Journey Begins...\*

you are invited to deepen your relationship with God by listening prayerfully to the Sunday Gospel.

\*When\*: Every Thursday during Lent, continuing this Thursday 26th

\*Time\*: Begins at 10:30 am

\*Where\*: Front of the Church in the Prayer Room, on the left hand side.

All are welcome to join this journey of "Easter Reflections"

Light refreshments will be available

### Birthdays

We will pray, in a special way, at all Masses this weekend for all those who celebrate birthdays in February. You are invited to attend and receive a special blessing.

### Hospitality

We look forward to welcoming everyone for a cup of tea this weekend 21/22 February. Come & join us, all welcome

### Volunteer Handbook



Be a part of your Parish Community

All are welcome

### Padre Pio Library Borrow-read-return

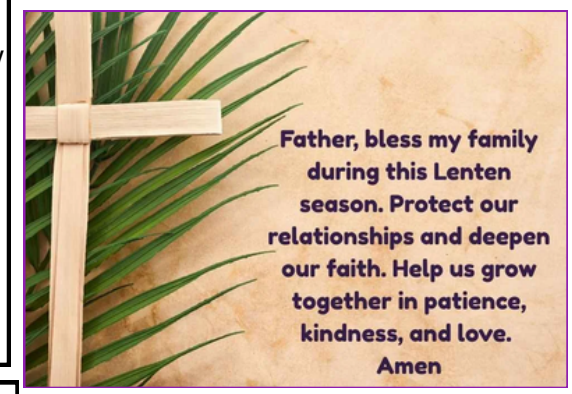
All books may be borrowed but remember to return them when you have read them so others may also have the opportunity to borrow them, Alternatively, all books may be purchased on the Padre Pio website

### Padre Pio Mass

Our monthly Mass is on this coming Wednesday here in Kilmacud. Blessing with the relic will take place after the Mass.

### Stillorgan & Kilmacud Active Retirement

Our next meeting will be on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> Feb @ 2pm



**Father, bless my family during this Lenten season. Protect our relationships and deepen our faith. Help us grow together in patience, kindness, and love. Amen**

### Holy Mass for the beatification of Alfie Lambe

**Sunday 1st March @ 12.30  
St Agnes Church, Crumlin**

### PARTNERSHIP TEAM

Fr. Joe Mullan, PP, Moderator  
Fr. Peter Ewaoche Johnson, CC  
Fr. Fergus O'Donoghue, SJ, PC  
Fr. Paddy O'Byrne, AP  
Fr. Brian O'Reilly, AP  
Fr. Ciaran Egan CC  
Sr. Catherine Greene

### Church of the Miraculous Medal CLONSKEAGH

Parish Office open Mon, Wed, Fri  
9:30am to 11:00 am  
Parish Secretary: Sylvia Leonard  
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### Church of St Laurence O'Toole KILMACUD

Parish Office open Mon to Fri  
9:00 am to 12:00 noon  
Parish Secretary: Christine Mullock  
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### Church of St Therése MOUNT MERRION

Parish Office open Mon to Fri  
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Head Sacristan: Shubert Laxina

### KILMACUD PARISH CENTRE

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