Church of St. Laurence O'Toole, Kilmacud "Meeting people where they're at and leading them to where God calls them to be"



Twenty-second Sunday of Ordinary Time Year B, 1st September 2024 You must do

what the word tells you

A few words from Fr Joe.....

During the summer, I assisted with some prayers at the marriage of Tom and Louisa in France. Tom is the son of old friends, I've known him since infancy, Louisa is from Algeria, a Berber and Muslim. It was a very new experience for me to meet people from Algeria and I had never been to a wedding where the Christian and Islamic traditions came together. I enjoyed some really interesting chats with her extended family, who mostly live now in France or Canada, seemingly modern-day Algerians, like the Irish of old, tend to emigrate in search of opportunities and prosperity. On the morning after the wedding her father came to find me. "I have a dream Fr Joe" he said warmly, "of bringing you one day to visit my home village." He went on to ask if I knew of St Augustine of Hippo, which of course I had, we all learnt one line from his writing, 'my soul O Lord is restless until it rests in You'. He explained that his village is right by the ancient site of Hippo and it seemed he knew a lot more about St Augustine than I did! I thought of him fondly during the week on the Feast Day of St Augustine.

If you read anything at all about St Augustine and his life, you will discover that he had a brilliant mind, a great gift for public speaking and deep love for women, certainly in the romantic way. Then he came to know of Jesus, the Gospel and the church made up of his followers and disciples. He was converted, nudged on by his mother Monica, and he became one of the great leaders and teachers in the history of religion. I'm always struck by how one person can be used by God to transform the culture of their day and guide those who search for truth towards our Lord and Master, Jesus Christ. I hope and pray that God might gift us someone to transform our faith in this new age of technology and social media.

Communication volunteers needed



We are looking for people who would be interested in helping us to work on our Parish communications.

This would take the form of a Parish Communications group of volunteers, including collaborating with the other parishes of Mount Merrion and Clonskeagh.

Various platforms are used for Parish communications, including newsletters, notice boards, websites, and social media, so there is a lot of opportunity to get involved. If you are interested in volunteering, please get in touch with the Parish Office.

Mass Times Mon, Tues, Weds, Fri &

Sat @ 10am Liturgy of Word Thurs@10am Saturday vigil 6pm Sunday 11.30am

Confessions/ Reconciliation After 10am Mass on Saturday morning (10.30)

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Building Hope with Open Hearts – Pastoral Letter from Archbishop Farrell

It is fairly rare now for the leader of the church in Dublin to address a letter to all of us. This weekend copies of his recent pastoral letter are available from the tables near the doors and online at www.dublindiocese.ie

This is a moment in time when the reality of becoming a smaller church is happening all around us. He invites us to read the letter, attend a local meeting and then be introduced to the pastoral resources which will guide the change process.



The firstfruits of hope (Rom 8:19-25)





Bayside Alpha are hosting on Zoom Bishop Barron's 6 week film series 'Conversion - Following the Call of Christ', starting on Sunday the 15th of September from 7:30pm to 8:30pm.

Bishop Barron illuminates six biblical stories of conversion, demonstrating how six ordinary people were met by Jesus where they were and called to a better life through Him.

To join this free course email Paul at alphabayside@gmail.com

Schedule of Masses in our Partnership: Clonskeagh-Mount Merrion-Kilmacud

	Clonskeagh	Kilmacud	Mount Merrion
Saturday Vigil		6pm	6pm
Sunday	10.30am		10am
Sunday		11.30	
Sunday evening			7.30pm
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Many thanks for your ongoing support.



6pm

31st & 1st September Mary T Smith (1st A) Joan Mc Ardle (RD) Miriam O'Connor (RD) Wallace Hunter (RD) John Hurley (1st A)

11.30am Rose-Mary Feely (1st A) John Lynch (22nd A) Con Breen (1st A) Paddy Wynne (RD) Edna Ennis (1st A)

7th & 8th September

6pm	Timothy O'Sullivan (A) Ann Flanagan (20 th A)	
11 20am	Soon O'Mathúna (A)	

Sean O'Mathúna (A) 11.30am Agapito Miranda (Birthday Remembrance) Sheila Dempsey (5th A)

> Hospitality - this weekend 31st August & 1st Sept

We warmly welcome you to come and join us for a cuppa after 6pm Mass this Saturday and after 11.30am Mass Sunday in the Parish Centre. All welcome.

Legion of Mary 6th September St Nicholas of Myra Church, Francis Street Dublin 8 Rosary @ 7pm, Mass @ 7.30pm

Stillorgan & Kilmacud Active Retirement

The Club will resume on Monday 2nd Sept at 2 p.m.

Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes

This is the last weekend in which can enrol as an Associate member of this year's pilgrimage. We will have tables near all three entrances to the Church this weekend. All donations collected go towards funding sick people who wish to participate in the Pilgrimage. The Associate names are recorded and brought to Lourdes with the Pilgrimage. A prayer card is issued to every member. Please help, in any way, if you can.







The 'Season of Creation' kicks off this weekend as we carry on reflecting on the papal address, Laudato Si and implementing change in our relationship with and appreciation of our God given world and all of creation.