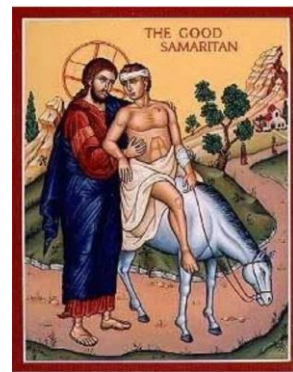




Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Rosary Monday to Friday Clonmellon 9.35am followed by Mass @ 10am



God has compassion on us. In the gestures and deeds of the Good Samaritan we recognise the merciful acts of God in all of salvation history. It is the same compassion with which the Lord comes to meet each one of us: He does not ignore us, he knows our pain, he knows how much we need help and comfort. He comes close and never abandons us. Each of us, ask and answer the question in our heart: 'Do I believe? Do I believe that the Lord has compassion on me, just as I am, a sinner, with many problems and many issues?'

Think about that and the answer is: 'Yes!' - **The late Pope Francis**



KILLALLON: Sun 10am:

CLONMELLON: Sun 11.30am: Anniv. Lizzie & Christy Mooney, Anniv. Olive Murphy & Anniv. Joseph Davis & Bernadette Masterson.

Feast Days: **Wed:** Our Lady of Mount Carmel



KILLALLON: Sun 10am: Anniv. Christy & Kitty Connell & d.f.m.

CLONMELLON: Sun 11.30am: James Flynn, Sheepstown & d.f.m. Anniv. James & Annie Fitzsimons & d.f.m.

Adoration: Every Monday 2.30pm – 8pm Clonmellon Church

Baptism: 1st and 3rd Saturdays, 11am in Clonmellon

While doing a little decluttering, there are a few items left in the porch of the Church, please feel free to take if you wish.

Your opinion matters – please bring this bulletin home with you and ponder the following suggestions and return to the Church next weekend or add to collection baskets.

➤ Would you like to see a **webcam facility** for Clonmellon to live stream daily mass, funerals, weddings etc?
Yes ☐ No ☐

➤ **Trip to Knock** Tue. August 26th departing Clonmellon 9.30am, Mass in the Apparition Chapel 12.30pm, lunch served after mass and departing for home approx. 3pm. Cost €20 incl. lunch in St. John's Centre (payment can be on the day). Please only sign & return if pretty definite you will attend to accommodate as many as possible.

Name _____

Contact Tel no. _____

➤ Proposing to have a **Saturday Vigil Mass in Clonmellon Church** if you agree. What time would you deem most suitable?

6pm ☐ 6.30pm ☐ 7pm ☐ 7.30pm ☐

➤ **Alter Servers** – If we could try to have full attendance for Masses next Sunday to arrange a Summer Trip to recognize and reward you for helping out. It would be great to agree a day that suits everyone.

POINTS TO PONDER: When individuals or groups are in conflict, it can be difficult for the conflicting parties to see any good in each other. In times of war, in particular, the warring parties often demonise each other. In the case of the current Israeli Palestinian conflict, for example, it is probably very difficult for many Palestinians to bring together the noun 'Jew' and the adjective 'good', and equally difficult for many Jews to associate the noun 'Palestinian' with the adjective 'good'. A pastor working in the Middle East confessed that never once was he even tempted to tell Palestinians a story about a noble Israeli. However, Jesus does the equivalent of that in today's gospel reading. We have become used to referring to the story Jesus tells as the parable of the good Samaritan. We can forget that in the Jewish world of Jesus the words 'good' and 'Samaritan' would never have been found together. We all have the potential to make tangible God's compassionate presence to others. The first step in doing that is to notice. It is first said of the Samaritan that he saw the traveller, he noticed him. Noticing is a small but very significant first step. Yet, it is not enough. The priest and the Levite also noticed, they too saw. What distinguished the Samaritan from them was that he allowed himself to be deeply moved by what he saw. Compassion involves that deep inner movement which comes from allowing ourselves to experience something of the pain of the other. That inner movement will lead to some form of outer movement, some appropriate action on behalf of the other. Such, according to the gospel reading, is the path to life. **Fr Martin Hogan curate in the parish of Finglas, Finglas West and Rivermount**

Hope you get to relax and enjoy the nice sunshine – Fr. David