

Ninetenth Sunday of the Year 10th August 2025



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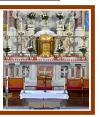
MASS TIMES AT CLONARD Public Mass and Masses via Webcam

Sunday 7:00am, 9:30am, 11:00am and 12:30pm

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday 7:00am, 9:30am and 6:15pm

Thursday (Novena) 7:00am, 9:30am, 6:15pm and 8:00pm

Saturday 7:00am, 9:30am and 12:00 noon. Sunday Vigil Mass 7:30pm



THIS SUNDAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

Wisdom 18:6-9
Learn from the Exodus: God will save us from all dangers.
Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19
Luke 12:32-48
Learn from the Exodus: God will save us from all dangers.
In praise of faith, and of Abraham, our father in faith.
Fear not, little flock. But be vigilant, faithful



THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Friday 15th August

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Holy Day)

Mass Times:

<u>Vigil Mass</u> Thursday 14th August at <u>8pm</u> Friday 15th August at <u>7:00am</u>, <u>9:30am</u>, and <u>6:15pm</u>

PILGRIMAGE TO ROME AND ASSISI

Join the Alumni & Friends of the

Catholic Chaplaincy at Queen's for a

Jubilee Year of Hope pilgrimage to

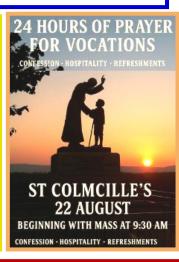
Rome & Assisi from 25 August to 1 September.

4* hotel accommodation, guided visits, and meals. This promises to be the trip of a lifetime. Don't miss

this unforgettable opportunity.

Only a few last places remaining!

Contact <u>Shannon Campbell</u> at: catholicchaplaincy@qub.ac.uk



REFLECTION: Luke 12:32-48 FEAR NOT, LITTLE FLOCK. BUT BE VIGILANT, FAITHFUL

In today's modern world, obsessed with instant gratification, status, and accumulating more, Jesus' words in Lukes's gospel are a gentle but urgent wake-up call. It reminds us to place our trust not in our investments or our possessions, but in God's lavish care. Jesus reassures us that we are loved and destined for a heavenly inheritance. Our greatest security is found in seeking "a treasure in the heavens that does not fail," and this is built through a life of faithful love and service of kindness to others.

This gospel is a powerful reminder to live with purpose and readiness. Jesus isn't asking us to wait passively but actively, using the gifts that we have been given. It is easy to delay spiritual growth or ignore the quiet promptings of the Holy Spirit. But Jesus warns: "To whom much is given, much will be required." We've been entrusted with time, talents, and truth so how are we using them and are we using them wisely? It is a direct challenge to us living in our fast-paced life to be intentional about actions and choices, recognising that each day is an opportunity to grow in love and service. This week's challenge is to choose one area of our life where we feel spiritually "asleep", perhaps in our relationships, our prayer life, or our use of time. Make a conscious decision this week to wake up and act.

So be the servant who lives ready, not someday, but now this week, today.

SPECIAL DAY OF PRAYER AND REFLECTION FOR GAZA

Archbishop Eamon Martin has called upon parishes, homes, and communities across Ireland to observe <u>Sunday</u>, <u>August 24</u>, as a special day of prayer and reflection for Gaza.



This call to prayer aims to promote peace and reflect on the suffering in Gaza.

The Archbishop encourages people to participate by:

- Lighting a candle in their homes or local churches.
- Attending Mass.
- Spending time in prayer or before the Blessed Sacrament.
- Praying the Rosary.
- Making a small personal penance or sacrifice.

The intention is to "let the light of hope radiate out from the island of Ireland for peace,

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

Monday 11th August St Clare, Virgin.

Thursday 14th August St Maximillian Kolbe

Friday 15th August The Assumption of the

Blessed Virgin Mary

Saturday 16th August St. Stephen of Hungry

Thank you

We <u>thank you</u> for last week's collections which came to £2,684 for Clonard, £898 for the Bishop. Also for your kind donations, online and by post.