

Clontarf & Scots Presbyterian Church

Change Normal

Or is life just different



From our Minister

I know I am not the only one who feels the surreal nature of looking back to last Easter and seeing a year that does not seem to have moved in any direction. Neither forward, nor backward. We have travelled through 12 months but are doing exactly the same things we did last year to mark this central time in our lives as a church. Or at least that is what it looks like at first glance.

Then when I give myself the time and space to just look, to actually see and hear others, suddenly it feels more like watching the outside of a cocoon. Slowly and ever so subtly there are the small marks of 'something', some change and a little movement. And I allow Easter to anchor me again in the deep truths that never allow me to drift away from our Lord's love. Then I become hopeful again, there is life growing here. But I have to be patient and allow it to immerse in its own time.

I learnt this lesson the hard way when I was a child. We would have eggs under a heating lamp, and on occasion you would be there when the chick was emerging. It looked like such hard work for the poor little thing that I wanted to help out. I was firmly told that the minute anyone intervened in the process of hatching, the chick would be condemned to die. It was the struggle to hatch that gave it the strength to live.

Hope you had a blessed Easter and may all our chick's hatch!

Lorraine

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REJOICE IN THE LORD

As Eastertime comes round again
Let us all remember
The birth of Christ on Christmas morn
In a stable in December.

He came on earth to save mankind
He wiped away our sin
By dying on a wooden cross
Our Saviour and our King.

Yes, Jesus Christ hung on that cross
Of this there is no question
But little did this world know then
Of His glorious Resurrection.

From century to century
His love has seen us through
In times of tribulation
Knowing exactly what to do.

Eastertime brings home to us
The sacrifice He made
And through the years as life goes on
Our trust should never fade.

So in this world of brokenness
May Christ remain our Light
And through the darkness of these
days

May we keep Him in our sight.

(POEM BY AIOVEEN SIMPSON)

Something Different Quiz Guess

Guess the Gardener

Another photo from our Gardener No one has yet guest who the gardener is.....



Please send answers to:

newsletter.editor@clontarfchurch.ie

Join in photo's

Or anything to get folk thinking.

Thank you John S for responding to
guessing the gardener
Sorry but not the person you guessed.

THE ALMIGHTY

I give you what you ask for... ask for..

anything you want

All you want to do is say it.. say it

Say it loud and clear

Chorus : What is it going to be .. to be..

Are you brave enough ? (2)

Its so easy, easier than you think

I'll be your best friend

I'll be with you always

Let me be your guide

I'll be right your side I can help you get it,

says our Almighty

says our Almighty, says our Almighty....

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