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# OBELISK - Killiney Hill



*Photo: John Fahy*

## LANDMARKS IN OUR NEIGHBOURHOOD

**KILLINEY HILL** – In early times, the area we know today as Killiney Hill was part of the lands of Rochestown and Dalkey Commons. It belonged for many centuries to the Norman family of **Talbot**, who also owned Malahide Castle.

**Mount Mapas:** The original house, Mount Mapas (Killiney Castle, today) was built in 1740 by Col. John Mapas. It is also written that in 1764, Henry Loftus enlarged the house, improved the gardens and cut a carriage road around the hill. In 1790, Lord Clonmel (Copperfaced Jack) spent £3,000 on the property and stocked it with deer. He employed 200 men and planted numerous trees. The property changed its name many times over the years. It has been called Mt. Mapas, Roxborough, Loftus Hill and Killiney Castle. There are prints in the National Library showing the house as a small castellated residence with the Obelisk in the background.

The property was bought by Robert Warren and in 1840 he enlarged the house and called it Killiney Castle. He also restored and added to the monuments on the hill. The park, also called Victoria Hill, was purchased from his son, Robert Warren Jnr. by Queen Victoria's Jubilee Memorial Association in 1867.

**The plaque on the main gate** has the following inscription:

*Acquired by the Queen's Jubilee Memorial Association Dublin 21/6/1887, the day appointed for celebration of 50th year of the reign of Queen Victoria. Opened as a public park on 30/6/1887 by His Royal Highness Prince Albert Victor of Wales.*

Prince Albert was the grandson of Queen Victoria, Duke of Clarence & Avondale (1864-1892). Locally, Albert Road was named in his honour.

**The actual opening of Killiney Hill as a public amenity** was described by The Times of London:

*There was a meet of drags (horse drawn carriages) at Ball's Bridge, and these, to the number of ten, followed the Royal party to Killiney, where a public pleasure ground was to be opened. The journey was only broken at Blackrock, where a stoppage of a few minutes was made in front of the Town Hall, and an address was presented to which Prince Albert Victor, without alighting, replied.*

**1891:** Killiney Hill and surrounding lands passed into public ownership in 1891.

**1930s:** The Park was extended in the late 1930s when it was taken over by Dun Laoghaire Corporation (as it was called then). Today, it is still owned and managed by the Parks Dept of Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown CoCo.

### OBELISK ON KILLINEY HILL

Killiney Hill's topography is quite dramatic. Its highest point at the Obelisk is 170m above sea level.

**1741** was a very harsh winter in Ireland and famine was widespread. This famine predates the more famous famine of 1845-1849 known as The Great Famine.

**The society of the day in 1741** held the belief that reward without labour, even to those in need, was seen as misguided. However, to hire the needy for work on useful projects would deprive existing workers of their jobs. Thus, construction projects termed 'famine follies' were built. These include: roads in the middle of nowhere, between two seemingly random points; screen and estate walls, piers in the middle of bogs and much more besides.

**The Killiney Obelisk** was built in 1742 by Colonel John Mapas as one of these famine follies. The local poor benefited greatly.

The Obelisk provides a dominant landmark from land and sea. It also marks one of the most striking panoramic views in Ireland, with Killiney Bay and the Wicklow Mountains to



*Photo: Obelisk by John Fahy*

the south; Dalkey Hill and Island to the north; the Irish Sea to the east and Dublin to the west.

A carved Carrara marble plaque records the erection of the structure as a famine relief project, following the hard winter of 1741:

*Last year being hard with the poor the walls  
about these hills and this (obelisk) erected by  
John Mapas Esq. June 1742.*

**Building material:** The structure is built entirely of rubble granite, and consists of a slender, hollow cone, sitting on top of two diminishing, square-planned chambers.

**Upper Chamber:** The upper chamber served as a belvedere, with three windows, a fireplace and a doorway leading to an external viewing gallery.

**External Stairs:** Originally the upper chamber was reached by an external staircase that appears in several historic prints.

**1840:** The external stairs were removed during a restoration of the structure in 1840 carried out by Robert Warren (an event also commemorated on the building by a Carrara Marble plaque) at which time a new internal staircase was constructed.

**1891:** In the south facing ground floor niche, a third commemorative plaque in cast iron, records the passing of Killiney Hill and surrounding lands into public ownership in 1891.

**1853:** To note also, Robert Warren also erected the elegant granite-built gate lodge tower at Killiney Hill Road, completed in 1853, together with the cut-granite archway and gate-lodge which is such a feature of Killiney Village.

**In this time of 5k limits,** it's worth looking at and appreciating these and other landmarks in our immediate environs. The Obelisk is open to the public during the summer months under the supervision of DLR Heritage Events.

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*Margaret Dunne*

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**THE UNVEILING OF ARCHBOLD'S KEEP**

Archbold's Castle on Castle Street here in Dalkey is a 14<sup>th</sup> century National Monument. It took its name from tenants of the adjoining land and was one of two castles owned by the Dungan family. Dungan's Castle, long gone, was once located on the corner where Dalkey Avenue now meets Castle Street. A commemorative plaque placed in the

pavement by Dalkey Tidy Towns today marks that site.

Over the past few years, our Dalkey Tidy Towns team planted and maintained the flower beds surrounding Archbold's Castle and repaired the paving where possible. In July 2019, Rosa Murray contacted DTT. Her relative, Jack Thomas, owned a small Dairy Farm located off Tubbermore Road from the late 1800's. Rosa still had at that property a family heirloom from the farm which turned out to be a large cast iron Famine Pot as evidenced by the very thin copper lining designed to prevent rust contamination of the soup which played such an important role during the Great Famine. Rosa and her family kindly donated this very impressive pot to DTT and this is now on display beside Archbold's Castle.

And so began a new focus on the somewhat forgotten space surrounding Archbold's Castle. As the heart of medieval castles was often referred to as the Keep and we already had flower beds, some seating and the Famine Pot in place, the concept of Archbold's Keep was born. DLRCC architect Bob Hannan and his team were consulted and from that emerged their plan to create a special place of rest within the Keep. As part of the Covid-19 safety programme, bollards which restricted access were removed, a new rectangular flower bed was created in a central position, Harry Latham's commemorative bench was relocated to better overlook the space and a range of new street furniture was introduced. Within days of Archbold's Keep being completed, it became an instant success as seen by the many members of the public looking for a safe place of rest which also allowed for important social distancing. We thank Bob Hannan and the DLRCC team for all their much appreciated help. Our DTT team will ensure that the Keep is now added to our maintenance schedules. The help of all in keeping this lovely addition to our Town clean and tidy will be greatly appreciated.

*Photo: Des Burke-Kennedy*

*Dalkey Tidy Towns*

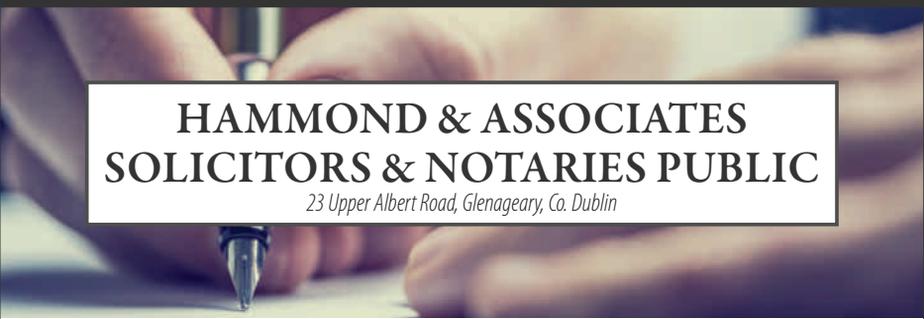
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Some years ago wandering through the woods on Killiney Hill I came upon a young boy and his mother staring upwards intently, fascinated by something in the tree above them. I couldn't see anything and asked them what they were looking at to which the boy replied that he thought it must be a squirrel, a animal I got the impression he hadn't seen before. They moved on but, frustrated I still couldn't see the creature, I stayed looking for it then realised what they'd been looking at.

It wasn't a squirrel they'd seen but a bird, a tree creeper, walking up and around the trunk of the tree almost flat against the bark. If you weren't familiar with tree creepers it would be understandable to mistake it for a small mammal. The cryptic plumage on their wings, designed to mimic tree bark and quite beautiful seen up close, gives them a mouse like appearance and you don't often see them fly till they make their way to the top of a tree before taking off, flying to the base of another one and starting the upward spiral again (they always move up a tree, never down).

I would have said their diet is almost totally insect based and in the worst of winter weather it's really difficult to imagine how they sustain themselves when no insects are around but a lot of insects will have naturally died off in winter perpetuating their species by laying eggs and it's often these eggs and grubs that the tree creeper will be finding in the grooves of the tree bark. Some sources say they take conifer seeds in the winter and they have been reported going on to peanut feeders but I wouldn't be surprised if they're actually eating tiny insects among the peanuts not the nuts themselves.

It's a stretch to imagine them eating seeds since their curved bill is the thinnest of any of our bird species. They might have another distinction in having the whitest chest and belly of any of our passerine (perching) species but since it's nearly always pressed against a tree trunk it can be difficult to observe. We see them regularly on Killiney Hill often around the same patches of woodlands and apparently research has found they stay in one particular area and often won't go more than 500 metres from there.



*Lucy spotted and photographed this tree creeper in Killiney in early December.*

*Photo: Lucy Desierdo*

Beekeepers say you should never give bought in honey to honeybees in a hive and you shouldn't give it to individuals you find semi dormant or who look like they need help since the non local honey might contain viruses and bacteria which the rescued bee can then carry back to the hive and infect the rest of the colony with.

I've come across loads of bumblebees on the ground in a drowsy state and though it's generally best to leave wild animals alone unless they're in obvious serious distress, in mid January I thought the bumblebee I found motionless on the footpath was in imminent danger of getting stepped on so I brought it home on the back of my hand. I've been stung by bumblebees but never by one I've picked up, only when I've accidentally grabbed one up in a bunch of leaves or once after kneeling on one unfortunate creature. Unlike most honeybees



bumblebees don't die if they sting you but I've picked them up lots of times and they've never tried to sting but always seemed comfortable and placid. Perched on the back of your hand you can observe them closely, seeing the tiny hooks on the end of their feet and with this particular bee I could see that at one stage its antenna came out of its head

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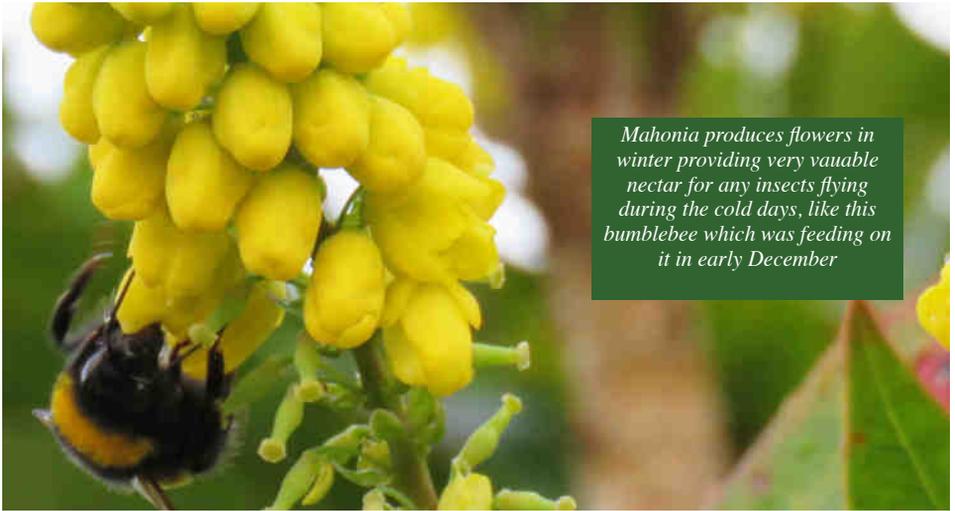
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then bent up at a perfect right angle, looking more like a tiny TV aerial than a body part. As mentioned earlier you're not supposed to give honey to honeybees but a bumblebee wouldn't have a live hive at this time of the year and the honey I had was given to me just the previous day by a neighbour sourced from his own beehives, as local as it could possibly be.

The bumblebee, still on the back of my hand, came instantly alert when I put a small piece of honeycomb beside it and its tongue extended towards it (*Above right and previous page*). Another aspect of bumblebees when seen up close is that what looks like the tongue is actually like a sheath from which a tiny forked flicking tongue appears and with that it began lapping up the honey. I placed it on top of the soil in a planter and left



it outside but it was still there the following day, still alive but very sluggish. Some more honey was given and devoured but four days later the bumblebee was still there, still stumbling around. I didn't hold out much hope for it but placed some more honey nearby which may have done the job and fuelled a take off since returning soon after I found the honey was gone and so was the bee.



*Mahonia produces flowers in winter providing very valuable nectar for any insects flying during the cold days, like this bumblebee which was feeding on it in early December*



*No idea what the weather is going to be like in February but late winter last year was very mild at times resulting in some of my snowdrops being eaten by snails who wouldn't normally be out and about so early. But the end of February last year was mild enough for this lizard to appear on the very last day of the month on Dalkey Hill*

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Each day, we are experiencing a few more precious minutes of daylight. After a few months of dormancy, towards the end of February, temperatures are slowly rising, light levels increasing and our dawn chorus is increasing in volume. All may seem quiet in the garden and sometimes, looking out our windows, we still see frigid stems and blank white skies, like almost as if they are frozen in time. However, rest assured, our Winter kissed gardens are slowly coming back into life again. Buds are opening on early spring blossom and our flowering bulbs are pushing their way through our soil. Admittedly, much of our present early magic is happening underground, far and away from our human eyes where early emerging pollinating insects need them most.

As we know in 2020, when the Corona Virus hit, a nation of accidental gardeners rediscovered their gardens. Gardening is good for our physical, mental and social wellbeing. In the words of Audrey Hepburn, *'To plant a garden is to believe in tomorrow'*. Gardening can help with depression and be tremendously beneficial for people suffering with bereavement, loneliness and illness. IT IS GREEN THERAPY. In these unsettled times, gardening may be the perfect antidote to some of our troubles and worries. There is always something requiring attention in the garden. It provides a general distraction to occupy our minds. It gives purpose, focus and an end result for our efforts. Scientific research has proven that getting dirty is actually good for us. Our soil contains the harmless bacterium *Mycobacterium Vaccae* which releases dopamine and serotonin, a natural antidepressant in the brain and makes us happy. Likewise, sowing, growing and harvesting crops are incredibly therapeutic and rewarding. We should never underestimate the power of nature to calm and centre thoughts and to inspire hope for the future. The anticipation that there is something to look forward to, simply works wonders to lifting the spirits, gardening requires us to slow down, contemplate and appreciate the little details in life that can be easily missed if we're racing around at full speed. It reminds us of our connection with nature and the wonderful cycle of life that is going on right under our very noses, (in my case, would love a shorter nose!) So, despite Covid, seeds will be sown, moved on, flowers will bloom, produce fruit and finally seed again and so our wonderful cycle of life continues. Is there not anything more re-assuring than this.....

MAYBE, IDENTIFY YOUR SOIL TYPE. Remember, 'right plant, right place', and your plants will thrive. Soils can be identified in their general types by the way they feel and respond to handling. Pick up a handful and squeeze it together. Sand feels gritty and the grains do not stick together when squeezed. Loam feels velvety or flour-like when dry. Clay feels sticky but goes smooth when rubbed. Chalk will have large lumps and be hard to mould. Most importantly again, identify your soil type and work with it. Remember again, the golden rule, 'right plant, right place'. Worm castings are an organic form of fertiliser produced from earthworms, also known as vermicast. Worm castings manure is essential earthworm waste, otherwise known as 'worm pee'. Marvellous for improving soil aeration, drainage as well as increasing water retention in soil.

The benefit of seeding in February is if it goes well, the plants will mature earlier. Sowing in March and April is easier because of extra light and warmth. Ideally, seeds need to be placed into a sealed propagator to create a warm atmosphere which will not dry out. Rather than torture yourself with thread like, leggy seedlings right now by starting them too soon, perhaps

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divert your energies into taking suitable cuttings. Again, remember for later, one of the secrets of success with vegetables is to grow the best varieties. I don't feed indoor plants till mid February, as plants begin to notice slightly longer days. I then feed approx weekly and weakly. Occasionally, the odd plant gets a trip to the shower!

Wonder, are you into Polka Dots dominating your garden, 'one-offs'.....you know lots of ones, one single plant of each type, 'onesies', instead of an impact, full group of drifts of several of the same variety. I much prefer the en masse effect...

### ROSEMARY BEETLE

Rosemary beetle is an insect that eats the foliage and flowers of various aromatic plants, such as rosemary, lavender, sage and thyme. Rosemary beetle has spread rapidly, since first being found breeding in central London in the late 1990s. Sure, they are beautiful. So, no harm to inspect your Mediterranean herbs for metallic green rosemary beetles if they start to look nibbled and tatty.

The Age-Old Practice, Called Forcing Branches.

Forcing spring branches into blossom indoors in a vase, is one of my favourite things to do. So maybe, bring your outside indoors, too! Create your own stunning display for the house and fill your house with fragrance. Willow, Pussy Willow, Forsythia, Spirea, Chimonanthus Praecox, Flowering Quince, Prunus Mume, Winter Honeysuckle are but a few stunners.



*Rosemary Beetle*

*Photo: P. Thomas*

### Some Magnificent Flowering And Scented Shrubs Worth Planting Now

1. *Daphne bhoula*, Jacqueline Postill.
2. *Sarcococca confusa*, a stunner.
3. *Chimonanthus Praecox*, native to China, strongly scented pendant flowers.
4. *Hamamelis virginiana*, spider like flowers on bare branches known as witch hazel.

### MIGHT DO MAYBE FEBRUARY JOBS

1. Transplant deciduous shrubs growing in the wrong place while they are still dormant.
2. Best to keep off the grass if it is frozen or frosted, as the damage from your feet may show up as yellow patches.

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4. Wash parsley seeds in warm water the night before you want to plan to sow them and then, lay them out to dry on kitchen paper overnight. This washes off the germination inhibitor in the seed coat and will give you a harvest in a shorter time.
5. Cacti have once again, become a popular choice of houseplant and require little attention. Winter, for most species is their dormant period, so they require little watering and no feeding yet. Be sure plants are receiving an adequate amount of light.

In February, Almost Everything Seems Possible. Maybe, whet your appetite by buying some seeds from some of our great suppliers:

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*Dalkey 2014 Maiden Hair Tree, Ginkgo Biloba, is the only living species in the division Ginkgophyta, all others extinct. It is a member of a very old genus, with some fossils dating back 200 million years ago.*



*Dalkey, 2021. Hailed as undoubtedly one of the most distinct and beautiful of all deciduous trees. Maiden Hair tree, its fan shaped leaves turn a stunning yellow colour in autumn. It can tolerate many urban conditions, including heat, air pollution, salt and confined spaces.*

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## OUR SPECIAL DALKEY CHRISTMAS LIGHTING SQUAD



Every Christmas, those lovely festive lights just suddenly appear throughout the Castle Street area. This past Christmas was even more special with each and every one of the new olive and acacia trees illuminated, rooftops festooned and the ginkgo tree transformed at Writers Corner. The result was really beautiful and did help to lift our spirits for the holidays.

As ever, supported so well by DLRCC and working quietly in the background to illuminate Castle Street, was a dedicated and sometimes forgotten team. For all their help, we would like to give a special thanks to Blaithe O'Brien, Margaret Dunne, Alan McDonald, Matt Malone, Colm Murphy and Discover Dalkey and others. Already thoughts have turned to how to make Christmas 2021 even better!



## AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL



An Amnesty group for people in the Dalkey area welcomes new members. If you are interested and would like to help, then contact Andrew Furlong, the coordinator, at [awufurlong@gmail.com](mailto:awufurlong@gmail.com) for further information.

Amnesty International began with one man's outrage and his courage to do something about it. After learning of two Portuguese students imprisoned for simply raising a toast to freedom in 1961, British lawyer Peter Benenson published an article, "The Forgotten Prisoners" in the *Observer* newspaper. That article launched a worldwide campaign that got an enormous response. Reprinted in newspapers across the world, his call to action resonated with the values and aspirations of people everywhere. This was the start of Amnesty International. More than 50 years later, standing up for individuals who have been wronged is still at the heart of what its members do.

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### ACTIVITIES IN LORETO

In Loreto we have been doing a lot of outdoor learning due to Covid-19. Some activities we have done are charcoal drawings of Dalkey Island, creating and acting out movie scenes and ads in English and Irish and we also planted tulip bulbs. We have a weekly session with Southside Sports as well as doing our PE classes outside. Our favourite outdoor activity was when we got to try our school's new recyclable



*Loreto students on their Pop-Up chairs Photo: Loreto P.S.*

cardboard chairs and a photographer came to do a photo shoot with our class. Since coming back to school after lockdown we have done lots of art including self-portraits backed onto Frida Kahlo inspired paintings; the colour wheel where we used the primary colours and mixed them to make secondary colours and Christmas gnomes made out of clay. We loved these activities because we had never done them before, and we got to design our own creations.

School has been difficult this year because of Covid-19. We have been put into pods that change every term. We're not allowed to share our belongings or mix pods to prevent Covid-19 from spreading. Our teachers have been amazing. They are trying their best to help us see our friends in other classes by having Zoom calls and playing charades with them! The year has been different but it was great to come back to school to see our friends.

*By Lily McEvoy & Mia Hefferon (5th class)*



### HAROLD BOYS NATIONAL SCHOOL NEWS



#### Cycling Safety with Rang a 5



During our first school term 2020/2021, fifth class eagerly started cycling safety lessons. Our two coaches were Noel and Tony.

We started the lesson with a simple braking activity where we cycled to a white line and then we used our brakes to stop at the line. After this activity, our coaches prompted us when they wanted us to stop, which created great excitement as it was more challenging and unpredictable.

Next, we were split into two groups. The first thing we did was learn how to turn left and right correctly and safely. First, you look behind you to check for oncoming traffic, and then you point your hand the direction you're turning.

Finally, you place your pedal up and then proceed to turn. We proceeded to learn another new skill where you cycle around a cone with one wheel on one side and the other wheel on the other side. Lastly, we competed in a slow race where we had to go as slow as possible without stopping or putting our foot on the ground. It was trickier than it sounds however, the whole class enjoyed it. We cannot wait for more cycling safety lessons in the coming weeks.

*By Rory Murphy*



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***A BETTER BUILT HOME IS A GANNON BUILT HOME***



Last year was our last time doing Forest School, we have really enjoyed all of our time up in Killiney Hill and we are going to miss it. We were the first class in the DSP to do Forest School and because we were the first people to do it, we are now making videos about how to play all the different games and activities that we do up there. This is so that

when the Senior Infants go up to Killiney Hill for Forest School for the first time, they can watch our videos and learn how to play the games and also what it was like for us doing Forest School.

In our school we do Forest School every second year; so Senior Infants, 2nd Class, 4th Class and 6th Class. In the first two years we learn a few games and get used to being up there. We also learn about Nature and how to protect it and we learn all about the Forest, then in the later years we do a lot more activities, weaving bracelets, making spider webs, making all kinds out of things we find in the Forest. Recently, we made trees out of sticks and decorated them for Christmas. We made a time lapse video of it. We laid the sticks on the ground and then we were given a willow branch to bend into shape and we made a star for the top of our tree.

We were also given little discs that were made from branches and we decorated them and put them on the tree as well. We have done so many activities in the Forest over the years and I have really enjoyed it. I have loved Forest school and we are all going to miss it.



## PLANNING APPLICATIONS – Weeks 47-52 16/11/2020 to 31/12/2020

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**Reg. Ref.:** D19A/0932

**Application Rec'd Date:** 2-Dec-2019

**Applicant Name & Location:** Clós Nua Ltd.: site of c. 0.232 ha at The Tramyard, Castle Street, Dalkey.

**Proposal:** Permission for development consisting of: Demolition of 2 no. non-original, vacant single storey buildings and concrete plinth (C.503.5 sqm) on eastern side of site to be replaced by a 3 storey over basement building with roof garden, partial demolition (C.740 sqm) of 3 no. vacant, partly original tram shed buildings at the north-west of the site and the reconstruction in that location of the tram shed form with a raised roof profile, demolition (c.36 sqm), reconstruction and extension of cottage in western corner; and the overall construction of a mixed use development ranging in height from 1 to 3 storeys (over basement) plus roof pavilion and garden, comprising cultural (c.311sq.m), retail (c.94 sqm or c.562 sqm if the north-west ground floor unit is occupied as retail space with off sales), cafe bar (c.127sq.m); office (c.594.5 sqm), health centre (c.700.5 sqm over two floors) and bar/restaurant uses (c.287.5 sqm or c.755.5 sqm if the north-west ground floor unit is occupied as a restaurant with bar space). At basement level, the development will comprise a plantroom and cultural space. At ground floor level, the development will comprise a public plaza with seating; 3 no. retail kiosks (c.21.5sq.m in total); a community notice board with steel canopy; a single storey cafe bar unit within the cottage walls being retained with a new glazed extension on ' western elevation; a unit to be either retail with off sales or restaurant with bar use (c.468 sqm); a cultural venue (c. 311 sqm); office lobby (c. 68.5 sqm) and a retail unit (c.94 sqm). At first floor level, a total of c.594 sqm of flexible office space will be provided and health centre space (c.378.5 sqm) all accessed via lift from ground floor lobby or via external stairs from ground to first floor terrace. At second floor level, the health centre space is continued (c.322 sqm) and at third floor level a bar/restaurant (c.287.5 sqm) with external garden area will be provided, with customer access via direct lift from ground floor. 72 no. bicycle parking spaces and a bin store (C.30 sqm) will be provided at ground floor level. The development will be accessed via the existing gates and piers at Castle Street, which will be re-furbished and retained in the development. Service access will be provided via the existing access off Castle Street and via the laneway off Castle Street. The original granite setts and tram lines will be lifted and relaid in their existing layout. The associated site and infrastructural works include provision for water services; foul and surface water drainage and connections; attenuation proposals; all landscaping works; new lighting proposals; green roofs; boundary treatment; and electrical plant areas at basement, ground, first floor and roof level. The site is located within the Dalkey Architectural Conservation Area and contains Tram Lines (Protected Structure RPS No. 1463) and Gates and Entrance Piers (Protected Structure RPS No. 1471). **Additional Information Rec'd (New Adds):** 17-Nov-2020.

**Reg. Ref.:** D20A/0524

**Application Rec'd Date:** 28-Jul-2020

**Applicant Name & Location:** Iain MacDonald, Killeen, 35C Castlepark Road, Sandycove.

**Proposal:** Permission for development. The development will consist of: The demolition

of the existing two storey detached dwelling and garage to rear, the subdivision of the site and the construction of 2no. houses as follows: 1no. 273sqm three storey four-bedroom + study detached dwelling fronting onto Castlepark Road, and 1no. 125sqm two storey two-bedroom detached dwelling fronting onto Hyde Park. The development will include the provision of a new vehicular entrance from Castlepark Road, the widening and enhancement of the existing vehicular entrance from Hyde Park, along with site boundary upgrades, associated site works, landscaping and services. **Additional Information Rec'd (New Adds):** 18-Nov-2020.

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**Reg. Ref.:** D20A/0843

**Application Rec'd Date:** 16-Nov-2020

**Applicant Name & Location:** Fiona Mcverry and Thomas O Mainnin, 7, Saval Park Gardens, Dalkey. A96RX29. **Declare Application Invalid:** 19-Nov-2020.

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**Reg. Ref.:** D20A/0854

**Application Rec'd Date:** 20-Nov-2020

**Applicant Name & Location:** Mark and Sarah Fitzpatrick, 12, Old Quarry, Dalkey.

**Proposal:** Permission is being sought for the relocation of vehicular entrance and driveway, new front boundary wall, alteration of north elevation, change of roof finishes, single storey extensions to the front, rear and sides and the addition of a 1st floor to existing single storey house and the lowering of ground levels and all ancillary site services.

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**Reg. Ref.:** D20B/0370

**Application Rec'd Date:** 16-Nov-2020

**Applicant Name & Location:** Maurice & Karen Johnson, Woodmere, 2, Hyde Park, Dalkey, Glenageary. A96A2H3

**Proposal:** Permission for works to an existing house. The development will consist of the renovation and alteration of the existing house, including part demolition and the addition of a new single storey extension to the side and rear, increasing the overall floor area from 201 sqm to 222 sqm. Permission is also sought for all associated site development works.

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**Reg. Ref.:** D20A/0870

**Application Rec'd Date:** 25-Nov-2020

**Applicant Name & Location:** Fiona Mcverry and Thomas O Mainnin, 7, Saval Park Gardens, Dalkey. A96RX29

**Proposal:** Permission for development at this site. The development will consist of: Planning in the side garden for 2 story 2 bedroomed semi-detached house with shared drive. Demolition of side extension. Change of roof profile to 7 Saval Park Gardens.

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**Reg. Ref.:** D20B/0377

**Application Rec'd Date:** 23-Nov-2020

**Applicant Name & Location:** Alan & Maria Stewart, 49 Mapas Road, Dalkey.

**Proposal:** Permission is sought for the conversion of attic to a study room including the demolition of the existing side chimney, the building up of the side gable wall to form a dutch hip roof, a dormer window to the rear, a rooflight window to the rear, two rooflight windows to the front, removal of the existing side window and two new side windows. All of the above together with all associated site works.

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**Reg. Ref.:** D20A/0903

**Application Rec'd Date:** 4-Dec-2020

**Applicant Name & Location:** Tony & Phil Walsh, 6, Barnhill Road, Dalkey, A96V2K4

**Proposal:** Permission for development at this site. The development will consist of demolition of existing ground level terrace and replacement with new single storey flat roofed 'family member' extension, with 3 No. rooflights and reconfigured ground level terrace. Incorporating redesigned undercroft all at lower ground floor level and accessed by new internal staircase. Extension to comprise 2 additional bedrooms, kitchen, living and sanitary facilities, all to rear (North) elevation of existing 2 bedroom detached bungalow. All associated demolitions, drainage and landscaping.

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**Reg. Ref.:** D20B/0396

**Application Rec'd Date:** 04-Dec-2020

**Applicant Name & Location:** Ronan O'Kane & Carla Waddy, 20, Castlepark Road, Sandycove. A96XE89

**Proposal:** Permission is sought for development consisting of demolition of existing single storey extension to rear and construction of a new part two storey part single storey extension to rear, new ensuite window at 1st floor level on existing side elevation, new conservation style velux roof window to front elevation and a new rooflight to existing roof to rear. A new single storey garden store & studio to back garden, along with ancillary site works  
**Reg. Ref.:** D20A/0917 **Application Rec'd Date:** 08-Dec-2020

**Applicant Name & Location:** Alan Harrison, 46 Mapas Road, Dalkey.

**Proposal:** Permission is sought or widening of existing entrance gates (Total proposed extended width 3.2m) revisions to existing gates and ancillary works.

**Reg. Ref.:** D20A/0932 **Application Rec'd Date:** 10-Dec-2020

**Applicant Name & Location:** James Kearney, 4, Hyde Park, Glenageary. A96K7X9

**Proposal** Permission is sought for extension and alteration works to the existing granny flat attached to the main house, comprising a flat roof single storey rear extension with roof lights, re-proportioning of the window to the front elevation and all associated removal and ancillary site works.

**Reg. Ref.:** D20A/0933 **Application Rec'd Date:** 10-Dec-2020

**Applicant Name & Location:** Rebecca and Alan Maughan, Clooceeda, 35b, Castle Park, Dalkey. A96DK49

**Proposal:** Permission for development at this site. The development will consist of amendments and modifications to the permission given for a 2 storey pitched roof extension comprising open plan kitchen/sitting room with 2 reconfigured bedrooms over. Replacement hipped roof with raised ridge & rooflights over upper first floor. Modifications to fenestration. 20 sqm solar panels to south. Some internal modifications. Vehicular gate widened to 3.5m and set back by 1.7m under reg ref D18A/1120. Amendments to include: a reduction in the overall height and size of the proposed 2 storey extension, metal cladding to roof. Retention of the majority of the existing roof over upper first floor, no solar panels- not setting back vehicular gate, only widening to 3.5m. Some modifications to fenestration. Including all associated demolitions, drainage and landscaping at this detached 2 storey house

**Reg. Ref.:** D20A/0935 **Application Rec'd Date:** 11-Dec-2020

**Applicant Name & Location:** Andrea O'Donovan, Khyber Pass, Sorrento Heights, Dalkey.

**Proposal:** Permission to demolish the existing house and erect a terrace of three no four storey houses (one with four bedrooms, one with three numbers and one with two bedrooms) plus one roof garden over the house at the North-West end, together with associated site works, including provision of six car parking spaces.

**Reg. Ref.:** D20B/0300 **Application Rec'd Date:** 02-Oct-2020

**Applicant Name & Location:** Karolina Lynch, 4, Saval Park Road, Dalkey.

**Proposal:** Permission is sought for single storey rear extension, new shed to the rear garden which consist off home office/gym, and storage, plus associated site works and some internal alterations. **Additional Information:** 07-Dec-2020.

**Reg. Ref.:** D20A/0904 **Decision:** Declare Application Invalid **Date:** 9-Dec-2020

**Applicant Name & Location:** Dermot Deverell, Trafalgar House, Victoria Road, Dalkey.

**Proposal:** Permission to re-open old entrance to the rear. The old entrance opened onto Rockfort Avenue, it has been walled up in the past, one of the original granite gate posts is remaining and it is intended to retain this for the reopened entrance.

**Reg. Ref.:** D20A/0978 **Application Rec'd Date:** 21-Dec-2020

**Applicant Name & Location:** Christophe Passuello, Altamont, Knock-Na-cree Road, Dalkey. A96 YP60.

**Proposal:** Permission for external fins to courtyard of previously proposed two-storey dwelling (as outlined in planning Reference nos. D19A/0692 and D20A/0718) which has frontage onto Ardrubh Road.

**Reg. Ref.:** D20A/0984

**Application Rec'd Date:** 21-Dec-2020

**Applicant Name & Location:** Nicole Treacy, Shanter, 23, Saval Park Road, Dalkey, A96FD23

**Proposal:** Permission is sought for development consisting of demolition of existing sunroom and partial demolition of existing single storey extension to the back and their replacement with a single storey pitched roof extension with rooflight(s), widening the vehicular access to the front driveway, associated minor alterations and ancillary site work.

**Reg. Ref.:** D20A/0997

**Application Rec'd Date:** 23-Dec-2020

**Applicant Name & Location:** Anne Cleary, Capri, Sorrento Road, Dalkey, A96 V560.

**Proposal:** Permission for development consisting of replacement verandah to the front elevation of existing house to include new entrance porch, extended verandah to front of existing study with new terraced doors to existing window opening, new folding doors to semi enclosed area external to existing living room. Provision of new lean to single storey storage room to existing north west gable with double doors front and rear.

**Reg. Ref.:** D20B/0437

**Application Rec'd Date:** 23-Dec-2020

**Applicant Name & Location:** Hannah & Richard Chapman, Hamara, Castle Park Road, Dalkey.

**Proposal:** Permission for changes to previously granted planning permission ref. No. D19B/0390, including new window detail to front elevation balcony, new external finishes and revisions to single storey extension to west elevation, internal alterations and associated site works.

## PLANNING DECISIONS FOR Wks. 47-52 2020 16/11/2020 to 31/12/2020

**Reg. Ref.:** D20A/0481

**Decision:** Grant Permission

**Date:** 16-Nov-2020

**Applicant Name & Location:** Loreto Abbey Secondary School Board of Management Loreto Avenue, off Harbour Road, Dalkey, A96 YC81.

**Proposal:** Permission sought for the erection of a detached single storey temporary demountable building containing 2 No. classrooms, associated site works and ancillary related works (within the curtilage of a protected structure RPS 1445).

**Reg. Ref.:** D20A/0681

**Decision:** Refuse Permission

**Date:** 18-Nov-2020

**Applicant Name & Location:** Peter Kane, Verona, 68, Ulverton Road, Dalkey, a Protected Structure.

**Proposal:** Permission sought for restoration and renovation of an existing three storey house. Works include necessary repairs to the fabric and energy upgrades. This will include repairs to the bolstered and damaged external plaster with new external insulation reinstatement of the existing dental course under the parapet with plaster finish painted to match existing blue coloured render New D.P.C under the parapet. Remove carefully repair and re-fitting of the existing window boxes to the front elevation with new drainage. Replacement of the external door and windows with triple glazed Crittal windows. Form a new ope and fit an additional window to the sitting room on the east elevation at upper ground level. Fit new double doors to the lower ground floor on the east elevation. Close up the existing window, now overlooked by the new adjoining house, on the side or south elevation. Cracking in the external walls requires structural repairs to the interior including removal of non-functioning chimney stack, insertion of steel joists at floor level to provide structural to the external walls and floors. Replace the over painted cork ceilings to the internal floors with plaster slab and skim to give a fire rating as required to the building

regulations. Repair existing cast iron downpipes and decorate. Infill existing openings in the external concrete balustrades with laminate glass in slim aluminium frames at the upper entrance level to Ulverton Road to prevent fall hazard and repair the spalls in the concrete, fit stove enamelled handrail to raise balcony railing to 1200mm over finished level. Extend the existing internal staircase and construct an additional bedroom and ensuite at roof level. New roof level to be 1800mm above the existing parapet. Fenestration to this area to be incritical glazing. Re-wiring to the house and new heating system with air source heating pump concealed to the back of the parapet. Reconstruction of existing garage with storage over and external helical stairs.

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**Reg. Ref.:** D20A/0682      **Decision:** Refuse Permission      **Date:** 16-Nov-2020  
**Applicant Name & Location:** Linda Sherlock, Lisfannon, Rockfort Avenue, Dalkey, A96NW24

**Proposal:** Permission is sought for a vehicular entrance from Rockfort Avenue with inward opening automated gate, off street car parking space, dishing of the kerb and footpath at the front of the proposed vehicular entrance and ancillary works.

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**Reg. Ref.:** D20A/0689      **Decision:** Request Add. Info.      **Date:** 18-Nov-2020  
**Applicant Name & Location:** The Board of Management of Loreto Abbey Secondary School, Loreto Avenue, off Harbour Road, Dalkey.

**Proposal:** Permission for development. The Proposed Development is adjacent to Protected Structure (RPS 1445), but outside of the curtilage. The Proposed Development will consist of a 1.5m wide footpath along the west of Loreto Avenue; footpath will tie in with existing footpath at northern end and will terminate to the north of the 2 no. disabled spaces at its southern end; the footpath will run west of the disabled spaces with the existing spaces being relocated slightly to the east to facilitate a 1.5m wide footpath; the existing set-down will be surfaced with paving to match existing at the sports hall; the new set-down will be relocated to the northwest of the sports hall, with minor road widening to allow vehicles to safely manoeuvre; a pedestrian crossing will be installed east of the sports hall to provide a safe link to the school grounds; bollards will match existing and will be installed along the edge of the paved area to prevent indiscriminate parking; it is proposed to provide 3 no. stainless steel Sheffield stands southeast of the sports hall. The application includes all associated site and engineering works to facilitate the proposed development. An Appropriate Assessment Screening Report, Natura Impact Statement and Architectural Heritage Assessment have been carried out and are attached with this application.

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**Reg. Ref.:** D20A/0694      **Decision:** Grant Permission      **Date:** 19-Nov-2020  
**Applicant Name & Location:** Patrick Hannigan and Edel Neville, Marabel, No.4, Knock-na-cree Road, Dalkey. A96N4X2

**Proposal:** Permission is sought for amendments to previously approved planning permission D19A/0623. The proposed amendments include revisions to front and rear landscaping, removal of car port, reduction in excavations to site resulting in revisions to lower ground floor and alignment of walls and roof to north facing terrace edge.

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**Reg. Ref.:** D20A/0700      **Decision:** Grant Permission      **Date:** 20-Nov-2020  
**Applicant Name & Location:** Judith Doherty & Donal Sexton, Castleview, Ardrugh Road, Dalkey, A96 FR98.

**Proposal:** Permission for development. The development will consist of alterations and extension of the existing house to include demolition of an existing rear sun room and provision of a single storey front extension to the west/south elevation, a single storey rear extension to the north elevation, two new windows to the ground floor west elevation, a new window to the ground floor east elevation, a new window at first floor north elevation, two new rooflights to the ground floor east facing roof slope, alterations to existing

windows on the first floor north elevation, widening of the existing vehicular entrance & associated site works.

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**Reg. Ref.:** D20A/0836      **Decision:** Declare Applic. Invalid      **Date:** 20-Nov-2020

**Applicant Name & Location:** Aisling O Neill, 6, Mapas Avenue, Dalkey, A96P684.

**Proposal:** Permission for development at this site. The development will consist of: Permission to relocate one pillar to widen existing vehicular entrance

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**Reg. Ref.:** D20B/0300      **Decision:** Request Add. Info.      **Date:** 20-Nov-2020

**Applicant Name & Location:** Karolina Lynch, 4, Saval Park Road, Dalkey.

**Proposal:** Permission is sought for single storey rear extension, new shed to the rear garden which consist off home office/gym, and storage, plus associated site works and some internal alterations.

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**Reg. Ref.:** D20A/0355      **Decision:** Grant Permission      **Date:** 24-Nov-2020

**Applicant Name & Location:** Noel and Valerie Quirke, On a site of 0.031 ha, at 4 Rocklands, Harbour Road, Dalkey. A96 CF76

**Proposal:** Permission for development. The proposed development will consist of the construction of 1 no. 2 bed, split level dwelling (approx. 96.8 sqm GFA) at approx. 2.7 m to 5.9 m in height with associated private open space, 1 no. car parking space, bicycle storage, 1 no. PV panel at roof level, bin storage, boundary treatment works and all associated site development and site services works. New gated vehicular and pedestrian access will be provided to the site via Harbour Road, and a new pedestrian access will be provided to the site via Rocklands.

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**Reg. Ref.:** D20A/0703      **Decision:** Grant Permission      **Date:** 24-Nov-2020

**Applicant Name & Location:** Brendan Seaver, Odessa, Ardeevin Road, Dalkey.

**Proposal:** Permission is sought for the demolition of single storey pitched roof extension to the side of the existing dwelling and the subdivision of site, and construction of a new 3bed, split level contemporary flat roof dwelling over 3 levels , accessed from the existing vehicular entrance off Ardeevin Road , on-site parking and all ancillary site works necessary to facilitate the development

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**Reg. Ref.:** D20A/0718      **Decision:** Grant Permission      **Date:** 27-Nov-2020

**Applicant Name & Location:** Christophe Passuello, Altamont, Knock-Na-Cree Road, Dalkey, A96YP60 which has frontage onto Ardburgh Road

**Proposal:** Permission for proposed amendments to Planning Permission Reference no . D19A/0692 including amendments to the location of the dwelling on site, to the fenestration of both dwellings and all hard and soft landscaping including external steps, planters and paving. Proposed amendment to driveway to 2-storey dwelling and proposed lowering of retaining wall between dwellings. To the two-storey dwelling proposed enclosing of lower ground level terrace and reconfiguration of dining area, proposed drop in floor level of bedrooms, proposed new windows and door to east elevation and proposed new rooflights, proposed plant room and storage under driveway and amendment to external stairs and landscaping to lower courtyard. To the single-storey dwelling proposed drop in first floor level by 150mm and increase in parapet height by 100mm, proposed new chimney and new rooflight, proposed removal of 2 no. windows and relocation of 1 no. window to west elevation , proposed amendments to edge of driveway and increase in height of driveway by 250mm with proposed storage and plant-room under

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**Reg. Ref.:** D20A/0721      **Decision:** Request Add. Info.      **Date:** 26-Nov-2020

**Applicant Name & Location:** Marian and Justin MacInnes, Montpellier, Ardeevin Road, Dalkey, (a protected structure).

**Proposal:** Permission to relocate and alter existing entrance gates, pillars, walls and associated works to improve visibility interest of safety (a protected structure).

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**Reg. Ref.:** D20A/0521      **Decision:** Grant Permission      **Date:** 03-Dec-2020  
**Applicant Name & Location:** Gillian Keily, 7 Tubbermore Road, Dalkey, A96 Y5D1  
**Proposal:** Permission for development consisting of the removal of existing partly demolished structures in rear garden, and the refurbishment, extension & alteration of existing terraced dwelling house comprising rear single storey extension for new kitchen, utility, wc, dining & living room, & refurbishment of existing dwelling to provide two bedrooms, bathrooms, office & associated internal & external alterations, all arranged around new courtyard garden, alterations to existing rear access to mews laneway and associated works to landscaping, drainage, boundaries etc.

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**Reg. Ref.:** D20A/0726      **Decision:** Refuse Permission      **Date:** 30-Nov-2020  
**Applicant Name & Location:** John Sheridan, To the rear of and within the curtilage of St German's, Vico Rd. Dalkey, which is a protected structure and is accessed from Torca Road  
**Proposal:** Permission for a new flat roof, 5 bedroom, split level, contemporary dwelling and all ancillary site works including terraces, access road, onsite parking, landscaping, and associated drainage work. A new vehicular entrance is proposed. It is also proposed that the existing boundary wall to Torca Road is to be repaired and raised in height to form a guardrail. The application is similar to and an amendment of the previously approved planning applications, reg ref: D17A/0995 and D15/0730.

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**Reg. Ref.:** D20A/0736      **Decision:** Grant Permission      **Date:** 2-Dec-2020  
**Applicant Name & Location:** Alan McNab & Jennifer Martin, Radharc, 5, Knocknacree Grove, Dalkey.

**Proposal:** Permission for relocation of vehicular entrance to access 2no. new carparking spaces at street level; new pedestrian entrance; new 1.8m high boundary to part of front; replacement of existing windows to front with sliding doors; conversion of integral garage to utility room with fenestration changes within existing ope and above; landscaping and level change works; all ancillary works.

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**Reg. Ref.:** D20A/0739      **Decision:** Refuse Permission      **Date:** 4-Dec-2020  
**Applicant Name & Location:** David Andrews & Alex Baradi, Belvedere, Harbour Road, Dalkey, A96A393.

**Proposal:** Permission for development. The proposed development consists of the demolition of an existing two storey dwelling, and construction of a replacement two storey dwelling all associated site works.

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**Reg. Ref.:** D20A/0750      **Decision:** Grant Permission for Retention      **Date:** 4-Dec-2020  
**Applicant Name & Location:** Justina Proctor & Anthony Quigley, 16, Corrig Road, Dalkey, A96R5X5

**Proposal:** Retention permission for development. The development will consist of; Retention of erection of timber trellis fencing to the rear stone boundary wall, in the rear garden of the existing two-storey semi-detached dwelling **Applic. Type:** Permission for Retention.

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**Reg. Ref.:** D20A/0904      **Decision:** Declare Applic Invalid      **Date:** 9-Dec-2020  
**Applicant Name & Location:** Dermot Deverell, Trafalgar House, Victoria Road, Dalkey.  
**Proposal:** Permission to re-open old entrance to the rear. The old entrance opened onto Rockfort Avenue, it has been walled up in the past, one of the original granite gate posts is remaining and it is intended to retain this for the reopened entrance.

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**Reg. Ref.:** D20B/0328      **Decision:** Grant Permission      **Date:** 11-Dec-2020  
**Applicant Name & Location:** Caitriona Minogue & Ciaran Fitzgerald, Corrymeela, 18, Cunningham Road, Dalkey.

**Proposal:** Permission for development. The development will consist of enclosing the existing ground floor terrace, to the side and rear of the house, in full height glazing.

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**Reg. Ref.:** D20B/0300      **Decision:** Grant Permission      **Date:** 8-Jan-2021

**Applicant Name & Location:** Karolina Lynch, 4, Saval Park Road, Dalkey.

**Proposal:** Permission is sought for single storey rear extension, new shed to the rear garden which consist off home office/gym, and storage, plus associated site works and some internal alterations

**Reg. Ref.:** D20B/0354      **Decision:** Grant Perm. & Retention      **Date:** 06-Jan-2021

**Applicant Name & Location:** Colin & Kate Doherty, "Greeba", Killiney Road, Dalkey.

**Proposal:** Permission & Retention Permission is sought for development consisting of a new two storey extension to front and side and a new window at ground floor level on eastern elevation. Retention of existing single storey extension to rear, along with ancillary site works.

## Appeals Notified by An Bord Pleanála Wks 47-52, 16/11/20 to 31/12/20

**Reg Ref:** D20A/0300      **Reg. Date:** 24-Apr-2020

**Location:** The Flags, Dalkey Avenue, Dalkey, A96 DX94

**Development:** Permission is sought for; The development will consist of: the demolition of existing dwelling and replacement with a proposed 2-storey dwelling with attic space, to accommodate 4 bedrooms and associated living spaces; the proposed modification of existing vehicular entrance with the addition of a proposed pedestrian gate; a proposed new boundary fencing and associated landscape works. **Council Decision:** Refuse Permission.

**Appeal Lodged:** 19-Nov-2020 **Nature of Appeal:** Appeal against Refusal of Permission.

**Type of Appeal:** 1st Party Appeal. **Reg Ref:** D20A/0660. **Reg. Date:** 17-Sep-2020.

**Location:** Site c. 0.291ha part carriageway leading to Torca Rd bounded to South & West by San Elmo protected structure RPS 1622 San Elmo Lodge & The Orchard Site bounded to East by lands rear of Mount Salus Rd & to North by lands adjacent Torca Rd Dalkey.

**Development:** Permission for development. The development will consist of the construction of a two storey, four bedroom dwelling house (gross floor area c.373 sq. m) and the provision of 2 No. external amenity terraces at first floor level on the southern and eastern elevations. The proposed development will include the provision of a separate car parking area (at first floor level within the substantive site) to the west of the proposed dwelling with a new vehicular access at grade from the carriageway leading to Torca Road. The car parking area (with plantroom/ store below) will accommodate 2 No. car parking spaces, bin store and bike store. An external pedestrian link bridge will provide access from the parking area to the first floor level of the proposed dwelling house. A second pedestrian entrance to the first floor level will be provided at the eastern end of the site via a raised access from the existing carriageway leading to Torca Road. The proposed development will include for a green roof to the dwelling house and bin store. The proposed development will also include for the widening of c. 84 m of the carriageway leading to Torca Road to provide for a carriageway width of c. 3.7 m-c 4.2m; the regrading and re-surfacing of c. 54 m of the carriageway and the associated relocation of 4 No. existing public lighting standards. The proposed development will include for the removal of derelict ruins to the western boundary of the site, hard and soft landscaping, new boundary treatments including the increase of height of the existing boundary wall between the site and the carriageway leading to Torca Road to generally match that of the San Elmo Lodge boundary, attenuation tank and associated drainage works, changes to site levels, and all associated site development and excavation works above and below ground.

**Council Decision:** Refuse Permission. **Appeal Lodged:** 8-Dec-2020. **Nature of Appeal:** Appeal against Refusal of Permission. **Type of Appeal:** 1st Party Appeal.

## Appeals Decision by An Bord Pleanála Wks 47-52 9/11/'20 to 31/12/'20

**Reg. Ref.** D20A/0249 **Appeal Decision:** Grant Permission **Appeal Decided:** 23-Nov-'20  
**Council's Decision:** Refuse Permission. **Location:** 20 Hyde Park, Glenageary, A96 H2T2.  
**Proposed Development:** Permission for the demolition of a single storey pitched roof side garage with single storey side annex, construction of a two storey detached house consisting of a kitchen, dining, living, study, store and WC at ground floor and two bedrooms and one bathroom at first floor. To the front a bin store and a single car parking space. A new vehicular and pedestrian entrance for 20 Hyde Park. Development to include associated landscaping and ground works, including new boundary walls to subdivide the site at the side. **Applicant:** Conor Sherlock and Audrey Sherlock.

**Reg. Ref.:** D19A/1003 **Appeal Decision:** Grant Permission. **New Determination Date Due:** 16-Nov-2020. **Appeal Decided:** 17-Dec-2020. **Council's Decision:** Grant Permission. **Location:** 121, Hillside, Dalkey, A96R599.

**Proposed Development:** Permission is sought for: (1) Demolition of the existing converted former garage attached to the side of the existing house and existing shed to rear, (2) Construction of 1no. detached two storey, three bedroom infill dwelling of 135.3m2 with single storey element to side and rear, all to side garden of existing house, (3) construction of new vehicular entrance to front to serve existing dwelling, (4) Construction of new vehicular access to the rear of the property off existing cul de sac for single car usage for proposed new dwelling and, (5) Ancillary site works necessary to facilitate the development including SUDS surface water drainage, site works, boundary treatments and landscaping. **Applicant:** Joan Matthews.

**Reg. Ref.:** D19A/1023. **Appeal Decision:** Grant Permission **Appeal Decided:** 17-Dec-'20  
**Council's Decision:** Grant Permission.

**Location:** Ardeevin House, Ardeevin Road, Dalkey.

**Proposed Development:** Permission for demolition of two storey extensions (124m2) and outbuildings to the side and rear of the existing house. Construction of two storey over basement extension to the side and rear of the main house (287m2) and associated site works. Construction of a 7m2 single storey extension to the mews house to the rear of the site. Amendments to the entrance steps and a new front door. Replacement of lead roof covering to the front elevation bays with zinc. Re-rendering the existing house with block marked render to match existing. Installation of wrought iron railings to the first floor window sills of the existing house. **Applicant:** James Corrigan.

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Cholesterol is a type of fat that is found in the blood and while a certain level is necessary for cell function, if there is too much it sticks to the artery walls to form plaques. This can result in narrowing of the arteries which can lead to heart attack or stroke. There are two main types of cholesterol HDL (high density lipoprotein) and LDL (low density lipoprotein). HDL cholesterol is known as the healthy cholesterol as it clears up cholesterol left behind in your arteries and carries it to the liver where it is broken down and excreted. Regular exercise, a healthy diet and stopping smoking can increase your HDL levels.

LDL cholesterol is called the bad cholesterol as it sticks to the walls of the arteries making it narrower reducing the blood supply to your heart and brain. Foods high in saturated fats raise your LDL cholesterol. LDL levels can be decreased by increasing intake of Monounsaturated fats (found in olive, peanut, rapeseed, avocados, seeds and nuts) and omega 6 fats (found in vegetable oils, soya beans and some nuts).

A third type of fat in your blood is triglycerides which increases the chances of getting heart disease and stroke. High levels are more likely if you are overweight, drink too much alcohol, eat a lot of sugary foods and are not active.

Your cholesterol levels are measured by a blood test that is done when you are fasting so is normally carried out first thing in the morning. This is done with the GP but most Pharmacies offer a screening service. The healthy levels that should be aimed for are:

Total cholesterol – less than 5 mmol/L

HDL cholesterol – more than 1 mmol/L

LDL cholesterol – less than 3 mmol/L

Triglycerides – less than 2 mmol/L

If you have high cholesterol that cannot be managed with changes to your diet then it is likely that you will be started on medication to lower your cholesterol. This is done to reduce your risks of developing cardiovascular disease.

Overall good heart health can be maintained by maintaining a healthy weight, taking regular exercise, eating a diet low in saturated fat and processed foods, eating more wholegrain food and oily fish twice a week. Other factors that impact on heart health are smoking, high blood pressure and stress.

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## LORETO NS GREEN BUSINESS AWARD

On Friday 18th December, two girls from 6th class went with their teacher Mrs. Kavanagh and Principal Mrs. McKenna to award Gary's Gourmet Pizza the winner of Loreto NS Green Business award.

Loreto Green Schools invited businesses to take part in a survey to see how ecological they are. Back before COVID 19 shut the schools down, last year's 6th class students approached the local businesses and asked them to complete a questionnaire; they had put together, about their green policies. Dalkey businesses are actually very conscientious and demonstrated that they are keen to keep their carbon foot print down and conserve the environment. Of those that took part, all of them had green policies where possible. There were a number of different categories including reusing, recycling, green travel, use of non damaging products, low use of heat and electricity and using suppliers that have ethical products, supply chain and policies.

However, the overall winner was Gary's Gourmet Pizza because of their use of recyclable pizza boxes, green transport where possible and their economical use of heat.

After a short speech, Mrs. Kavanagh and the girls awarded Gary his award, which he was delighted to receive. He explained how important saving the planet is for him, expressing that he wants his young family to have a safe future.

**Fun fact:** Gary's Gourmet Pizza has a pizza called 'the Loreto'! We can assure you that it is delicious as he very generously made us some pizza to take away!



*Gary from Gary's Gourmet Pizza*



*The Loreto*



*Rosie, Gary, Lorea and Amaia*



*Mrs. McKenna (Principal) with Gary*

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**Sunday Services for February** – Each Sunday 10.30am Morning Prayer on Zoom . As the situation may change at short notice please check our website for all the latest details.

**Our Lady's Manor** – The Eucharist will be celebrated in Our Lady's Manor on the 2nd and the 16th of the month. An updated leaflet entitled 'Pastoral Care Information for Residents & Their Families' is now available from the Parish office or from reception in the Manor. The leaflet gives details of service times, some prayers for personal use and contact details for the chaplain.

**Craft Group** – Since the end of last term on Zoom not much craft has been going on. We did manage to make a nice donation to Breadline Africa from the sale of our knitted gloves. It was really nice to receive an official letter of thanks, which gave us a good idea of what that money can do. We meet every Tuesday afternoon from 3.30pm to 5.00pm.

**St Patrick's Dramatic Society** – Little has changed, in drama terms, with any actual stage productions by St. Patrick's Dramatic Society being strictly on hold. The group, like other organisations within the parish, continues to use Zoom to allow our members keep in touch – something even more necessary now that we are back in lockdown. More play readings are planned for the coming few months as we enjoy performing, watching and listening to the closest thing that we can get to in drama terms in these very difficult times. It may not be a full house but some 20 members / friends tune in for these occasions and hopefully will continue to do so in 2021.

**Book Club** – Our next Book Club will meet on Zoom on Friday 26th February at 7.30pm. Our book for February is yet to be chosen but at the time of writing we are currently reading '*The Beekeeper of Aleppo*' by Christy Lefteri. If you would like to join the Book Club you would be very welcome to do so; simply email the Parish Office and more details will be sent to you.

**Pastoral Support Group** – Our Pastoral Support Group is there to help in these challenging times. This support can take the form of helping with shopping, collecting prescriptions, or simply having a chat over the phone. There is a dedicated telephone number (085 786 5949) which is checked daily. You can leave a voicemail, send a text, or communicate via the messaging service WhatsApp. Please note that this number is not intended for emergencies.

**Centering Prayer** – We continue to meet for Centering Prayer on Monday evenings at 7.00pm through Zoom. We take a few minutes to greet one another and then we share a time of silent prayer. Even through the medium of Zoom there is very much a sense of gathering together and praying together in the shared silence. The shared silence is for 20 minutes and we conclude by saying the Grace together. Then we have a little while to chat before the session ends. Anyone who would like to share in the time of silent prayer is welcome. Please let the Parish Office know.

**Condolences** – Geoffrey W.R. Medcalf M.B.E. (Dalkey, Co. Dublin) January 14, 2021. Peacefully in his 100th year in the wonderful care of the staff at Our Lady's Manor Nursing Home, Dalkey. Beloved husband of the late Jane (née Mackesy). May he rest in peace and rise in glory.



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**Wednesday 3rd at 8 pm:** Anne Lane will present her talk '*By the Way 2: Public Art in Ireland*', via Zoom to the Rathmichael Historical Society - €5 charge. Log onto: [www.rathmichaelhistoricalsociety.ie](http://www.rathmichaelhistoricalsociety.ie) to obtain access details.

**Thursday 4th at 8 pm:** David Ryan will present his talk '*Buck Whaley - Ireland's Greatest Adventurer*' via Zoom to the Mount Merrion Historical Society. Log onto: [www.mountmerrionhistorical.com](http://www.mountmerrionhistorical.com) for access details.

**Tuesday 9th at 8 pm:** Declan Ryan will present a short talk '*Lennox Robinson*' via Zoom to the Foxrock Local History Club. Donation required - email: [info@foxrocklocalhistory.ie](mailto:info@foxrocklocalhistory.ie) for access details.

**Wednesday 10th at 8 pm:** The Old Dublin Society will host a lecture from a guest speaker via Zoom. Free - for access details email: [olddublinsociety@gmail.com](mailto:olddublinsociety@gmail.com).

**Tuesday 16th at 8 pm:** Rob Goodbody will present a talk '*Ballycorus Lead Mines*' or one on another subject via Zoom to the Foxrock Local History Club. Donation required - email: [info@foxrocklocalhistory.ie](mailto:info@foxrocklocalhistory.ie) for access details.

**Wednesday 24th at 8 pm:** The Old Dublin Society will host a lecture from a guest speaker via Zoom. Free - for access details email: [olddublinsociety@gmail.com](mailto:olddublinsociety@gmail.com).

### **The Dublin United Tramways Company (Dec 2020/Jan 2021) Newsletter**

The Dublin Tramways Co. which commenced operations on 1 February 1872, the Dublin Tramways Co, which commenced operations in 1873, and the Dublin Central Tramways Co. which commenced operations in 1879, amalgamated on 1 January 1881 to form the Dublin United Tramways Co. (DUTC) giving it a route mileage of 32 miles in Dublin City and suburbs.

Note part of this amalgamation was the Dublin Southern District Tramways Co., which commenced services from Dalkey to Kingstown on 17 March 1879 and from Blackrock to the City Centre on 16 June 1879 with the Blackrock-Kingstown gap served by an omnibus service until 1881 when it ceased operation. The gap was then filled by the Blackrock & Kingstown Tramways Co. which commenced operation in 1885 but was not a commercial success and was acquired by the Dublin Southern Tramways Co. in 1893. In 1896 the DUTC and the Dublin Southern Districts Tramways Co. merged to form a new company, the Dublin United Tramways Co (1896) which embarked on electrifying its routes with the last horse tram operating on 13 January 1901.

In 1925 the DUTC commenced running bus services and began replacing uneconomic tram routes with them. In 1937 the company announced that it was abandoning tram operations in favour of buses on a phased basis which was nearly completed in 1940 and then suspended due to the Emergency. In 1942 the company name was changed to the Dublin United Transport Company to reflect that it was then principally a bus operator. Post 1945 only 5 tram services remained in operation. The Dartry and Terenure tram service was closed in 1948 and the Dalkey, Dún Laoghaire, and Blackrock services in 1949.

### **A Stormy Start to 1916**

New Year's Day 1916, which was not a public holiday at that time, was extremely stormy due to a south-westerly gale with rail services between Dalkey and Dublin being suspended for a time due a tree falling on the line at Sydney Parade until it was cut up and removed. The storm also brought down telephone and telegraph lines but normal service was restored the following day.



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## PUBLICATIONS

'Dún Laoghaire Borough Historical Society Journal No. 30', produced by the Editorial Committee of Mona O'Donnell, Seamus O'Connor, Anna Scudds, Colin Scudds and Maria Hayes, published by the Dún Laoghaire Borough Historical Society, ISSN 0791-3670

Among articles featured in this year's Journal include - 'Did you notice? Juggy's Well' by Séamas Cannon, recalls a public water pump in Monkstown now built over; 'The Soldiers and Sailors Refreshment Buffet at Kingstown Harbour during World War One and its volunteers' by Dermot O'Riordan, recalls this buffet located on the Harbour pier and the types of lapel badges worn by volunteers who worked in it and in other similar facilities; 'Queen Victoria's Fountain' by Brendan McGovern provides a brief history of this fountain, built in 1901 vandalised in 1981 and restored to its former glory in 2003; 'Employment and Industry [in] Kingstown 1871-1881' by Maria Hayes looks at the various activities taking place in the town during this decade under a number of headings including Agriculture, Tourism, Building Trade, Retail Trade, Banking in addition to tables showing Male and Female Occupations; 'Born Over the Shop' by Mary Burnham is a super biography of her mother Gretta Hughes, an accomplished pianist who often filled in on the Late Late Show when the regular pianist was not available and in the 1970s went on the road with ballad singer Maisie McDonnell; 'The Christian Brothers School (CBS) Eblana Avenue', by Colin Scudds is the subject for this year's 'A Kingstown Fire, December 1909' by James Scannell recalls a major fire to the premises of Edward Lee and Co. in George's Street.

Copies of this 76-page journal (No. 30), price €7 are on sale in a number of shops in Dun Laoghaire, and are also available at the post paid price of €9.50 (Ireland) and €11.50 (Rest of the World) from the Hon. Secretary, Dun Laoghaire Borough Historical Society, 7 Northumberland Park, Dun Laoghaire, Co. Dublin.

Back issues of journals 25 to 29 are available at the post paid price of €8.50 (Ireland) and €10.50 (Rest of the World).

Visit the Dun Laoghaire Borough Historical Society at [www.dunlaoghairehistorical.com](http://www.dunlaoghairehistorical.com).

**JAMES SCANNELL**



## DTT VOLUNTEER ACHIEVES HER GAISCE AWARD

Congratulations to our lovely friend and volunteer Ciara Shaefer who recently received her Gaisce award. Ciara and her Mum Bridget volunteer with DTT on Saturday mornings with the Gleamers. Ciara brought along her Gaisce medal and certificate and all the DTT volunteers were very proud of her and delighted to have played a small part in helping Ciara to achieve this amazing personal goal. Well done Ciara!



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### FROM THE RECTOR

Our Christmas Day service was ‘sold out’ long before it happened, and our apologies to anyone disappointed. It couldn’t be helped. Neither could the lack of a Carol Service indoor or outdoor. But perhaps the truth of Christmas had a chance of being a bit more visible with some of the usual trappings blown away by the cold wind of Covid. The comfort blanket of lights and singing and decorations covers up more than it illuminates. But as for decorations, my thanks to all who worked to make the church beautiful for the season and to those in the 2020 Vision Committee who came up with good ideas of things to do and actually did them! Thanks as well to teachers and school staff and students who have come through a long term since September with flying colours and I hope the Christmas break will have refreshed them.

Our online services have made a great difference in that more people seem to be looking in than were actually attending in person before. This is slightly bewildering if you are a Rector. Work on the new entrance and access is going on rapidly and the heating system is doing the business.

**Videostream of Sunday Church Service** at 10.45am and Thursday at 10:30am can be accessed via the link on the website (<https://holytrinitykilliney.com/>) or through our Facebook page.

**Parish Organisations** Many of our Parish organisations cannot meet due to the current Covid 19 restrictions. However they would like to send their members best wishes for 2021 with the hope that normal meetings will resume later in the year.

**Flower Guild** decorated the church for Christmas with a small, socially distanced team and was pleased with the festive look. Thank you to those who helped. However, it will be wonderful when we are able to have everyone involved again. A key part of the decorating is usually all the close interaction, followed by refreshments, when we can catch up with everybody’s news. There is no Flower rota for the moment, however, if you feel you would like to do an arrangement, while keeping safe, please contact June Hurley.

**Holy Trinity Killiney Parish Pen Pals!** Before Christmas we kicked off our “Parish Pen Pals” programme, the purpose of which is to help us all stay connected as a community in these trying times. The children of fourth class (9 and 10 year olds) in Glengearay Killiney National School have been busy writing letters and are eagerly anticipating the response! The aim is to benefit anyone in the parish who finds that they have a little extra time on their hands these days, while at the same time helping our fourth class students develop their letter writing skills and widen their horizons as they learn, from source, about the lives and experiences of others. This programme is being piloted through December, January and February with the children of fourth class writing to parishioners before the 10<sup>th</sup> of each month and participating parishioners responding before the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month. We would like to say a big thank you to the students and parishioners who have kindly agreed to take part in this programme.

**Deli stall order and delivery scheme.** – Instead of our Annual Christmas stall, the Deli

team offered a selection of wares for order and delivery. All produce was fresh and freezer ready. A range of main courses serving one or two were offered, quiches, a selection of desserts, teaback, Christmas puddings in 3 sizes, lemon curd, marmalade, jams and chutneys were also available. Over 50 orders were received and delivered, a mammoth task was completed. Financially, it was very successful and the team are now in recovery mode!

**Sheep Thrills** have met twice via ZOOM, and had two themes to discuss. The first was Art, the second a favourite gadget. Both topics were very interesting with the usual good chats and laughs. We are continuing to sell via Facebook with click and collect in operation. We still have loads on offer to sell. Before Christmas we knitted lots of Christmas decorations for the Hamper project that was organised by the Parish. Please contact Joan 087 2460078.

**Church Review** – Subscriptions for 2021 are now due and may be paid by cheque (€30 made out to Marianne Irvine). If you are a new subscriber please contact Marianne (012858136) for more details.

## 2020

Whatever happened to Spring this year?  
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awakening?  
Where was the joyful magic of re-birth?  
Yes, the fresh grass grew greener –  
Snowdrops smiled in the Sunshine –  
Primroses peeped from newly moistened  
clay –  
Birds sang as they gathered twigs for nests –  
Even April showers fell gently.

But we – we were trapped in another  
Universe,  
We spoke a different language- pandemic-  
social distancing- economic shock – shut  
down – cocooning-  
Death became a statistic on a table – relayed  
by the Media  
17 – 139 – 387 – always rising.

Our master was a Virus –  
A vicious, violent force unleashed –  
Did we even know it was Spring?  
But seasons change – the year rolls on.  
Nature continues – nurturing – healing  
–  
Bringing hope and certainty –  
Another April will come.  
The golden daffodils will trumpet their  
joyful arrival –  
Gorse on the mountains – celandine in  
the forest –  
will herald new life – a new beginning.  
We will hear creation singing in the  
wind, in the trees, in the sky  
And our hearts will dance again to the  
music of Spring.

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We have endured a long, dark and difficult winter but longer, brighter evenings are finally on the way as February 1st - marks the first day of spring:

This time of year is certainly about re-birth and life re-emerging after the months of darkness. Sheep are yearning, the calving season has started, flowers are emerging and buds appear on trees. Life is literally springing up all around us, as we celebrate the arrival of longer, warmer days and the early signs of spring. 'Imbolc' literally means "in the belly" in the old Irish Neolithic language and it is one of the four major "fire" festivals, referred to in Irish mythology. The other three festivals are Bealtaine, Lúghnasadh, and Samhain. Brigid is one of Ireland's patron saints and was known also as a fertility goddess in Celtic mythology. She is often referred to as 'Brigit of Kildare', and was said to be the founder of several monasteries of nuns, including that of Kildare. She is also associated with perpetual, sacred flames, and there is also a shrine dedicated to her in Kildare. One of the most common traditions of the day is to make a Saint Brigid's Cross. These crosses are relatively simple to make, and traditionally, Brigid's crosses are made on Brigid's Eve, January 31st. They are usually made from fresh rushes, but you can also use straws if you don't have them. They are made in a cross shape with a square shape in the middle and then four arms coming along each side; you can find plenty of ideas online as to how to make them. Ancient folklore suggested that the crosses had the power to protect the owner's home from harm.

Our attention in the church calendar now turns to preparing for the coming Easter. This is a time of preparation, an opportunity to take a chance to reflect and look to where we are in our lives. As the days lengthen we look forward to more light in our lives both physically and spiritually as we connect with the new season. This year Lent begins on 17th February which is Ash Wednesday. Unfortunately this year we will not be able to celebrate in the usual way but all of our Lenten preparations will be available via our webcam. Details of our popular '*Lenten talks*' series will be posted online in the coming days so keep an eye on our website or contact the parish office for details. ([office@dalkeyparish.ie](mailto:office@dalkeyparish.ie)).

2nd February is **Candlemas Day**. This ancient festival marks the midpoint of winter, halfway between the shortest day of the year and the spring equinox. Feb 2nd is also the day of the year when we bless all of the candles which will be used in the church in the coming year, to remind us of Jesus' message that he is with us always to help and comfort us - a guiding light in the darkness. This year we will hold the blessing virtually so please log in and have your candles to hand to join us.

Feb 3rd is the Feast of **St. Blaise** and the '**Blessing of the Throat**' will take place online after 10am Mass. St. Blaise was a 3rd century physician who became Bishop of Sebaste, Armenia, and his protection of those with throat troubles apparently comes from a legend that a boy who was brought to him with a fishbone stuck in his throat, was healed by Saint Blaise.

All daily Masses are available over our webcam which can be accessed through our website: [dalkeyparish.ie](http://dalkeyparish.ie) Our schedule includes daily morning Mass at 10am Monday to Saturday, Saturday 6pm Vigil mass and Sunday 12 noon. We continue with **evening prayer** each Wednesday at 7pm and please join us for the **Rosary** daily from Monday to Friday after 10am mass (except funerals). The Church is open for **private prayer** every day from 11am until 5pm. Please sanitise your hands and sanitise your space when you are finished.

*"For I know the plans I have for you" declares the Lord, "Plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."* Jeremiah 29:11

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## A REFLECTION

Anois teacht an earraigh beidh an la ag dul chun sineadh.  
Snowdrops, crocus, daffodils, narcissus, early tulips, blossoms on trees.  
Hope grows like spring, the never ending cycle of the seasons continues.  
Even through the difficult, challenging and sad times we have seen some great traits of human nature.  
Neighbours and friends ringing one another to say hello.  
Volunteers shopping for the elderly.  
Schoolchildren making cards for residents in nursing homes.  
The postal service working around the clock to cope with parcel post at home and abroad.  
Clubs and organisations doing 'odd jobs' for many.  
Shop assistants smiling.  
Deliveries continuing.  
Carers doing better than their usual best.  
All medical staff working around the clock.  
Countless essential services persist.  
All despite the risks to themselves and their families.  
There is endless worry, stress and tiredness.  
Through all of this prayers are offered and candles lit.  
We see that the very best is brought out in people.  
Human nature prevails.  
Vaccinations are rolling out way before it was thought scientifically possible.  
We can hope to plan; to see relations; to travel; to have all services restored; to attend work, school, college, sports.  
So let's be positive.....There's a great stretch in the evenings.

Amen

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