

**ROUNDERS CLUB**  
**BEING SET UP IN NA FIANNA –**  
 New Members Welcome  
 (Adults and Children)  
 Rounders is as old as the GAA itself  
 Everyone can play – no upper age  
 limit!, (Teams: Adult Mixed; Male,  
 Female & Childrens Teams)  
 Get the whole family involved  
 Season typically runs from  
 April – July each year  
 Only 23 clubs in Ireland – vital to  
 keep this great GAA game alive  
 To join up or for more info. contact  
 Ronan Gately on: 086-8289296  
 rounders@clgnafianna.ie

The Glasnevin Grouping of Parishes official Launch  
 was celebrated at 3.00pm Mass in  
 Our Lady of Victories Ballymun Road last Sunday  
 It was a wonderful occasion enjoyed by all who  
 attended. V. Rev. Fr. Richard Sheehy Moderator  
 of the grouping gave the homily,  
 which is now available on the parish web site:  
**www.ionaroadparish.ie**

Beaumont Hospital's annual interdenominational  
 remembrance services will be held on Saturday  
 November 7th and Sunday November 8th at 2.30  
 p.m. in the hospital chapel. We will remember all  
 those who have died in the hospital, or after  
 leaving, during the last year.

Ann and Karen Sheehy would like to thank everyone that gave their time and support to  
 the ARC Cancer Centre Coffee Morning on Thursday 8th October. ARC were absolutely  
 delighted with the fantastic donation of €950 raised from the morning. A great time was  
 had by all and it was much appreciated.

**Margaret Aylward Community  
 College**

The Thatch Road, Whitehall, D 9.  
 Phone 01 8375712  
 Open Evening  
 with a Halloween theme

Thursday 22nd October 6.00-8.00pm  
 All Girls Post-Primary school Come  
 and meet our teachers and look  
 around our school All welcome  
 Children must be accompanied by an  
 adult



2016 Calendars & diaries available in the book  
 centre this weekend. Call in and see our large  
 selection of cards & gifts for all occasions. The  
 Irish Catholic newspaper on sale every weekend.  
 The shop is open before & after mass every  
 Friday, Saturday & Sundays.



Please visit St. Columba's Parish website at [www.ionaroadparish.ie](http://www.ionaroadparish.ie) and email  
 your comments, good news stories and special parish  
 events to [info@ionaroadparish.ie](mailto:info@ionaroadparish.ie)

Items for the **Parish Link** can be e-mailed to  
**parishlink@gmail.com** or dropped into the Parish  
 Office letter-box, marked 'Parish Link', by 5pm on the Thursday of week of  
 publication. A contact name and phone number is required for each item.  
 Phone contact is **Parish Office 01 8308257 or 087 6728761**



Parish Office Opening Times and contact: Monday to Friday 09.30a.m. - 12.30p.m.  
 Ph. 8308257 or email: [saintcolumba@eircom.net](mailto:saintcolumba@eircom.net)

**PARISH LINK**



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Anyone who  
 wants to  
 become great  
 among you  
 must be your  
 servant, and  
 anyone who  
 wants to be  
 first among you  
 must be slave  
 to all. For the  
 Son of Man  
 himself did not  
 come to be  
 served but to  
 serve, and to  
 give his life  
 as a ransom  
 for many.

**Mission Statement**

St. Columba's parish is a vibrant and welcoming community of faith, continuing to give practical  
 witness to the Good News of Christ, through worship and reflection, and through Christian  
 service to the community.



There was a terrific bash for Sr. Bridget on Friday morning, here in the church, beginning with Mass, followed by tea/coffee and lots of lovely home-made cakes etc. There were loads of wonderful words spoken about Bridget, and rightly so, but to say that Bridget has retired is probably overstating things a tad; she will continue to be around with us here in Iona Road.

We hope she enjoys her new way of life here and takes it easy.

**Thanks to everyone who made the occasion so special.**

A collection is being held in order to enable parishioners to express their appreciation to Sister Bridget for her enormous contribution to the life of the parish over many years. Members of the Parish Pastoral Council will be available after each Mass on next weekend, 24th and 25th Oct. to accept donations to the collection. Donations may also be left into the Parish Office on any week day between 9.30 and 12.30.

### 90th year of St. Columba's School...

Congratulations to all connected to St. Columba's school this weekend on their wonderful celebrations of 90 years

#### Celebrations in Clareville

Congratulations also to our oldest parishioner John Mitchell who celebrated his 102nd birthday on Thursday. Clareville was en fete for the party and "The Invincibles" provided the music.

John's relations had come from Co. Roscommon and Birmingham and were delighted with Clareville and the kindness shown to John.

We wish him many more years of good health in Clareville.

Four nights on  
**Pope Francis's Encyclical  
*Laudato Si'***  
in the Margaret Aylward  
Centre:  
12 Nov. - Alan Hilliard  
19 Nov.- Donal Dorr  
26 Nov.- Trocaire  
3 Dec. - St Vincent de Paul



#### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

For Meals on Wheels Maximum of  
2 hours once a Fortnight.  
We need drivers and helpers.  
Phone Paul at 086 2603226



### Parish Mass Times and Mass Intentions

Mass intentions for week commencing **Saturday 17th. October**

Sa. 17th 6.00pm St. Columba's 90th Anniversary Mass  
(No other intentions)  
Su. 18th 11.00am Esther Crosby (A)  
Mo. 19th 9.30am For those who died in the Carrickmines Fire

Sunday morning Mass @ 9.45am in Glasnevin Cemetery (Finglas Rd)

#### Mass Times in the Monastery of St. Alphonsus, Iona Road:

Monday to Friday @ 5.45 p.m. Saturday morning @ 9.30 a.m. and  
Sunday morning @ 9.30 a.m.

**For all baptisms please contact the Parish Office @ 01 830 8257**



**FAMILY OFFERING** The Family Offering is the Parish Collection and is the principal source of parish funds.

**Received in envelope contributions for week ending 11th October : €878.83**

Parishioners may also contribute by Standing Orders through a bank, doing so on an annual, quarterly or monthly basis. The average weekly contributions through standing orders and which can be added to what is received in envelope contributions are **€535.00.** Many thanks.

### Iona Active Retirement

#### Monday 26th October:

Bank holiday: Fish and chips in Howth.  
Meet at Howth bus stop in Abbey Street at 11 a.m.

#### Thursday 10th December:

12.30 p.m. Christmas lunch in the Maples.  
€22 to Maureen Phelan or Angela McCann



### Writers Group

Iona Writers invite Parishioners to the launch of our Book of Writings on Friday, October 23rd, 2015 at 10:15am in the Annex. Cost of the Book is €10. We also invite budding or established writers to join our group who meet each Friday at 10:15 am. Writing is great fun.

### Iona Bible Group

Iona Bible Reading Group continue to meet on Tuesdays at 10:15am in the Annex. The response to date is too low for a Parish as widespread as St. Columba's. Think about coming for one half hour, please.