

MASS TIMES in St. Columba's Church		
Saturday (Vigil)	6.00pm:	St. Columba's Church
Sunday Morning	11.00am:	St. Columba's Church
Midweek	9.30am	Mon, Wed, Thur Fri St. Columba's Church
Also Sunday morning Mass @ 9.45am in Glasnevin Cemetery Chapel		
Mass Times in the Monastery of St. Alphonsus		
Monday to Friday @ 5.45 pm. Saturday and Sunday morning @ 9.30 am.		

The following are the Mass Intentions for the coming week

Sat.	30th	6.00pm	Bernie Wynne (1st A) Kevin O'Neill (A) Deborah O'Neill (A) Tom Ayton (A) Mary & Joe Cloherty and the dec members of the Cloherty family (A) Edel Earle (A)
Sun.	1st.	11.00am	Caoimhín Breathnach (Month's Mind)
Mon.	2nd	9.30am	Frank & Mary Ann McCluskey (A)
Fri.	6th	9.30am	First Friday
Sat.	7th	6.00pm	Josephine Keenan (A) Tom, Mary & Jim Keenedy (A) Heffernan & Rikerby Families (A)
Sun.	8th	11.00am	1st Sunday of Advent
Mon.	9th		Immaculate Conception: The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception is normally a holyday of obligation. However, if 8 December is the Second Sunday of Advent, the Solemnity is <i>transferred</i> to Monday 9 December, but is then no longer a Holyday of Obligation.

Thank you for your contribution to the parish **FAMILY OFFERING** collection, amounting to **€444.00 last weekend**. This is received in weekly envelopes. An average weekly total of **€544.00** is also contributed by Standing Orders.



Watch and Pray

There will be a Holy Hour on First Friday 6th December after the 9.30am Mass from 10.00am to 11.00am **All are welcome.**

LIVE STREAMING OF MASS

If you have internet access, you will find the live stream through our parish website: www.ionaroadparish.ie **The live streaming service is reserved for Masses and other ceremonies**



Please visit St. Columba's Parish website at www.ionaroadparish.ie and email your comments, good news stories and special parish events to 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.
Contact: Parish Office @ 01 830 8257 or email saintcolumba@eircom.net
Parish Office Opening Times: Monday to Friday 9.30am. - 12.30pm.

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First Sunday of Advent

'So stay awake, because you do not know the day when your master is coming'.

PLEASE SUPPORT SVP'S ANNUAL APPEAL.

The Society Of St Vincent De Paul Annual Christmas collection "*Christmas is not the same for everyone*" will replace the SHARE collection at all Masses over the weekend of **8th/9th December**, it is of 'critical importance' as the organisation is experiencing a huge increase in calls for assistance. Today there are people in your community in crisis... No food in the cupboard. No heating in their home. No end in sight. At St. Vincent de Paul, we are asked for help with these things every day. **Christmas is not the same for everyone** Even in an improving economy, it can still take just one small problem to tip someone into crisis and poverty. But we know that a little help at the right time can change everything. This Christmas, over 140,000 people in communities across the country will ask SVP for help with food, fuel and basic clothing.

But we cannot say yes without you.

Please support the SVP Annual Appeal today. Your help can last a lifetime.

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.

Young People Group Meeting

in Our Lady of Victories, Ballymun Road. (Entrance from the back of the Church).
Series of Meetings continue on 10th December from 7.00-8.30pm
18-35 # faith # sharing # chat # friends # life # big questions

Parish Shop Call in today to see our beautiful selection of Christmas cards. Cards for overseas now in stock. 2020 calendars & diary's also available. Open before & after Mass every Friday, Saturday & Sunday.



Trócaire In the coming weeks a Trócaire team - in blue t-shirts and jackets - may call to your home inviting monthly donations. These funds allow Trócaire to respond to the needs of people in crisis around the world. We are called as Christians to share what we can to help our brothers and sisters in need. So, if you can, we could invite you to please support this worthy cause with a monthly donation of whatever you can afford. Every single euro counts and your help is greatly appreciated.

The Irish Cancer Society is looking for volunteers to assist in supporting and providing information to patients and families in their Dublin Daffodil Centre's. Please contact Deirdre Murphy on 01 231 0564 or dmurphy@irishcancer.ie for more information

St Francis Hospice Dublin

Home Visit Volunteers required.

We are looking for volunteers to join our team. The role would be to visit patients in their own homes, to sit and have a chat or bring them out into the community. The time commitment is 2 hours once a week. If you are interested please contact Brenda / Joyce on 01 8327535 01 8294000 or email volunteers@sfh.ie Thank you

The Glasnevin Musical Society
Festive & Favourite Melodies at Christmas
With Virginia Kerr. -
Hilda Chan Chorus director
Thursday 12 Dec at 8.00pm
Corpus Christi Church Drumcondra
Tickets €10 available from
Corpus Christi Parish Office
Tel (01) 836 0085

O Come Emmanuel: An evening of reflection and music led by Marie Dunne, CHF to celebrate the joy of the great season of Advent will take place on Wednesday 11 December from 7.30-9.00pm in Margaret Aylward Centre for Faith and Dialogue, Holy Faith Sisters, Old Finglas Road, Afterwards there will be Tea/Coffee with Mince Pies. For more information Tel: 01 7979364 or email: info@macfd.ie

Christmas Carols
Third Day Chorale
in the
Monastery of St Alphonsus
on Friday 6th December at
7.30pm



Neighbourhood
Watch Meeting
Tuesday 3rd
December
Maples Hotel @
8.00pm

IONA ACTIVE RETIREMENT



Monday 2.30 to 4.30 Bridge for all grades
Tuesday 2.15 to 3.30 Exercise for which we are hoping to get funding.
Wednesday morning Knit & Knatter - still great interest, enjoyed by all
Wednesday afternoon cards /Bingo and a cuppa
Still time to book with Marjorie for **Christmas Lunch** €25 in Maples at 12.30 for 1.00pm Looking forward to seeing all
Trip to Longford for a day Friday 6th train from Drumcondra at 11.06 / back @ 18.14 Hope for dry day! Details about computer classes in January Trip to Galway in March - Check notice board in Annex.

Gardiner Street Parish Advent: Find the Joy of Jesus in peace and quietness as we prepare for Christmas in Gardiner Street every Tuesday evening at 7:30pm, Each of the Sundays of Advent offers a theme to explore in preparation for Christmas:
Tuesday 3rd December: Turning to God
Tuesday 10th December: Who is the one we are awaiting?
Tuesday 17th December: Christ among us.
Afterwards there will be refreshments in the coffee room.



Dear Parishioners of St. Columba
You are invited to the following event
HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL - ST MARYS HOLY FAITH GLASNEVIN
Tuesday, 3 December 2019 at 20:00
St.Mary's Holy Faith Secondary School

Mindfully Waiting for Christmas

Christmas is often associated as a pinnacle of joy and merriment. However, the time of waiting or the dark nights of December that lead us into the light of celebration are a wonderful opportunity to drop into stillness and prepare mindfully, peacefully and lovingly for the wonder of the season. Join us at the Sanctuary on Saturday 7th December for a mindful moment of practice amidst the hustle and bustle of this time of year. This half-day event begins at 10am and lasts until 1pm. The Sanctuary, Stanhope Street,

REQUESTING HELP
we are hoping to start distribution of the Christmas timetable etc. next weekend Can we remind all those who have been so generous in giving their time to distribute in the past to be available again this Advent.
Many Thanks



St. Columba's Christmas CAROL SERVICE
Preparing for Christmas
Sunday, 15 December
5.00 p.m. - 6.00 p.m.