

MASS TIMES in St. Columba's Church

Saturday (Vigil) 6.00pm: St. Columba's Church
Sunday Morning 11.00am: St. Columba's Church
Daily Mass 9.30am Monday to Friday St. Columba's Church
Mon, 24 December Mass 9.30 a.m.

Christmas Mass Timetable

Christmas Eve Mass for Christmas 6.00 p.m. and 9.00 p.m.

Tue, 25 December Christmas Day Mass 11.00 a.m.

Mass 9.30 a.m. (St Alphonsus Monastery) Mass 9.45 a.m. (Cemetery Chapel)

Wed, 26 / Thur 27 / Fri 28 / Mass 11.00 a.m. (St Alphonsus Monastery)

Sat, 29 December Mass 9.30 a.m. (St Alphonsus Monastery)

Sat, 29 December Mass 6.00p.m.

Sun, 30 December Mass 11.00 a.m.

Mass 9.30 a.m. (St Alphonsus Monastery) Mass 9.45 a.m. (Cemetery Chapel)

Mon, 31 December Mass 11.00 a.m. (St Alphonsus Monastery)

Tue, 1 January 2019 (New Year's Day) Feast of Mary, Mother of God

Mass 11.00 a.m. (St Alphonsus Monastery)

Confessions in St. Columba's Church: Sat, 22 December 12.00 - 1.00 p.m.
Mon 24 December 12.00 - 1.00p.m.

The following are the Mass Intentions for the coming week

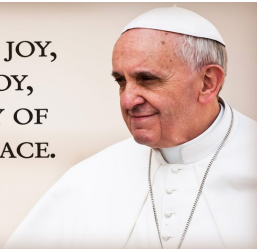
Sat.	22nd	6.00pm	Dermot Ryan (A) Alice Lacey (A)
Mon	24th	9.30am	Charlie Heffernan (A)
Sat.	29th	6.00pm	Bernadette Wynne (Months' Mind)
			Mary O'Reilly (A) Annie McEvitt (A)
Sun.	30th	11.00am	Teresa Morrissey (1st A)
Sat.	5th	6.00pm	Thomas Doyle (A)
			Stan O'Flaherty 1st A Mass Mon 7th Jan
			@ 5.45pm in The Monastery of St. Alphonsus

Thank you for your contribution to the parish **FAMILY OFFERING** collection, amounting to **€1517.00 last weekend**. This is received in weekly envelopes.

An average weekly total of **€544.00** is also contributed by Standing Orders.

CHRISTMAS IS JOY,
RELIGIOUS JOY,
AN INNER JOY OF
LIGHT AND PEACE.

Pope Francis



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.

Parish Link contact: Ann 087 6728761 or Parish Office.

Parish Office Opening Times: Monday to Friday 9.30am. - 12.30pm.
Ph: 8308257 or email saintcolumba@eircom.net

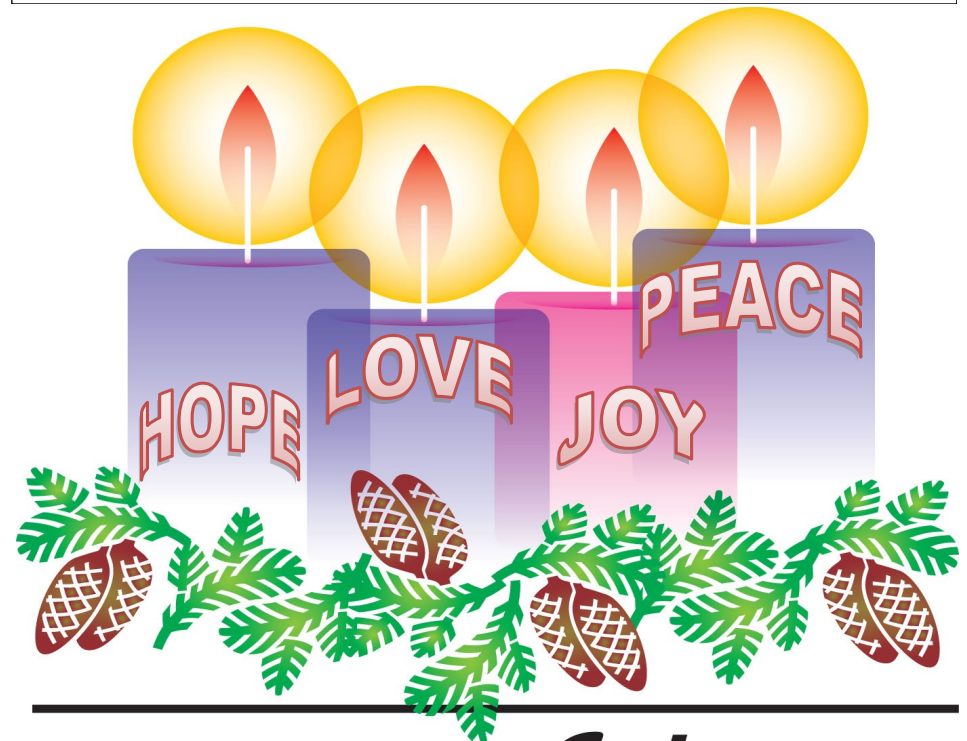
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FOURTH SUNDAY OF *Advent*

'Of all women you are the most blessed, and blessed is the fruit of your womb.'

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.



Christmas In Song and Word

Many Thanks to all who took part in a wonderful evening.

**Donations of €1000 received go to
The Peter McVerry Trust and Brother Kevin**

BOOK SHOP

*Christmas shop now open
Christmas Cards, Calendars
& Diary's available*

*We also have a lovely
selection of Candles & Gifts
for Christmas*

*Open before & after Mass on
Friday, Saturday & Sunday.*

**POP-UP shop will be open
on Saturday beside main
door**



Save the Date:

World Day of the Sick 2019 will take place on 9 February 2019 in All Hallows, Drumcondra (9:30am to 1.00pm) on the topic Community struggle with addiction -

**A Pastoral response Mass for
World Day of the Sick will be
held on 10 February 2019 in
Corpus Christi 3.00pm.
More details closer to the time
please save the dates!**



Whitehall College of Further Education
Open Day on Thursday January 24th 2019,
2.00pm-6.00pm. Colaiste Caomhin, Mobhi Road,
Glasnevin. Tel: 018376011.

Monastery of St. Alphonsus Timetable for Christmas

Mon 24th December Mass at 9.30am - Christmas Eve - Mass at 8pm

Christmas Day: Morning Mass 9.30am. Wed/Thur/Fri Morning Mass 11.00am

Sat/Sun Morning Mass 9.30am. Mon 31/1st Morning Mass 11.00 am

The Church will be closed in the afternoon on the above dates.

Wed. 2nd we resume to normal schedule. Eucharistic Adoration and Evening Prayer 4.45pm. Mass - Mon-Fri 5.45pm Sat/Sun 9.30am

**The Redemptoristine Community thank you for your support and pray
God's blessings on you this Christmastide and throughout 2019.**



What's the social value of Na Fianna GAA Club

Do you want to have your say and be in with a chance to win a €100 One4all voucher?

The Dublin GAA County Board and CLG Na Fianna have joined forces and asked Whitebarn Consulting to undertake an independent evaluation of the club's social value. We want to hear everyone's views (good, bad or indifferent) in the Glasnevin community and surrounding areas.

Please complete a 10-minute survey by 5 January 2019, using the website address.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/nafianna>



LIVE STREAMING OF MASS

Some months ago we installed a camera at the back of the church to allow us to share our Masses with those confined to their homes and to those who now live away from our parish. We hope that all the difficulties about strength of signals, wire and wireless connections, on/off switches and so on, have been solved and we are now live streaming our Masses and other services.

The camera is located at the back of the church facing the sanctuary and altar. It does not move or face the people in the congregation.

If you have internet access, you will find the live stream through our parish **website: www.ionaroadparish.ie**



Wednesday 12th December was a bitterly cold night with a steady drizzle of rain. However in spite of the miserable weather, the children of St. Columba's School, accompanied by some teachers and parents, went from road to road in the parish, carol singing in aid of the poor and underprivileged. They raised the wonderful sum of €1,270.00 which they have divided between the Simon Community and the local Conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul.

Well done girls; the Parish is proud of you.



ACTIVE RETIREMENT

The Iona Active Retirement is open to all those who have celebrated their 55th birthday. Since its inception the number of members has been in the 50-60 range – at present there are 56 on roll. The members meet in the Annex on the second Thursday of the month and enjoy a cup of tea and a chat. We have had four mini holidays during the past year – Westport, Rosslare, Knock and Salthill – all were very enjoyable. The

next mini holiday will be in February to Westport. Numerous outings have also taken place to places as diverse as Maynooth, Russborough, Kilkenny and Ardgillan. There is also a keep fit class, a card playing group and a Knit and Knatter group who knit for the Chernobyl children. Christmas lunch was held in the Maples on 3rd December. The annual subscription is €10 per annum.

New members are always very welcome.



As a continuation of our World Meeting of Families journey all the children who have been baptised in our church over the past year have been invited to join us at Mass on Sunday 13th of January 2019, at 11.00am.

Afterwards, Café Columba will be open so please join us for a cuppa and home-baking with your friends and neighbours. Feel free to bring some of your own 'New Year' baking' to share with each other.

**The Mass at 6 o'clock on
Christmas Eve is a Mass for
children and families. Our
young people are invited to take
part, maybe dressed as angels
and shepherds, taking part in
procession to the crib, being
part of a choir group.**

**Come a
little early
for a
practice at
5.30/5.40.**

