An older adults walking group will begin on Wednesday 21st May departing from the Millmount Health Centre to Griffith Park. The walking group is open to all levels of ability and everyone taking part is encouraged to take the walk at their own pace.

All participants will receive a free high visibility jacket and will receive guidance on how to incorporate walking more into their daily routines. Come and join us at the Millmount Health Centre at 11:30 am.

This walking group is facilitated by the Millmount Community Physiotherapists Catherine Devaney and Avril McTague, and Dublin City Council Sport and Recreation Officer LJ Higgins.

For more information, please call 01 8865308, 01 8467186 or 087 9176720.

DCU ILP are offering the following for FREE: One Day Computer Training Course for over 55's Dates: May 26th, 27th,29th June 4th 5th All Levels welcome Call Carmel on 01 7007423 to book a place Places are limited so early registration is advised.



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Daniella Rourke is holding a Cake sale at the end of the church this weekend in aid of the Plan Ireland's Campaign "Because I'm a Girl"

Conference: Explore the lives, papacies and legacies of the Church's most recent saints i.e. John XXIII and John Paul II on a one day course in All Hallows College on Saturday, 24th May. Cost is €24 this will include a light lunch. For enquiries/ bookings contact 01 8520718

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.

parishlink@gmail.com

Items for the Parish Link should be marked 'Parish Link' and dropped into the Parish Office letter-box, or emailed to above address, Items should be posted by 5.00pm on the Thursday of the week of publication. A Contact name and telephone number is required for each item. Parish Link Contacts: Trish 8302851/Ann 8309983

Parish Office Opening Times and contact:

Monday to Friday 09.30a.m. - 12.30pm Ph. 8308257 or email:saintcolumba@eircom.net



MESSAGE FROM ARCHBISHOP MARTIN

The Report of the Audit of Child Safeguarding in the Archdiocese of Dublin carried out by the National Board for Safeguarding Children in the Catholic Church in Ireland was released during this week.

The Report warmly commended the diocese and our parishes for the "rational, comprehensive and integrated child safeguarding system it has developed". Special mention was made to the training programmes for parishes.

I would like to take this occasion to express my sincere thanks to all those in our parishes and communities – priests and lay people alike who have dedicated their time and energies over these years to making the Catholic Church in the Archdiocese of Dublin the safe place for children that it has become.

I ask your prayers for victims and survivors and I ask God's continued blessing on our work in the area of the protection of children.

Let us rejoice A celebration of the Easter season in song, word and prayer. In the Monastery of St. Alphonsus On Monday 19th May at 8pm. Liturgical music will be led by the Dublin Diocesan Music group. Directed by Fr. Pat O Donoghue



The sun shines on the just

On Saturday 10th May, Michael Chawke brought his mini coach and 14 pilgrims to Lough Derg. In spite of torrential rain on the journey down and back, the sun shone in Lough Derg. Michael was publically thanked by the new Prior for his faithfulness in arranging the pilgrimages for more than twenty years.

Michael hopes to visit Lough Derg again towards the end of August.

Months Mind Mass	Iona Active Retirement
for Attracta Flaherty	Monday 9th June
RIP will take place on	Mystery tour leaves church at 10.30 a.m.
Sunday 18th May at	Due back 6.00 p.m.
9.30am in St	€20 (includes coach, lunch, afternoon tea)
Alphonsus	to Maureen Phelan or Angela McCann
Monastery.	before 30th May.



BOOK CENTRE

Call in to the Book Centre today. We stock cards for every occasion, also gifts for 1st Holy Communion, Confirmation etc. Irish Catholic newspaper is also available. Open before & after mass Friday, Saturday & Sunday.

The Annual Collection for Crosscare Youth Services -Social Support Agency of the Catholic Archdiocese of Dublin Will be at **all masses next weekend (24th & 25th May)** It will replace the normal **SHARE** Collection Crosscare provide a wide range of focused supports and programmes aimed at empowering people to achieve their own potential.. Our work is person centred, rights based and supports peer led initiatives that give people the power to make changes in their own lives

Sr Mary Dornan Franciscan Missionaries of Mary would like to thank all the Parishioners who gave so generously to their recent Mission Appeal. Amount Raised was €1645.56 Parish Mass Times and Mass Intentions for this Week

Sat. 17th 6.00pm	Tom McCarthy Month's Mind, Mary Desch A, Sally Doran A, Dermot Kelly A,
	Betty Bowers A.
Sun 18th 11.00am	Ann Byrne A
Mon 19th 9.30am	—
Tue 20th 9.30am	—
Wed 21st 9.30am	—
Thur 22nd 9.30am	—
Fri 23rd 9.30am	—

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 at 9.30am. Baptisms. For all baptisms please contact Sr. Bridget through the Parish Office @ 830 8257 or call into the Sacristy.

Parish Contributions for the week commencing May 11th $2014 = \bigcirc 907.06$ Many Thanks

Meet Fr. Jim - I am now back in Dublin and am so grateful for your prayers, letters, cards and emails - especially on St. Patrick's Day & Easter. It would be impossible for me to acknowledge each of them personally, so I have arranged with Sr. Gabrielle that I will give a short talk (30 mins) on my experiences in Mepkin on Wednesday 28th May at 8.15 in St. Alphonsus Monastery. I'd love to see you there.

Fr. Jim

Sincere thanks to all who so generously supported Gerry & Mary Bolger's Coffee Morning. It was a great success and the funds have been forwarded to Aidlink.