## ALL HALLOWS COLLEGE **DEVELOPING PARISH SEMINAR** Saturday 10th May **Theme - Young Adult Faith** Formation

You are invited to join us on Sat., May 10th to participate in our one day Developing Parish seminar where we will explore the issues that face us today. Delivery will consist of talks by guest speakers Gerard Gallagher and Ger Brennan. There will also be a series of workshops. All Hallows College

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**DCU Intergenerational Learning Programme** is offering the over 55's FREE computer sessions for beginners. Our **FREE** 4 week courses, (two hours per week) are conducted in a friendly relaxed atmosphere and operate on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 10am to 12noon and 2pm to 4pm.

call Carmel on 01 7007423 or

# **Seminary Open Day:**

Thinking of becoming a priest? If you are interested? Inquisitive? Why not attend the Seminary Open Day on the 3<sup>rd</sup> May at 10.00am in St. Patrick's College, Maynooth, Kildare. There you can have informal talks, tours, testimonials and chat. No booking is necessary www.mavnooth.ie/seminary

In memory At the end of last month, the Dublin Diocese



communications office circulated a notice from the family of Patrick Douglas, seeking help in trying to find Mr. Douglas, who had been missing for many months from his home in Coolock. Sadly, Patrick was found

dead in Howth last week. His daughter Marie has contacted us to express her appreciation to those parishes who helped For more information or to register in giving out information about her father. Will you please remember the Douglas email <u>ilp.info@dcu.ie</u> family in your prayers at this time.

### **DUBLIN DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK SUNDAY MAY 18TH 2014** Further info. from the Pilgrimage Office, The Red House, Clonliffe Rd. 01 8376820



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:** Wednesday, Thursday and Friday mornings 9.30am. - 12.30pm. Ph: 8308257 or email saintcolumba@eircom.net

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"Peace be with you...

Give me your hand...

"Doubt no longer but believe"

Thomas replied, "My lord and my God!" .Tesus said to him: "You believe because you can see me. Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe."

## 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.

# A Note from Fr Paddy

I am glad to report this week that Sheila Hallahan has been appointed Parish Secretary. The appointment was made with the assistance of the Diocesan Human Resources office. In wishing Sheila well, we are also grateful to her for her work on a voluntary basis in the Parish Office for the past several months.

Please return your **Trócaire Boxes** as soon as possible after Easter. They can be handed into the Sacristy or The Parish Office

PARISH BOOK CENTRE

Special bumper edition of the Irish Catholic available in book centre this weekend

Childminder wanted for 1 year old girl for 3-4 days per week. Contact Fran at 086 8816723

Experienced 19 year old babysitter available. Full drivers licence. References available. Contact Caroline at : 0876480479 Also Flute and theory teacher available. Keen rates. Contact Caroline on : 0876480479

Monastery of St. Alphonsus

At 12 noon on Good Friday, Fr. Pat O'Donoghue brought along some of the students in Mater Dei who took part in The Way of the Cross. The reflections, psalms. hymns and music were beautifully chosen and the students - all dressed in black - mimed the way of the cross from Pilate washing his hands to the entombment.

The bongo drum added to the mournful atmosphere.

#### **Iona Active Retirement** Tuesday 6th May: Mystery tour.



Coach leaves church at 10.30 a.m. and returns at 6 p.m.

€20 (members) or €30 (non- members) to Angela McCann or Maureen Phelan.

'Almost 40 years ago, at another time of great change in the Church, the Diocesan Development Fund **Share** was launched to address the needs of that time. Share enabled Churches to be built in newly developing areas and these Churches became true focal points of community and have remained so until our times.

Today we are called to share resources not just with new parishes or parishes with financial difficulties. The Diocesan Offices provide services to support parishes in such areas as child-safeguarding, human resources, education and schools and financial administration, as well as training priests and lay men and women to become agents of evangelisation in today's society.

The Diocesan Development Fund provides the financial support for all these services, thus enabling parishes to reach out to the coming generations, leading them to know Jesus Christ and what Jesus Christ can mean to them in their lives.'

From the letter of :

Archbishop Diarmuid Martin for the Share Aware Weekend 3 / 4 May 2014 The Share collection is taken every week. Our parish contributed €21,479 for the year ended June 2013. Fr. Paddy

#### **Parish Mass Times and Intentions**

Sat. 26th April 6.00pm John Grant (A) Chris & Thomas Leen (A), Elizabeth Boland (A), Frank Donnelly (A), Edward Lacey (A) Sun. 27th April 11.00am Joan & Charles Henry (A) Mon. 28th April 9.30am Mary McCarthy (A) Tue. 29th April. 9.30am Wed. 30th April. 9.30am Thurs. 1st May. 9.30am Kathleen Malone (A) Fri 2nd May 9.30am Altar list of the dead and Paddy O'Donoghue (Birthday) 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 week commencing 20th April, was €.1,208.50 Thank You.

There will be exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after the 9.30am mass from 10.00am to 11.00am on First Friday May 2nd. All are welcome

St. Vincent de Paul, Sunshine House would like to thank the parishioners for their generous contribution to the Advocate collection. In total, €1,729 was raised to support the holiday programme in Balbriggan for boys and girls nominated by the network of SVP conferences throughout the Dublin area.
Thank you for your generous support.

**Volunteers:** Our Lady's Hospice and Care Services is recruiting bereavement volunteers to provide support to people who have been bereaved through our service. No previous experience is required as full training will be given. If you think you would like to be part of this service and are over 23 years of age, please contact: Ann D'Arcy on 01-4068794 for more information and to request an application form. Closing date for receipt of applications is Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June

**Today** the Second Sunday of Easter (27 April) the canonisation of **Pope John XXIII and Pope John Paul II** will take place in Rome.

IONA LADIES CLUB Ladies we meet again on : Thursday may 1st at 8pm in the annex