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 Tues	day to Friday St. Columba's Church		
Also Sunday morning Mass @ 9.45am in Glasnevin Cemetery Chapel				
Mass Times in the Monastery of St. Alphonsus				
Monday to Frie	lay @ 5.45 pm	n. Saturday morning @ 9.30 am.		
Sunday morning 9.30am.				

The following are the Mass Intentions for the coming week

Sun.	1st.	9.00pm 11.00am 11.00am	Easter of the Lord's Resurrection Mass with Celebration of Baptism Bank Holiday
Tue	3rd	9.30am	Mass in the Monastery of St Alphonsus Joseph McBride (A)
Sat. Sun.	7th 8th	6.00pm 11.00am	Alice Sherry (A) James Mulligan (A) Lorcan Fullam (1st A)

Thank you for your contribution to the **FAMILY OFFERING** the parish collection, amounting to **€962 last weekend**. This is received in weekly envelopes. An average weekly total of **€544.00** is also contributed by S/Orders.

Easter Sunday

As we celebrate the resurrection of our Lord Jesus, we pray that all families will renew their commitment to follow the Risen Lord and joyfully live their baptism

Choose Life 2018 is a Newsletter from the Catholic Communications Office. Its purpose is to encourage discussion and reflection on the value of every human life. It is available on a weekly basis on <u>www.choselife2018</u>.ie, the Dublin diocesan website and the Bishop's Conference website, on Facebook and Twitter. Copies are also available at the back of the church.



Please visit St. Columba's Parish website at <u>www.ionaroadparish.ie</u> and email your comments, good news stories and special parish events to <u>info@ionaroadparish.ie</u>

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



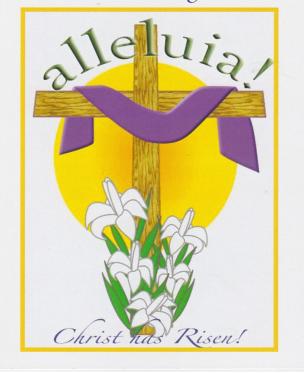


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Easter Blessings 2018



We are an Easter people and alleluia is our song. The Lord is truly risen, alleluia. To him be glory and power for all the ages of eternity, alleluia, alleluia. Easter greetings to each and everyone in the Parish . Fr Paddy

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.



GLASNEVIN GROUPING OF PARISHES PRESENTS

The Mad Hatter's Afternoon Tea Party

This is a fund-raiser for our Project Ethiopia whereby we have undertaken to host and fund 2 Ethiopian families to attend the WMOF 2018 in August.

So please join us as we celebrate with an afternoon of fun in



Our Lady of Dolours Parish Hall on Saturday, April 14th from 2pm to 5 pm.

Great prizes for the 'Maddest Hat' or Bestest Easter Bonnet!

Sparkling champagne, tea and light refreshments along wth live music. Tickets €15 - available at back of church after all weekend masses or you can contact Trish @ 086 6013824 or email glasnevingroupingwmof@gmail.com. Gather some friends and come, join us!

Easter Water Blessing

At the Easter Vigil each year holy water is blessed. It is a tradition in Ireland that families bring this Easter water home with them to bless themselves, their homes, vehicles and



also the graves of loved ones. Families are encouraged to pray together and bless their homes with the Easter water when they return from Mass on Holy Saturday night or Easter Sunday, or at some other time during the Easter season.

WHY TAKE THIS INITIATIVE?

This initiative seeks to recover a traditional religious practice that meant a lot to Irish families. The faithful have always been encouraged to take holv water home and to use it as part of their daily lives. They have also

been encouraged to regularly seek God's blessing on themselves, their families and on their homes, vehicles, religious objects and other items. House Blessing

May God bless this house from top to bottom, May He bless each lintel, each stone and beam of wood, May He bless the household and the table on which we place food May He bless each bed room in which we seek a peaceful sleep, May He bless the door we open generously to the stranger and the meek - as well as to our relatives and friends. May He bless the windows through which come the bright beams, of sunlight, moon and stars. May He bless the rafters above our head and each strong wall surrounding us, May peace love and affection dwell herein and flow towards our neighbours. May God bless this gathering and keep us from danger,

And May He guide us all together to his Heavenly sanctuary. Amen.

Neighbourhood Watch April Meeting Maples Hotel, Tues April 3rd @ 8pm All are welcome





Volunteering for WMOF2018. We continue to need volunteers who can give 2-4 days between 19th & 28th August. See www.wordlmeeting2018.ie/hospapilgrim for details. On 21 March 2018, speaking at his first General Audience in Rome after St Patrick's Day, **Pope Francis** announced that he will be travelling to

Ireland to take part in the concluding events of World Meeting of Families 2018, in Dublin. His visit will bring great joy to Irish Catholics and others, as

we prepare to welcome Pope Francis and thousands of families from all over the world to Ireland for this great event.

Parishioners are encouraged to register in order to guarantee their ticket for the Festival of Families and the Final Mass.

Watch and Dray There will be a Holy Hour on First Friday 6th April after the 9.30am Mass

Annual parish booklet IONA 2017 is available in the Bookshop. it is full of parish news written by parishioners for barishioners.

Do get your copy €2.00

ACCORD Dublin, the Catholic Marriage Care Service, is currently recruiting volunteers:

To give courses for couples preparing for marriage and

Marriage and Relationship counsellors.

from 10.00 to 11.00am

All are welcome.

If you would like to be part of a dynamic team, can relate easily to people in a sensitive and genuine way, would like fulfilling and meaningful work by making a real difference to couples and individuals, you might consider one of these positions. Training will be provided through Maynooth University. For further information please contact 01 4784400 before 16th April 2018.



*You Raise Me Up" Starring Red Hurley with special guests Whitehall Church Adult Choir, Friday, April 27th at 8.00 p.m. Join us for an entertaining evening of music in the Church of the Holy Child, Swords Road, Whitehall. Proceeds in aid of a new church organ. Tickets €20.

For tickets call (01) 837 5274 Mon to Fri 10.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m.

Active Retirement

We are taking break from activities this week

Are you interested or maybe you have already booked for Knock House Hotel. 3 nights b/b and dinner €240 No Single Supplement

Thursday 12th we will have monthly meeting when we will plan outings etc Hope to see all

