

IONA AREA COMMUNITY GAMES

ATHLETICS (Track & Field)

Wednesday 6th May **5.45pm (sharp)*** Santry Stadium

All ages from under 8 (must be over 6 by 31/07/15) to under16 (must be 15 or under at 31/07/15)

Events: U8 60m & 80m; U10 100m, 200m & 60m Hurdles; U12 100m, 600m, Ball Throw & Long-puck (boys); U14 100m, 800m, 80m hurdles, Long-jump & Long-puck (girls); U16 100m, 200m & 1,500m

Children must live within Iona Area boundaries, which are: Whitworth Road, Drumcondra Rd, Glasnevin Avenue (west from old Whitehall Garda station) and Old Finglas Rd back up Finglas Rd towards Propsect Rd (including Claremont, The Willows and Dalcassin Downs)

Please pre-register by 1st May (ideally earlier) by contacting Ronan Gately on 086-8289296 or ronangately@hotmail.com with name of child, date of birth, address and event(s) in which the child wishes to participate.

Kindly sponsored by Croke Park Community Fund



PARISH LINK

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VOCATION SUNDAY

"Do not be afraid of what God asks of you!

It is worth saying 'yes' to God"

Pope Francis

Catherine Rea, Iona Park wishes to thank all her friends and neighbours who supported her

Great Irish Bake for Temple Street

on Friday April 17th. Everyone was extremely generous both in their baking and monetary contributions. A staggering €1226.04 was raised and will go towards the building of a new Neurology and Renal Out Patients Unit

Bealtaine 2015 Art Workshops at Drumcondra Library

As part of Bealtaine 2015, the arts festival celebrating creativity in older age co-ordinated by Age & Opportunity, Drumcondra Library will host a series of art workshops devised and facilitated by professional artist Claire Halpin. Participants will be encouraged to explore the natural beauty of the River Tolka as it moves through Griffith Park, to gather sounds, images, and materials with which to work creatively in various media. This series of art workshops takes place over five sessions in Drumcondra Library: Wednesdays 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th May and 3rd June, from 11.00am-12.30pm. Admission free. Booking essential. No experience necessary.

Email: drumcondralibrary@dublincity.ie Tel 01 8377206
Information from Drumcondra Public Library or visit: www.dublincitypubliclibraries.ie

The **Margaret Aylward Centre for Faith and Dialogue** provide a place of prayer, tranquillity, conversation and dialogue for all. You can contact the centre at 01 7979364 / 087 6649862 or email mcfglasnevin@gmail.com.

Items for the Parish Link can be e-mailed to parishink@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. Phone contact is **Parish Office 01 8308257 or 087 6728761**

Parish Office Opening Times Monday - Friday 9.30 a.m. - 12.30 p.m.
Phone:01 8308257 or email: saintcolumba@eircom.net



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.

This week's copy of the meaning of Marriage Newsletter produced by the Catholic Communications Office of the Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference, is available at the back of the church. Please take a copy home with you. For more information see: www.catholicbishops.ie

Parish Book Centre

Call in today and see our large choice of cards & gifts for special occasions, including Confirmation & First Holy Communion. The Irish Catholic newspaper is available in the shop every week end. We are open before & after mass every Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

Meditation Group

The Meditation Group will meet on Wednesday 29th April
Venue: St. Alphonsus' Monastery
Time: 7.30 - 8.15pm
This group meets every two weeks for a period of short reflection/meditation.
New people are always welcome.

Iona Active Retirement

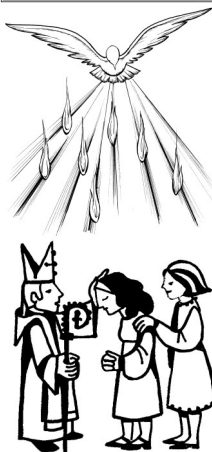
Tuesday 5th May -

Committee meeting at 10 a.m. in the room at the back of the Sacristy.

Thursday 7th May - Monthly meeting in Annex at 10.15 a.m.

Thursday 14th May - Mystery Tour. Tickets will be available in Annex after the 6 p.m. Mass on Saturday 25th April and after the 11 a.m. Mass on Sunday 26th April.

10th September - Lake Garda - Details from The Travel Department in the basement of Arnotts in Henry St. - Names to Maureen Phelan.



Pray for all our Children who are receiving their Confirmation in Iona Road this Wednesday.

May

Caffrey would like to

invite you to a Coffee Morning in aid of St. Declan's Secondary School ZAMBIA Project in 75 Lindsay Road on Monday 27th April 2015 10.00am All Welcome



We Shall Draw Water Joyfully. A celebration of the Easter Season in song, word and prayer will take place in the Monastery of Saint Alphonsus, on Monday 27th April at 8.00 pm. Liturgical Music will be led by the Dublin Diocesan Music Group. You can also watch online at www.rednuns.com

Parish Mass Times and Mass Intentions

APRIL

Sat. 25th 6.00pm Kathleen, Joseph & Dermot Scully (A)
Chris & Tom Leen (A) Elizabeth Boland (A) Frank Donnelly (A)
& pray for Padraig Harte recently deceased.

Sun. 26th 11.00am Marie & Dermot Brehony
Mon. 27th 9.30am Sean Grant (A)
Tue. 28th 9.30am Mary McCarthy (A)
Wed. 29th 9.30am - Confirmations at 11.00am and 2.00pm
Thur. 30th 9.30am -
Fri. 1st May 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 @ 9.30 a.m.

For all baptisms please contact the Parish Office @ 01 830 8257



There will be **Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament** on Friday the 1st of May after the 9.30am Mass, from 10.00am to 11.00am. All are Welcome

Parish Contributions for the week commencing April 19th 2015 amounted to €476.95. Many Thanks.

"From the call of Abraham to that of Moses, from Israel's pilgrim journey through the desert to the conversion preached by the prophets, up to the missionary journey of Jesus which culminates in his death and resurrection, vocation is always a work of God". - Pope Francis

This week's Share collection is replaced by the collection for Vocations

The Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes takes place 7-12 September. There are 175 places on the Special Section for the Sick. Persons who are sick in the parish, at home, in hospital or in a nursing home may apply for consideration to be included. Further information is available from the Parish Office and all applications must be considered and approved by the Pilgrimage Medical Board. The fare for sick pilgrimage is €460.



Dublin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock takes place on Sunday, 17 May, the feast of the Ascension. Programme: 2.30 Anointing of the Sick. 3.00 Concelebrated Mass, Eucharistic Blessing of the Sick and Benediction, followed by Rosary Procession. Further information: Pilgrimage Office, The Red House, Clonliffe Road. Phone: 8376820.