

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
Also Sunday morning Mass @ 9.45am in Glasnevin Cemetery Chapel		
Mass Times in the Monastery of St. Alphonsus		
Monday to Friday @ 5.45 pm.		Saturday morning @ 9.30 am.
Sunday morning 9.30am.		

**The following are the Mass Intentions for the coming week**

	Sat.	5th	6.00pm	Sr Bridget Devane (A) John Hadley(A)
	Sun.	6th	11.00am	Letty Cusack (First A)
	Mon.	7th	11.00am	Bank Holiday
	Thur.	10th	9.30am	Nell Prendergast & Richard Nolan (A)
	Fri.	9th	9.30am	Paddy Joyce (months mind)
	Sat.	12th	6.00pm	Kathleen McCabe (A)
				Desmond & Annie Clarke (A) Paddy Kearney (A)
				Donnie O'Conchuir (A)
	Sun.	13th	11.00am	The Ascension of the Lord

Thank you for your contribution to the parish **FAMILY OFFERING** collection, amounting to €872.00 **last weekend**. This is received in weekly envelopes. An average weekly total of **€544.00** is also contributed by S/Orders.

**Gardiner Street Church** invites you to engage with the questions raised by the forthcoming referendum on abortion. Tuesday 8th May, 8pm: What is the experience of women in Ireland facing challenging pregnancies? Speakers: Ann-Marie Lee, Health Nurse; D. Twomey, Obstetrician. Chair: Pat Coyle, Jesuit Communications. Tuesday 15th May, 8pm: What will be the likely legal consequences of a yes/no vote? Speaker: Prof. Gerard Whyte, Trinity College Dublin. Chair: Brian Lennon SJ.

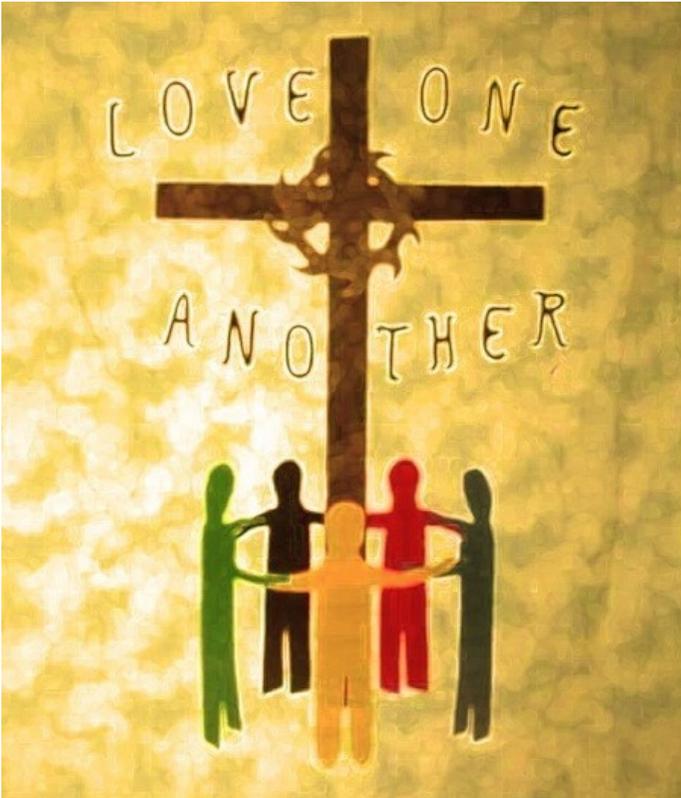
Discussion with Doctors for Life organisation in **St Mary's Parish Centre, Maynooth**, at 7.30pm on Tuesday 15th May. All welcome

**Congratulations to all the Boys and Girls who were Confirmed on Wednesday here in Iona Road**



Please visit St. Columba's Parish website at [www.ionaroadparish.ie](http://www.ionaroadparish.ie) and email your comments, good news stories and special parish events to [info@ionaroadparish.ie](mailto:info@ionaroadparish.ie)

Items for the Parish Link can be e-mailed to [parishlink@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto:saintcolumba@eircom.net)**



**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 [www.choselife2018.ie](http://www.choselife2018.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.

**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.*



The Iona Flower Society would like to thank all parishioners who contributed to their Annual Collection last weekend. The amount raised was €945. Your continued generous support in helping to maintain a supply of fresh flowers in St. Columba's throughout the year is greatly appreciated.

**The Iona Flower Society**

**Ecumenical Bible Week** will take place from 20th-27th May 2018. Now in its fifth year, it is a parish-based event that is jointly sponsored by the Archdiocese of Dublin, the combined dioceses of Dublin & Glendalough, and other key groups such as Scripture Union. (Dublin). Free event, starts at 7.30pm. Further information and free downloads and material on [www.bibleweek.ie](http://www.bibleweek.ie) and on [www.facebook.com/bibleweekie](http://www.facebook.com/bibleweekie)

### Book shop

Large selection of cards & gifts for all occasions available in the book shop.  
First Communion, Confirmation, Anniversaries, birthdays etc.  
Call in today and have a look around.  
Open before and after mass every Friday, Saturday & Sunday.



### PRACTISING MINDFULNESS

Further series of mindfulness with Anne O'Reilly  
Thursdays, 10, 17, 24, 31 May 2018  
Morning: 10.30 – 12 noon  
Evening: 7.30 – 9.00 pm  
Cost €60 Min: 12  
Booking Essential  
Contact (01) 7979364



### Iona Active Retirement

**Mon Bank Holiday** Outing start 10am check with Michael re meeting point. Enjoy the day  
**Tue 2.15 sharp to 4** Exercise with Colm. Don't worry even if u missed a day you can still catch up  
**Wed Morn** Knit & Knatter great progress  
**Wed 2 to 4.30** Cards. Bingo & cup of tea  
**Thurs morn** Meeting and guest speaker Michael Forde to tell us about Mindfulness - Looking forward to good turnout



'Let's Talk Family', concludes on the 9th May from 7.30-8.45pm in the Margaret Aylward Centre Wed 9th May: A Gospel of Hope for our Families. 'Let's Talk Family' is inspired by the letter of Pope Francis on The Joy of Love. The aim of the conversations is to contribute to a broader discussion within the Church on the reality of family life today. Refreshments will be served, and all are welcome. It is possible to attend on the individual evenings.



### Mass in preparation for Exams

We would like to invite all young people who are preparing for Exams or Assessments to a special mass on Sunday the 13th of May in Our Lady of Victories Church at 6:30 Music provided by the wonderful **OLV Gospel Choir.**

*Come Holy spirit, true source of light and all wisdom.  
Strengthen my intellect, send away my anxiety and worry that surrounds me at this exam time.  
Give to me, a penetrating mind to understand, a retentive memory, method and ease in learning, the clarity to comprehend, and abundant grace in expressing myself.  
Guide the beginning of my work direct its progress and bring it to successful completion. Amen*



Dominican College  
204 Griffith Avenue

Annual Plant Sale

Sunday 13th May  
9am to 3pm

A great selection of plants for sale

Plants sourced from a renowned nursery

Coffee Shop

Musical Entertainment

All welcome



**Volunteering for WMOF2018.** We continue to need volunteers who can give 2-4 days between 19th & 28th August. **Parishioners are encouraged to register in order to guarantee their ticket for the Festival of Families and the Final Mass.**



### Free Swimming Lessons

**Free Swim** for adults continues every Wednesday at 2pm in Sean McDermott Street Pool (beside Our Lady of Lourdes Church). Just turn up at 2pm. Any query ring Carol Finlay, Swim Ireland 0868384346