#### IONA ACTIVE RETIREMENT

A group set off on Thursday at 4 a.m. for Lake Garda in Italy.

Only two members turned up for recent outing They took the DART to Malahide. had lunch in the Grand Hotel and then got the bus via Portmarnock, Sutton Station and Swords to the Airport. At the Airport they got the number 16 bus back to Hollybank Road. They saw parts of Dublin and Fingal from the top of the bus that they never knew existed.

Thursday 10th December: Christmas lunch in the Maples at 12.30 p.m. €22 to Maureen Phelan.

Alzheimers Cafe Tuesday 29th Sep

Clareville Centre, Clareville Court. From 7-9pm tea/ coffee cakes. Guest speaker. Family, friends and carers All Welcome.

Writers Group
The Writers Group meet every Friday from
10:15am to 12:00.
Our First Booklet will be Launched soon.
New Writers Are Most Welcome

The late Mary Cummins of 33 Finglas Road was a most wonderful worker for all the parish fundraising activities. Her many friends and neighbours will be thrilled to learn that her grandson, twenty one year old Brian Fenton helped Dublin to victory last Sunday. and was declared Man of the Match.

November is traditionally a month for remembrance. This Irish Hospice Foundation event aims to provide information about grief and the range of supports available to be reaved people. Members of the public are invited to attend this free public event: Thursday, 5th November 5.30pm - 8.00pm Alexander Hotel, 41-47 Fenian Street.

### High jinks at the Addison

Last Friday Michael and Marjorie Chawke hosted a party in the Addison to celebrate the 40th birthday of their daughter Nora. A great night was had

Whitehall College FE - PLC (Post Leaving Certificate) Places still available on our IT, Business and Social Care courses. Contact: Ann O'Reilly on (01) 837 6011 or via email on info@whitehallcfe.cdetb.ie

Pre-enrolment forms for Scoil Mobhí N.S. Mobhi Road are now available from the school or online on www.scoilmobhi.ie for pupils due to begin in Junior Infants 2016. They will need to be submitted before the end of October 2015.



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.

Phone contact is Parish Office 01 8308257 or 087 6728761

Parish Office Opening Times and contact: Monday to Friday 09.30a.m. - 12.30p.m. Ph. 8308257 or email:saintcolumba@eircom.net





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Loving God, help us to continue on the path of conversion of heart and life. Help us to make those choices which will reflect our faith in you, loving, just and faithful God. Help us to see ourselves as you would wish us to be, in your own image and likeness.

### **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.

### **Mass Intentions**

The Church offers the sacrifice of the Mass, not only on the occasion of the funeral but also, as requested, on the Month's Mind and on anniversaries of the death. Our Saturday Vigil Mass is a shared Mass, several intentions sharing in the Mass. In order to facilitate parishioners requesting Month's Mind Masses and anniversary Masses, (especially the first anniversary), booking of a Mass intention can be made for the following 3 calendar months from the current date. Fr Paddy

Remembrance Service Notice The National Maternity Hospital will hold its Annual Remembrance Service on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> October at 3pm in the Church of St Andrew, Westland Row, Dublin 2. The Service is held in memory of babies who have died in the hospital through miscarriage, stillbirth or shortly after birth. Bereaved parents, their families, and friends are welcome to attend. Light refreshments will be served and there will be an opportunity to meet hospital staff members and other parents. No booking necessary, just come along on the day. Street parking is available in the vicinity of the church. If you would like any further information contact the Chaplaincy Department in the National Maternity Hospital at 01 6373121 or email chaplain@nmh.ie

**Parish Grouping Launch Mass** 

The Parish Grouping is being launched on Sunday 11th Oct by celebrating Mass in Our Lady of Victories, Ballymun Road at 3pm.

There will be representatives from each of the five parishes taking part in the Mass and all parishoners are welcome.

# St Columba's N.S. Jona Road Celebrating 90 years



On October 17th 2015, St. Columba's School, Iona Road, will mark the 90th. Anniversary of the opening of the school. Celebrations will

begin with Mass at 6.00pm in St. Columba's Church, Iona Road, followed by a celebration in the school hall. All past pupils are very welcome.

We would welcome any photographs from the 80's and earlier to add to our collection of school photos. (Photographs will be scanned and returned to their owners).

# **Iona Bible Group**

Iona Bible Group meets every Tuesday, at 10:15 am. In the ANNEX. We hope that this new time after morning Mass will suit more people. We meet for one hour and 15 mins. Do drop in and read I with us

## **Parish Mass Times and Mass Intentions** For week beginning 26th September 2015

Breda, Barry, Kate, Emily, & William Nyhan (A) 26th 6.00pm

27th 11.00am Joe & Margaret Harkins (A)

28th 9.30am

4th October

29th 9.30am Mass in the Monastery 30th 9.30am Mass in the Monastery 1st Oct 9. 30am Mass in the Monastery 2nd 9.30am Mass in the Monastery

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

# Monastery of St. Alphonsus Solemn Novena Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Tuesday 29th. September to Wednesday 7th. October 2015 Mass Times 9.30am and 8.00pm Preacher: Fr. Noel Keogh C.Ss.R.

**FAMILY OFFERING** The Family Offering is the Parish Collection and is the principal source of parish funds.

## Received in envelope contributions for week ending 20 September: €460.40

Parishioners may also contribute by Standing Orders through a bank, doing so on an annual, quarterly or monthly basis. The average weekly contributions through standing orders and which can be added to what is received in envelope contributions is €535.00. Many thanks.

## DATES TO REMEMBER

This weekend: National Eucharistic Congress at Knock. The theme, Christ, our

hope, reflects the theme of the 51st International Eucharistic

Congress to be held in Cebu, Philippines, January 2016.

22-27 September The 2015 World Meeting of Families takes place in Philadelphia,

with Pope Francis celebrating Mass this Sunday. Day for Life -Cherishing Life - Accepting Death.

In Rome, the Synod of Bishops on 'the vocation and mission of 4-25 October

the family in the Church and in the contemporary world.

Mission Sunday - Abundant Life. 18 October

Venerable Matt Talbot 90th Anniversary First Friday Novena Mass and prayers for healing. We pray especially for those suffering from any form of addiction, those in recovery, their families and the wider community affected by alcohol and drug misuse. In St. Agatha's Church, North William Street on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> October at 7.30 pm. All are welcome. For further information please visit www.matttalbot.ie