

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		
<u>Mass Times in the Monastery of St. Alphonsus</u>		
Monday to Friday	@ 5.45 pm.	Saturday morning @ 9.30 am.
	Sunday morning	9.30am.

MASS INTENTIONS for the coming week		
Sat. 18th	6.00pm	Dermot and Kathleen Kelly(A) Betty Bowers(A), Mary and Pat Dempse(A)
Sun. 19th	6.00pm	Eileen Conlan (month's mind), Robert Conlan (anniversary)

Thank you for your contribution to the **FAMILY OFFERING** the parish collection, amounting to **€617.12** last weekend. This is the amount received in weekly envelopes. An average weekly total of **€544.00** is also contributed by Standing Orders.

ACCORD ANNUAL COLLECTION
will be made at all Masses on next weekend of 18th & 19th February. The Collection for ACCORD will replace the usual Share Collection. ACCORD Dublin throughout the diocese offers **Marriage Preparation Courses, Counselling for couples and individuals experiencing difficulties in their relationships, and A Relationship and Sexuality Programme in Schools.** **ACCORD Dublin** needs your support. **Please give generously on 18th 19th February.**



Monastic Vocations Weekend
"If you still have not found what you are looking for" let the Red Nuns journey with you so you can find a deeper purpose in your life. You are under no pressure what so ever. Take your time and God will show you the way.
Starts: Friday, February 17th at 2:30pm
Ends: Sunday, February 19th at 1:00pm. Email Sr. Lucy at lucy.conway@redemptorists.ie



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: Monday to Friday 9.30am. - 12.30pm.
Ph: 8308257 or email saintcolumba@eircom.net

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Thought for the day

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In this section of the Sermon on the Mount Jesus proposes standards that go beyond external ways of behaviour but challenges how we feel in our hearts. When have you found that living out of inner conviction is more life-giving than keeping up appearances?
Jesus applies his teaching to feelings of anger and sexual desire. He suggests that if we do not keep an eye on our feelings and thoughts we will not be able to control our actions. Perhaps you have experienced the truth of this. For Jesus, persons with genuine authenticity do not need to swear an oath to be convincing. Their 'yes' or 'no' suffices.
Jesus insists that we go deeper than our external deeds. The important question is what is going on in our hearts, the source of inner thoughts and motivations?

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 MARGARET AYLWARD Centre
Lenten talks by Kieran O'Mahony, OSA.
Mondays @ 7.30 PM

'Prophets now and Prophets then' (February 27)
 'Reading a Prophet for living today' (March 6)
 Hosea: 'Justice and Love' (March 13)
 Jeremiah: 'The great Spiritual master' (March 27)
 Isaiah: 'The Suffering Servant Songs' (April 3)

As well as the above Lenten talks, the Centre also has the following upcoming events :

Centering Prayer with Fionnuala Quinn O.P.
 Living and Praying with Laudato Si with Evelyn Green CHF.
 Spring Sacred Dance Day with Barbara Perry CHF
 Practising Mindfulness with Dr. Anne O'Reilly
Further details for all events/workshops @ ph: 7979364 / mob: 087 664 9862



LENT



Saturday 11 Feb:
World Day of the Sick
Sunday 12 Feb:
Diocesan Celebration
with Mass and
Anointing of the Sick St
Gabriel's Church,
Dollymount, @ 3pm.
All are welcome.



The monthly collection for
 local Conference of the
 Society of St Vincent de Paul
 will take place after all masses this weekend.

Our Lady of Victories Parish
 with Glasnevin Parish Grouping
LOURDES PILGRIMAGE
 26 June- 1 July 2017
 Hotel Solitude (5 nights full board)
 €729 pps
 Spiritual Director: Fr Richard Sheehy
 Further details: Enda Falvey 087 257 5232



Café Columba on Sunday, 26th Feb. (Shrove Tuesday a bit early!!) after the 11am mass. Let's enjoy a cuppa with others and share some home-baking too before those '40 days of fasting'. We know Shrove Tuesday means pancakes, but instead of sharing pancakes we will have to be creative i.e. drop scones instead of pancakes or whatever you like to bake.



Construction of a new classroom to St Columba's School will commence this week. During the time of work the Crawford Avenue entrance to the Church grounds will not be accessible. Sorry for any inconvenience during the short period of construction.

IONA ACTIVE RETIREMENT

Tues: 14th Feb.- 2 to 4.30 pm:
Bridge - Open to all.

Wed: 15th Feb. -
10 to 12 noon:

Knit and Knatter -
 Sheila will help anyone
 interested in learning.



Also on Wed. 15th. -
2 to 4.30pm. Cards and
Bingo - with many prizes.



Life to the Full' Book Club: Join
other young adults each week to
 meditate, share and discuss life,
 faith, purpose & how to live life to
 the full. We read a chosen spiritual
 book over a few weeks and come
 to reflect and discuss our
 thoughts. Every Thursday 7.00-
 8.30pm, St Paul's Church Arran
 Quay (Smithfield).

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www.facebook.com/
lifetothefullbookclub

Ewe Thina: We Walk God's Way.
Want to get fit? Embrace God in
 nature and build true friendships?
Join other young adults (20's &
 30's) for reflective hikes around
 Dublin area. Monthly event.

Contact
siobhan.tighe@dublindiocese.ie
https://www.facebook.com/
wewalkgodsway



LEARN IRISH SIGN LANGUAGE



Why wait? Start TODAY!

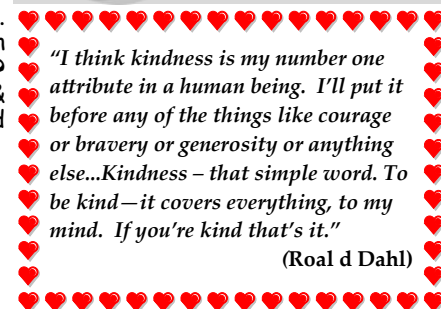
Irish Sign Language classes are QQI
 accredited (QQI FETAC 3) and are
 taught by qualified ISL teachers.
Cabra classes begin Wednesday 15th
 of February in **Cabra Library**
 from 11am to 12.30pm and last for 15
 weeks. **These classes are suitable**
for complete beginners.

Contact
islclasses@irishdeafsociety.ie or ph:
086 380 7033



Saturday
20th May

Michael Chawke is
 planning his usual
 pilgrimage to Lough
 Derg. Early book-
 ing is essential.
You may contact
Michael at
087 244 1119.



"I think kindness is my number one
 attribute in a human being. I'll put it
 before any of the things like courage
 or bravery or generosity or anything
 else...Kindness - that simple word. To
 be kind - it covers everything, to my
 mind. If you're kind that's it."

(Roald Dahl)

Happy Valentine's Day to everyone.
us to celebrate St. Valentine's Day!
 the preparations for World Meeting of Families in Ireland in
 August 2018, we invite you to check out the WMOF2018 website:
www.worldmeeting2018.ie for ideas on how to mar this special day.



Pope Francis invites
 This is why, as part of