Rounders Club 1st practice session of 2016

Na Fianna GAA Club Saturday 27th February 2016 On the back pitch in Na Fianna, Mobhi Road For more information contact Ronan Gately on 086 8289296 All Welcome





Experienced Flute, Clarinet and theory teacher. Keen rates. Contact Caroline on: <u>0857487780</u> or <u>carmcm@gmail.com</u>

My name is Niamh Aspell and I am a Nutritionist and Postgraduate Research Scholar based in the Trinity Centre for Health Sciences in St. James's Hospital, Co.Dublin.. I am currently conducting a research study as part of my PhD that looks at vitamin D supplementation and its role in brain health. We are looking to recruit 80 physically active older adults, aged over 60, who are living in the community. We will be recruiting between now and July of 2016. If you are interested in finding out more, please email Ms. Niamh Aspell, RN, Irish Research Council Postgraduate Candidate, at niamha@tcd.ie or call 0852114649

Mindfulness Days for a Healthy Mind, Body & Spirit

Venue: Ruah Retreat Centre Time: 10.30 - 13.00 on 13th and 27th Feb.

Bring a yoga mat and blanket. €25 per day. Tea & coffee inc. for Booking and queries Contact Kay Murphy on 085 1094553. www.aframeofmind.org

Irish Group Pilgrimage to the shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham, Norfolk, England's National Shrine of Our Lady.

Friday 22nd April to Tuesday 26th April 2016. (4 nights full board €495.00)
The National Shrine of Our Lady being a place of pilgrimage will be one of the venues where there will be a Holy Year Door.

The Shrine is preparing itself to receive many more pilgrims for the Holy Year. Focus will be on the Spiritual and Corporal Works of Mercy.

Pilgrims make their own air travel arrangements on designated Ryanair flights.

Details from Patricia Murray 087 970 8927 / Margaret Golden 086 855 4665 Curchtown Parish



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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In the Nazareth synagogue Jesus proclaims a time of healing and freedom

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

Catholic Schools Week 2016 will run from Sunday 31st January to Saturday 6th February. The theme for 2016 is 'Catholic Schools: Challenged to Proclaim God's Mercy'. A Mass will also be broadcast by RTÉ on Sunday 31 January to celebrate both Catholic Schools Week and the new *Grow in Love* religious education programme for primary schools. Students from Mount Mercy College, Cork, as well as pupils from Saint Pius X primary school in Templeogue, Dublin, will participate in this special liturgy.

http://www.catholicbishops.ie/2016/01/05/resources-for-catholic-schools-week-2016/

The Annual Conference of the World Day of the Sick 2016 will take place on Sat. 6th Feb. from 10am to 1pm at the Talbot Hotel, Stillorgan Road, Speakers include Archbishop Diarmuid Martin, Bishop Donal Murray and Professor J. Bernard Walsh, who will reflect on the Lourdes experience. For further information please contact Trish Conway on 087 6220349. The Mass of Healing and Anointing of the Sick is on Sun.7th Feb.at 3pm in Our Lady Queen of Peace Church, Merrion Rd.

Main Celebrant: Archbishop Diarmuid Martin. All are welcome to attend.

An updated version of the World Day of the Sick Diocesan Prayer Book: - 'I Am With You' (Psalm 90) has been published for those experiencing suffering and illness, and for carers of those who are facing sickness it can be used for personal prayer on many occasions - in parish - at home - in hospital - etc. Additional copies of the prayer book are available from :Ms Sheila Pyne, Archbishop's House, Tel: 01 8373732, Ext.

116 and from Veritas.

Pilgrimage to Medugorje

Monday 2nd May to Monday 9th May.

Contact: Clare Conlan 087 2192640

Lough Derg Saturday 14th May, Michael Chawke is having his annual one day pilgrimage to Lough Derg. Breakfast on the way down and dinner on the way back is taken in the Kilmore Hotel Cavan. Booking is always heavy so it is essential to book your place now. Contact Michael at 304 365

Iona Active Retirement

Monday 25th Jan: A member of the committee will be in the Maples Hotel from 10.30 a.m. to 2.0 p.m. This will enable any member who wishes to have morning coffee to come at 10.30 . Those who come later may have soup/ sandwich or lunch.

Wed. 27th Jan: Committee meeting after Morn Mass in room at back of sacristy.

Mon. 29th Feb: Seven Oaks Hotel, Carlow 3 b & b & d €149.00 pps. Single room €15 per night extra. Book by phoning Ashling 059913 13 08 Transport by minibus from the church to Heuston and onwards by afternoon train.

Parish Mass Times and Mass Intentions

Mass intentions for week commencing Saturday 23rd January 2016 Sunday morning Mass @ 9.45am in Glasnevin Cemetery (Finglas Rd)

Sat.	23rd	6.00pm	Frank O'Doherty (A) Michael Chawke (A)
			Barry & Ita Stephens (A) Denis Boland (A)

Sun. 24th 11.00am Bridget Kelly (A)

Mon. 25th 9.30am -

Tue. 26th 9.30am Michael & Nora Salter (A)

Wed. 27th 9.30am -

Thur. 28th 9.30am James & Bridget Faherty (A)

Fri. 29th 11.00am -

Sat 30th 6.00pm Brian T. Mooney (A)

Sun 31st 11.00am Pearse McQuillan (A)

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

FAMILY OFFERING

We thank you for your contribution to the <u>FAMILY OFFERING</u> the parish collection, amounting to €1639.60 last weekend. (This is the amount received in weekly envelopes; an average weekly total of €535.00 is also contributed by Standing Order).

Many thanks.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Monday 18th January to Monday 25th. January Pope Francis reflected on the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity during his general audience catechesis. Catholics, Protestants, and Orthodox celebrate the event at the same time. During this Week of Prayer, let us ask the Lord to help all Christians to grow in that unity which is greater than what divides us. Together, may we respond to his call to share with others, especially with the poor and forgotten of our world, the gift of divine mercy which we ourselves have received.

Pope Francis

Meditation Group

The Meditation Group will meet on Wednesday 27th January 2016 St. Alphonsus' Monastery Time: 7.30 - 8.15pm New people are most welcome.

IONA 2015

A booklet is being prepared which gives details of the main events in the parish during 2015. It will be available in the Parish Bookshop weekend of the 7th February. The cost is €2 which will go to Parish funds via the Bookshop account. It would be a most suitable gift to send to former parishioners who live abroad for St. Patrick's Day.