


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.		

The following are the Mass Intentions for the coming week

	Sat.	16th	6.00pm	Mary & Michael O'Sullivan (A)
				Eamon & Seamus Ryan (A)
				Bridie Conway (A)
	Tue.	19th	9.30am	Sadie Chawke (A)
	Thur.	21st	9.30am	Mary Finucane (A)
	Fri.	22nd	9.30am	Dermot Ryan (A)
	Sat.	23rd	6.00pm	Alice Lacy (A) Eileen Cooper (A)
	Sun.	24th	11.00am	Remembrance Maeve Ward

St Columba's Church, Iona Road, Christmas 2017 TIMETABLE

24 December Christmas Eve	6.00 p.m. and 9.00 p.m.
25 December Christmas Day	Mass 9.45 a.m. (Glasnevin Cemetery Chapel)
	Mass 11.00
Tuesday, 26 December	Mass 11.00 a.m. (St Alphonsus Monastery)
27th/28th/29th/30th December	Mass 11.00 a.m. (St Alphonsus Monastery)

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE Advent Reconciliation Service

Monday 18 December 7.30 p.m. Our Lady of Dolour's Church
 Wednesday, 20 December 7.30 p.m. Our Mother of Divine Grace Church
 Confessions in St. Columba's Church: Saturday, 23 December 12.00 - 1.00 p.m.

Thank you for your contribution to the **FAMILY OFFERING** the parish collection, amounting to **€664.00 last weekend**. This is received in weekly envelopes.
 An average weekly total of **€544.00** is also contributed by S/Orders.



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

PARISH LINK

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17th December 2017

Gaudete Sunday 3rd Sunday in Advent



So John said, 'I am, as Isaiah prophesied:
a voice that cries in the wilderness:
Make a straight way for the Lord'.

'I baptise with water; but there stands among you - unknown to you - the one who is coming after me; and I am not fit to undo his sandal-strap'.

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.



INVITATION TO ALL CHILDREN ON CHRISTMAS EVE

At the 6.00pm Mass on Christmas Eve we invite all children to come dressed as **Angels or Shepherds** to help carry the Baby Jesus to the Crib. Treats after Mass!

The Spirit of Christmas Concert in the National Concert Hall with St. Mary's Pro Cathedral Girls' Choir on Thursday 21st December at 1.05pm. Conductors, Bláinid Murphy & Amy Ryan, Accompanist, David Grealy. Favourite carols and seasonal music featuring all the traditional favourites. Tickets €15, concessions €12.

Saint Columba's National School, Iona Road

Applications are being taken for girls for Junior Infants beginning next September 2018. Please phone the school secretary any school day morning (Phone 8305040) between 9 a.m. and 2.30 p.m. for a Pre-Enrolment Form.

Interested parents should also note that we may have a limited number of vacancies for girls in some of the classes from Senior Infants to Sixth Class.

School website is www.stcolumbaionard.net



Join us this Sunday evening for

'Christmas' in Song and Word

(A selection of Christmas music and readings)

With

The People's College Choir

The children of

St. Columba's N.S

And

Eoin Tierney - Organist

Sunday 17th December 2017

5.00pm to 6.00pm

(admission free)

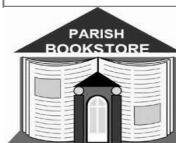


Welcome all GRANDPARENTS

'The joy of Grandparents'

Gaudete Sunday – 17th December

As part of our parish participation in the lead up to the World Meeting of Families (WMOF), we celebrate today the gift of all Grandparents here in our parish. Grandparents play a pivotal role in the lives of their grandchildren and we welcome all Grandparents to the **11 am Mass this weekend on Gaudete Sunday**. There will be a special blessing for Grandparents and **Seasonal treats after Mass!**



Parish Shop Visit our Parish pop-up shop every week-end Located beside the main entrance Beautiful selection of Christmas Cards, Gifts, Calendars, & Diary's. Open before & after Mass, every Friday, Saturday & Sunday.

St. Vincent de Paul Christmas Cards available in the Shop pack of 12 cards for €5.00

Active Retirement Activities winding down.

Knit&Knatter and Bridge will restart

9th and 10th January 2018

Weather permitting monthly meeting on **Thursday 11 January**.

Wishing all a healthy, peaceful Christmas and New Year.



An Evening of Carols and Reflections: The Dublin Diocesan Music Group is hosting a wonderful evening of Christmas song and reflection on Monday 18th December at 8pm in the Monastery of Alphonsus, St. Alphonsus Road,.

All donations in aid of Child Vision (National Education Centre for Blind Children). www.rednuns.com

Anam Cara, the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding its next monthly Parent Evening on Wednesday 20th of December from 19:30 to 21:00 in the Carnegie Court Hotel, Swords, Co. Dublin. This event is open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether the death was recent or not.

The **St. Vincent de Paul Society** would like to thank all most sincerely for their contributions to the Annual Collection held last weekend which raised **€3085.00**

There will be a Prayer Service to welcome in the New Year in Our Lady of Dolours church on Sunday 31st December at 11.30 p.m.

ALL WELCOME

