


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	Tuesday 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.	17th	6.00pm	St Patricks Day
	Sun.	18th	11.00am	Anne Kelly (Months Mind)
	Mon.	19th	11.00am	Mass in St Alphonsus Monastery
	Tue.	20th	9.30am	Peter & Ann Lenehan (A)
	Wed.	21st	9.30am	Deceased members of Heffernan and Rickaby Families
	Thur.	22nd	9.30am	
	Fri.	23rd	9.30am	
	Sat.	24th	6.00pm	
	Sun.	25th	11.00am	Palm Sunday

Thank you for your contribution to the **FAMILY OFFERING** the parish collection, amounting to **€568 last weekend**. This is received in weekly envelopes. An average weekly total of **€544.00** is also contributed by S/Orders.

Ballymun Guild ICA
Oíche Ghaelach - Irish Night
Déardaoin 22 Márta 2018 8pm
At Na Fianna GAA Club,
St Mobhi Road
Ceol agus Rince Comhrá agus Tae
Fáilte roimh chách - Everyone welcome
Cead istach – Entrance - €5

Free Swim Lessons for adults every Wed @ 2pm in Sean McDermott Street Swimming Pool (beside Our Lady of Lourdes Church). Just turn up at 2pm. Any enquiry to Carol Finlay, Swim Ireland 086 8384346.

Lough Crew Pilgrimage
Visit Lough Crew, Oldcastle / Kells with Tony Malone Pilgrimage, on Saturday, 24th March, 2018.
Pick up at No 9 Bus Stop at 8:40am at Prospect Avenue.
Mass at 10:00am in Ashbourne.
Lough Crew is Birthplace of Saint Oliver Plunkett.
Visit local Gardens.
Ring Tony at 087-9526337



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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Fifth Sunday of Lent

Unless a grain
of wheat
falls to the
earth
and dies
It remains
just a
grain
of wheat




*This weekend 17/18 Mar, the annual collection for **CROSSCARE YOUTH SERVICES** - social support agency of the diocese takes place and replaces the normal Share collection. Crosscare's mission is to provide innovation and relevant services to those most in need. For us, those 'most in need' are people who are unable to reach their potential because they have complex and multiple needs, experience a high degree of social isolation and marginalisation and/or find it difficult or impossible to access appropriate services and supports. Despite challenging financial times Crosscare are targeting our youth work resources and efforts to those most in need in the community.*

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, the Dublin diocesan website and the Bishop's Conference website, on Facebook and Twitter.

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.

Date for the Diary
Saturday, April 14th
Not to be missed !
Mad Hatter's Afternoon
Tea Party ..
Details to follow.



World Meeting of Families Project Ethiopia



As you now know, the Glasnevin Grouping have undertaken to bring over 2 families and 2 priests from Ethiopia for the World Meeting of Families. As mentioned we have to raise funds to do this. There is a lot of help needed to make this project work so if anyone would like to help out in any way, please let us know by emailing the Grouping email @ glasnevingroupingwmof@gmail.com.

The Annual
Iona Magazine
"IONA 2017" is on
sale in the Parish
Bookshop.
Well worth it for
€2.

Drama at the Jesuit Church, Gardiner Street HOLY WEEK

Mon 26, Tue 27, and Wed 28 @ 8.00pm
 Sean Walsh and drama group will perform his play
 A Veil for Veronica,
 Set against the backdrop of the first Good Friday
 Admission free. All welcome

Group walks continue in CLG Na Fianna Mobhí Rd. every Monday @ 7pm

Our Lady of Dolours Church These Three Days: a Holy Week Journey
Monday 19th March: Holy Thursday - *Why is this Night so Special? Because we do this in Memory of...* Fr. Paul Hampson, Chaplain, DCU (St. Patrick Campus)
Tuesday 20th March: Good Friday - *Re-understanding God: a Personal Journey* Fr. Alan Hilliard, Head of Chaplaincy Service, DIT.
Wednesday 21st March: Easter - *Breaking through to the Real - we are an Easter people* Jane Mellett, Parish Pastoral Worker, Cherry Orchard/ Ballyfermot.

his series of short reflections on the central days of Holy Week is an initiative of the Glasnevin Grouping of parishes. Each talk will take place in Our Lady of Dolours Church at 7.30pm, and will be preceded by sung evening prayer.



ST VINCENT DE PAUL SUNSHINE HOUSE COLLECTION The annual collection in aid of St Vincent de Paul Sunshine House will be held at all Masses next weekend, Saturday 24th and Sunday 25th March. The Sunshine Fund has been operating its holiday centre for children, Sunshine House Balbriggan, on a voluntary basis for over 70 years. All proceeds from the collection go to support the holiday programme for boys and girls between 7 and 11 who are nominated by the network of SVP Conferences across the greater Dublin area. Your continued support next week would be so much appreciated.

Can you help?

An Easter letter will be sent to parishioners and will include a copy of the times for the Holy Week and Easter liturgies.

We are also including the Easter Dues envelope and an acknowledgement of contributions to the Family Offering and Christmas and Easter Dues received in 2017.

We rely on a great group of helpers to distribute these Easter envelopes but **more help would be very welcome. If you can help with the distribution on your road or a particular road, please speak to the people at the back of the Church at the end of Mass.** The bundle of Easter envelopes for that road will be available for collection.




Women's World Day of Prayer

'All God's Creation is Very Good'
 Margaret Alyward Centre
 for Faith and Dialogue
 Postponed 2 March because of snow
 has been rescheduled for
 Thursday 22 March 2018 at 7.15pm

Study Liturgy at
 The National Centre for Liturgy, St
 Patrick's College, Maynooth
 Liturgy Courses
 Masters, Higher Diploma and Diploma
 Contact 01 708 3478
 email liturgy@spcm.ie
www.liturgy-ireland.ie

Discussion on **THE POWER OF THE SIGN OF THE CROSS** Wednesday, 28th March 2018 7.00pm St Alphonsus Monastery All Welcome *The Patrician Discussion Group is organised by the Legion of Mary, Iona Road Parish.*

Can you help?
 A clean up of the church will take place for Easter on Saturday 24 March 1.30pm – 3.30pm



Meditation Venue St Alphonsus' Monastery Wed 21st March @7.30 - 8.15pm
 Anyone who would like a short period of quiet meditation is very welcome

Active Retirement

Mon: 19th Mar. Outing to Maynooth after Mass in Monastery
 Tues: 20th Mar. 2.15pm to 4pm - Exercise programme with Noel going well
 Wed: 14th Mar. 10pm to 12 - Knit and Knatter and 2pm to 4.30pm. Cards and Bingo
 Sun 29th April trip to **Knock House Hotel 3 Nights**
 B&B & Dinner no single supplement. To book phone.
 0949388088 Mention Iona Active Retirement
 Next Meeting Thur 12th April

