

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
Mass Times in the Monastery of St. Alphonsus
 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. 14th: 6.00pm Johanna Heslin (Months Mind) Eileen Kevin and John Butler (A) Lilly Gilmartin (A), Patrick Fitzsimons (A), Helen Gannon (A), Martina Doyle (A) Margaret & Michael Durkan(A)
Fri 20th: 9.30am May Caffrey (**Birthday**)
Sat. 21st: 6.00pm John MacGuill (Months Mind), Joe, Kathleen and Dermot Scully (A), Elizabeth Boland (A)

Thank you for your contribution to the parish **FAMILY OFFERING** collection, amounting to €825.00 **last weekend**. This is received in weekly envelopes. An average weekly total of **€544.00** is also contributed by S/Orders.

Next Sunday is Good Shepherd Sunday, a day of prayer for vocations. The annual collection for the support of students preparing for priesthood in Dublin takes place, replacing Share collection.

The Palm Sunday collection in aid of the St. Vincent de Paul Sunshine House raised €1,500.

Your continued support for the fund is greatly appreciated.



Many thanks to all who helped with the Easter liturgies, beginning with those who supplied the palms, readers, ministers of communion, those who helped through music, servers, sacristans, flower society, liturgy group, Easter Fire, Easter Garden.



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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'So you see how it is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that, in his name, repentance for the forgiveness of sins would be preached to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses to this.'

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. Copies are also available at the back of the church.

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.

GLASNEVIN GROUPING OF PARISHES PRESENTS

A Celebration of Belonging

To celebrate the World Meeting of Families (WMOF), an evening of music and reflection will take place in **Our Mother of Divine Grace Church, Ballygall, on Friday 20th April at 7.30pm.**



It will be led by Sr. Marie Dunne CHF and choral friends.

A collection will take place to support families in Ethiopia on behalf of the Glasnevin grouping of parishes. For more information see Church notice-board. **ALSO GLASNEVIN GROUPING OF PARISHES INVITES YOU TO**

a series of three conversations - **Let's talk Family! Let's be Family! -**

Amoris
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based upon themes in Pope Francis's **The Joy of Love** in preparation for the **World Meeting of Families**. Each evening will involve watching a short video piece on a theme, followed by



Gerry & Mary Bolger
will host a
COFFEE MORNING
@ 14 Iona Villas

On Saturday 21st April
11.00 a.m – 2.00 p.m

to raise funds in support of AIDLINK.
Conor (grandson) will take part in
St. Mary's College C.S.Sp.
Ghana Immersion Project 2018

This is SHARE APPEAL SUNDAY

"To make the parish of the future a reality, we need to constantly develop new ways of working together, sharing resources and expressing solidarity. **SHARE** is crucial in enabling a better future for all. Your contributions to Share will ensure that we meet all our responsibilities while prioritising working together for mission"
Archbishop Diarmuid Martin

FIRST COMMUNIONS



First Communion

**Mass at 10.00
and 12.00 next
Saturday, 21st
April.**

You wouldn't think it but..... Fr. Paddy will celebrate the Golden Jubilee of his ordination on **May 26th**. Archbishop Martin will celebrate the **6.00p.m. Mass** that evening here in Iona. After the mass there will be refreshments in the school hall. All welcome to join in the celebrations!

Parish Pastoral Council

Hi Parents!



Athletics

Iona Area Athletics will take place on Wednesday 18th April in Santry (Morton) Stadium at 5.15pm sharp (over by 7pm latest):

If your child qualifies for Dublin Finals, child needs to be available on Sat 9th June (and possibly Sun 10th June)

Events: U8 60m & 80m; U10 100m, 200m & 60m Hurdles; U12 100m, 600m, Ball Throw & Long-puck (boys); U14 100m, 800m, 80m hurdles, Long-jump, Javelin, Shot-putt & Long-puck (girls); U16 100m, 200m, 1,500m, Discus and High-jump

Please advise exact events in which your child wishes to compete, child's name and provide date of birth and address. **For some reason in previous years parents tend to submit child's details very late and sometimes right up to the last minute** - this is very unhelpful in trying to co-ordinate all the events that must take place within 1 hr 45 mins on the night **so please, please submit details asap (to this email address or to myself at 086-8289296).** To be U8 child must not reach age of 8 before 1st August 2018 and similar cut-offs for other age groups

Volunteers: Volunteers are needed to help run the above Athletics events smoothly on the night - please let me know asap if you can lend a hand.

Spread the Word: Please spread the word to anyone you feel may not be on my contact list, new to the area, children only now hitting age 6 etc.

New Organisers: After a very enjoyable/ rewarding 5 years, I'll be stepping down from running Community Games in the Iona Area over the coming year. Therefore, to ensure your children get to continue to enjoy the many events that Community Games has to offer, could I ask that someone please step forward to take on this role. Don't rely on someone else - *if not now, then when; if not you, then who?*

**Iona Active Retirement
16/17/18April**

Monday: 2pm to 4.30pm
Bridge all welcome.

Tuesday: 2.15pm to 4pm
Easy Exercise - it is not too late to join.

Wednesday Morning: Knit & Knatter. Then 2pm to 4.30pm. Cards and Bingo - prizes to be won.

Next week we will have news on plans for outings during Summer .



On Monday 16th April at 8.00 p.m.

Fr. Pat O'Donoghue is bringing the Dublin Diocesan Music Group to the **Monastery of St. Alphonsus** for an evening of reflection and music on **The Hospitality of Abraham and Rublev's Icon of the Trinity.**



Meditation - Wednesday 18th

Time - 7.30 - 8.15

Venue - St Alphonsus

Monastery. All welcome.



Free Swimming Lessons/Free Swim for adults continues every Wednesday at 2pm in Sean McDermott Street Pool (beside Our Lady of Lourdes Church). Just turn up at 2pm. Any query ring Carol Finlay, Swim Ireland 0868384346