

*“Diabetes Ireland invites you to hop on your bicycle this June 21 (Limerick) or June 22 (Dublin) and cycle to Change Diabetes. Distance options of 25km family fun cycle, 60km route & 100km route available on each day. Full details at [www.diabetes.ie](http://www.diabetes.ie) or lo-call 1850 909 909”*

**Ecumenical Bible Week:** Takes place in the week June 8th-15th, starting on Pentecost Sunday. This new initiative, involving all the main churches, is a different kind of celebration. It is not a congress or an assembly but a series of events which will move around Dublin and the wider area. With a highly ecumenical engagement, this new initiative has great potential for the coming together of Christians from all backgrounds around the Word of God which we all share. The Ecumenical Bible Week is a direct fruit of the International Eucharistic Congress of 2012. If it proves a success, it may well become an annual happening. The churches and movements so far involved are: Scripture Union, the Evangelical Alliance, the Orthodox Church, the Church of Ireland, the Catholic Church, the Methodist Church and the Presbyterian Church. See schedule attached and check out [www.bibleweek.com](http://www.bibleweek.com)

**A Song for South Sudan:** St. Oliver Plunkett’s Parish is hosting An Evening of Music in aid of the Holy Faith Sisters’ Mission in South Sudan on Friday, 13<sup>th</sup> June in St. Oliver Plunkett’s Parish Church, Rivermount, Finglas. Featuring the St. John of God Choir and friends including Patrica Bourke D’Souza, Alan Hynes, Linda Ledwidge. Tickets are available from Marie on 087-23370221 or from the Margaret Aylward Centre for Faith and Dialogue, Glasnevin Tel: 01 7979364 (Suggested donation €10).



Please visit St. Columba’s Parish website at [www.ionaroadparish.ie](http://www.ionaroadparish.ie) and email your comments, good news stories and special parish events to [info@ionaroadparish.ie](mailto:info@ionaroadparish.ie)

Items for the Parish Link can be e-mailed to [parishlink@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto:saintcolumba@eircom.net)**

# PARISH LINK

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**FAMILY  
FUN DAY**

**NEXT SUNDAY  
8TH JUNE**

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

We are urgently looking for help if you can bake a cake, make a salad, help out on stalls or help with any of the tasks needed for a great Family Day.

please contact :

**John O’Connor at 087 2999244**

or email

**[ionafunday@gmail.com](mailto:ionafunday@gmail.com)**

**TODAY**



**Join up with the rest of us  
volunteers—we promise you will  
have great craic!**



**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.*

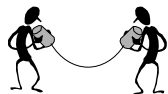
**The 48th World Day of Social Communications** will be celebrated on Sunday 1 June 2014, the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord and the Sunday before Pentecost on the theme 'Communication at the Service of an Authentic Culture of Encounter'.



In his message for World Communications Day Pope Francis asks: "How, then, can communication be at the service of an authentic culture of encounter? What does it mean for us, as

disciples of the Lord, to encounter others in the light of the Gospel? In spite of our own limitations and sinfulness, how do we draw truly close to one another? These questions are summed up in what a scribe – a communicator – once asked Jesus: "And who is my neighbour?" (Lk 10:29). This question can help us to see communication in terms of "neighbourliness". We might

paraphrase the question in this way: How can we be "neighbourly" in our use of the communications media and in the new environment created by digital technology? I find an answer in the parable of the Good Samaritan, which is also a parable about communication. Those who communicate, in effect, become neighbours. The Good Samaritan not only draws nearer to the man he finds half dead on the side of the road; he takes responsibility for him. Jesus shifts our understanding: it is not just about seeing the other as someone like myself, but of the ability to make myself like the other. Communication is really about realizing that we are all human beings, children of God. I like seeing this power of communication as "neighbourliness".



"All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore, make disciples of all the nations; baptise them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teach them to observe all the commands I gave you. And know that I am with you always; yes, to the end of time."

The monthly meeting of Neighbourhood Watch will take place on Tuesday 3rd June at 8p.m. sharp in The Maples Hotel, Iona Road. All residents in the area welcome to attend and learn of criminal activity/anti social behaviour etc in our area during the month of May.



Iona Active Retirement Mystery 10.30 a.m

**Fully booked**

tour leaving church at

**Parish Mass Times and Mass Intentions**

Saturday (Vigil)	6.00pm:	John Mahony (A)
Sunday 1st June	11.00am:	Maureen & Tom Frost (A)
Tuesday 3rd June	9.30am	Jack & Rose Hodgers (A)
Thursday 5th June	9.30am	Maureen & Tom Frost (A)
Friday 6th June	9.30am	Altar list of the Dead.

**Also Sunday** morning mass @ 9.45am in Glasnevin Cemetery (Finglas Rd)

**Daily mass** Monday to Friday @ 9.30 am

**Baptisms.** For all baptisms please contact Sr. Bridget through the **Parish Office @ 830 8257**

**Mass Times in the Monastery of St. Alphonsus**

**Monday to Friday @ 5.45 pm. : Saturday morning @ 9.30 am. and**

**Sunday morning @ 9.30am.**

Parish Contributions for weeks commencing ,  
2014 was **€ Thank You.**

There will be exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after 9.30am and mass from 10am to 11.00am on Friday 5th June. All Welcome.

Lectio Devina continues every Thursday morning at 9.10.am and every Sunday at 10.30am